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#### Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to our Star of the Week winners from each class. The class teacher chooses one child each week who has demonstrated one or more of our core values of: courage, humility, wisdom, compassion and perseverance. Last week the winners were:

Little Owl Jack
Kestrel Savannah
Sparrowhawk Isabella
Buzzard Emily

#### **Building Work**

Our decarbonisation work with the diocese is due to start immediately after the children break up for summer and is scheduled to conclude in the days before they return in September. As part of the work the windows in the old Sparrowhawk classroom will be replaced and upgraded. To get the most out of this, we will be refurbishing the whole of the old classroom and the small room adjacent to it. This work will start on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The builders will again be based in the school car park so spaces will be limited. Their main point of entrance will be via Little Owls' garden.

By completing this work now, it means that all of the classes will start September 2025 in a new room to how they started 2024. Kestrels will move into the old Sparrowhawk classroom and Little Owls will move into Kestrels current room. Current Little Owls classroom will be used for interventions, group work and meetings.

#### New Vicar

Yesterday, it was announced that Canon Martin Poll will be taking on the parish of Bury, Coldwaltham, Hardham and Houghton from 2026. Martin is currently Domestic Chaplain to His Majesty the King, having previously been appointed in the same role to Her Majesty the Queen.

### Movie Night (Little Owls and Kestrels)

Movie Night is taking place this Friday from 5-7pm. A reminder to purchase tickets from FOBS if you have not done so already. The film is Tangled (PG). Don't forget to bring your cuddly!





### Staffing for 25/26

There are going to be some staffing changes as we move into 25/26. Mrs Seymour will be moving out of class as she supports some other local small schools with their Special Educational Needs, initially until June 2026. Mrs Seymour will be on site with us on Thursdays and Fridays. The only way we could facilitate this was by securing an excellent class teacher to join our teaching team. I am therefore delighted to say that Mrs Barnes will be joining us on a formal basis from September.

The classes and their teachers will be as follows:

Little Owls Miss Webb

Kestrels Miss Willett (Mon - Thurs) and Mrs Gammon (Fri)

Sparrowhawks Mrs Barnes

Buzzards Mrs Braun

The children will meet their new teachers on July  $2^{nd}$  as part of the common transition day (when Yr 6 visit their secondary schools).

### PE and Bury Rangers

Please ensure your child has a pair of wellies or outdoor boots that can be worn just for the Bury Rangers session – they will need another pair of shoes for the rest of the day.

A reminder of what children should be wearing for PE Kit:

#### PE Kit:

Green Bury T-shirt, black shorts (tracksuits may be worn for outside lessons), plimsolls or trainers. Plus shin pads and mouth-guards for Sparrowhawks and Buzzards

Children to attend school in PE kit or Bury Rangers clothes for the relevant days\* as follows:

	Bury Rangers	PE
Monday		
Tuesday	Little Owls, Kestrels	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
Thursday		
Friday	Buzzards	





\*There will of course be times when these days need to change and we will give as much notice as possible

#### **Diary Dates**

I will try to give you as much notice as possible about forthcoming events at school. We will try not to change dates and times, but sometimes we do need to due to circumstances beyond our control.

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Wednesday June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Leavers at Chichester Cathedral, 10.30am
Friday June 27 <sup>th</sup> 5-7pm	FOBS Kestrels and Little Owls Movie Night
Wednesday July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Transition Day
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Camp
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July please note change of start time	13:30 KS2 production to parents (children welcome)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	18:00 KS2 production to parents (Sparrowhawk Parents)
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	18:00 KS2 Production to Parents (Buzzard Parents)
Friday July 11 <sup>th</sup> Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Diversity Day (including 14:30 pianist performance)
Tuesday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	FOBS Lego Day
Tuesday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	Reports out
Thursday July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Leavers' Assembly (Yr 6 parents welcome) 14:30
Friday July 18 <sup>th</sup>	School Walk
Monday 21st July	INSET 4
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	INSET 5
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	INSET 1 (25/26)
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Children return to school
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	SPLASH assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Buzzards Hindleap Residential
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parent's Evening
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	INSET 2 (25/26)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Christmas Carol Theatre Performance to school
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	SPLASH Assembly
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Singing to the village
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET 3 (25/26)
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	SPLASH Assembly
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	SPLASH Assembly
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 National Assessments
(TBC) Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET 4 (25/26)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	INSET 5 (25/26)
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#### **Birthdays**

Children can wear their own clothes for the day (or a day either side of the holiday) when it is their birthday. Please do not send the children in with cakes or sweets to share. In its place, we thought that instead of sweets it would be a good idea to buy a book for the school/class. The children then present the book to the school in assembly before placing it in our school library (although most ask for it to be shared in their class first). Please do inscribe a message in the book so that it keeps reminding the child of their birthday every time either they, or a friend.







borrow the book. The link below is an Amazon wish list where the staff and children have selected some books that they would like for school.

### Birthday Book wish list

Please do not feel constrained by the list, nor feel you have to get them through Amazon —locally we have great bookshops in Arundel and Petworth both of which have a very good selection of children's books. It is also great to receive a book chosen by your child because it is something they are particularly interested in.

Please do add your views to <a href="https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/">https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/</a>. It is incredibly helpful to us for you to share the positives of what is going on at Bury CE Primary; if you have the time and would like to share the good work we are doing then please do add your feedback. Excerpt below taken from ParentView website.

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about your child's school, from the quality of teaching to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected.

We will use the information you provide when making decisions about which schools to inspect and when.

Click 'Give your views' to register and complete a survey to help your child's school improve.

It is parents' responsibility to inform the school of any changes to consent to administer medicine.

It is parents' responsibility to keep us informed of changes to your personal data and where the school process personal data solely on the basis that you have consented to the processing, you have the right to withdraw that consent.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore, Headteacher