



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:

Little Owl	Johnny
Kestrel	Tilly
Sparrowhawk	Charlie J
Buzzard	Maisie

Building Update

The wind remained calm and the three sections of classroom were all safely installed on Saturday morning. There were a few moments where it looked like the final section, which also contained the cladding, was going to be too heavy to lift – but in true Bury team effort, Mrs and Mr Tupper came to the rescue and ensured the weight was below the crane’s limit.



Click [here](#) if you would like to see one of the sections being lifted into place. If watching with children I would advise muting - whilst I do not recall any inappropriate language being used, I cannot guarantee that there definitely is not any.

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Athlete Visit

Thank you for the absolutely amazing response to gymnast, Kelly Simm's visit on Friday – you have raised an amazing £2412. Once the fees for the visit are taken, the rest is split 40% to Great Athletes and 60% to school. This will result in the school receiving around £1500 to spend on new equipment – this is a phenomenal amount and will make a huge difference to further improving PE.



If you have not yet paid in your sponsor money, please do so by Thursday using the QR code. Mrs Gammon and Mrs Hubbard will be working through the sponsor forms on Friday to ensure that everyone gets their correct prizes for their fundraising efforts.



Whilst the effort in the workout for the children was brilliant, what really impressed me was the thought behind the questions that the children had for Kelly. This was particularly evident as Jemima asked Kelly how she felt being a role model and knowing so many children look up to her.



Staffing Updates

We wish Mrs Braun a swift recovery as she undergoes eye surgery later this week. Mrs Barnes will be covering Monday to Thursday during this period to ensure as much consistency as possible whilst Mrs Braun recovers.

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As shared in previous communication and as highlighted as a significant strength of the school, the majority of the class teachers have been undertaking National Professional Qualifications (NPQ) over the past year. We are delighted to share that last week it was confirmed that Miss Webb was successful in passing her NPQ for Lead Teachers. Well done Miss Webb.

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 Buzzards (until Easter)	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
Thursday		
Friday	Buzzards (from summer term)	

*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.

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

Monday Feb 24 th	Parents' Evening
Tuesday Feb 25 th	Author visit for KS2
Wednesday Feb 26 th	Parents' Evening

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Thursday March 20 th	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday April 2 nd	SPLASH Easter assembly – all welcome
Thursday May 8 th	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday May 14 th	SPLASH assembly
Wednesday May 21 st	Sports Morning
Monday June 2 nd	School Photos
Week beginning Monday June 2 nd	Bikeability for Buzzard Class
Friday June 13 th	Sussex Day
Tuesday June 17 th	New Starters Morning for new Little Owls
Wednesday June 25 th	Yr 6 Leavers at Chichester Cathedral
Wednesday July 2 nd	Transition Day
Friday 4 th July	KS2 Camp – more to follow
Tuesday 8 th July	14:00 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	Diversity Day
Tuesday July 15 th	FOBS Lego Day
Tuesday July 15 th	Reports out
Thursday July 17 th	Leavers’ Assembly (Yr 6 parents welcome)
Friday July 18 th	School Walk
Monday 21st July	INSET 4
Tuesday 22nd July	INSET 5

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 <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](#)

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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