



Bury C.E. Primary School



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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:

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| Little Owl | Eleanor |
| Kestrel | Elliot |
| Sparrowhawk | Jesse |
| Buzzard | George |

Building Work – Starts today (Little Owls will be collected at the end of the day from the same location as Kestrels until the end of term)

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 30th 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.

Leavers' Service

Year 6 visited Chichester Cathedral for their Leavers' Service last Wednesday. They all did brilliantly for the service, including leading the whole diocese This was followed by our own private boat hire as the children steered us safely down Chichester Canal, spotting a variety of wildlife along the way.



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Movie Night (Little Owls and Kestrels)

Thank you to FOBS, Miss Burnett, Mrs Seymour and Miss Webb for facilitating a great night for the children.



Ms Rowland

Very sadly, Ms Rowland's mum passed away very recently. I am sure you will all join me in sending our thoughts to Ms Rowland at this challenging time for her. We hope to see Ms Rowland for some drop-ins to school over the next three weeks but she will not be returning to her usual roles until the new academic year.

Mrs Maynard will be covering clubs in Ms Rowland's absence.

KS2 Camp

We are looking forward to welcoming children from KS2 to camp this Friday at 6pm. They will be ready for collection after a good night's sleep at 8am on Saturday.

Please note the deadline for signing up was 13th June. The deadline is provided so that staffing ratios, food orders and tent organisation can all be sorted and risk assessed. We are unable to accept any request for places after this date.

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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:

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| 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 2nd as part of the common transition day (when most of 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 |
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| 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



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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.

Please keep checking these dates and times as I will update them every week.

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

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](#)

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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 <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. 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