



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 | Imogen |
| Kestrel | Rowan |
| Sparrowhawk | Maisy |
| Buzzard | Oscar Y |

Building Update

Things are moving along quickly with the classroom installation. The drainage and groundwork are almost complete. Should everything stay on schedule and weather permits, the new classroom will be lifted into place on Saturday 1st February. There will be temporary road closures outside of school as the classroom is craned in, so please bear this in mind if you are in the area.

The installation is due to be completed over the half term holiday and we will then move Buzzard Class in to their new classroom on the first couple of days after half term. With Buzzard Classroom empty, we can then move on to an exciting next stage of work. Due to our increase in pupil numbers across the school, we have accessed additional funding that we are going to use to alter some internal spaces. The work will take an additional 5-6 weeks which will take us to the Easter break. Whilst this will mean longer without carpark access, it will make a huge difference to our teaching spaces and means the work can be undertaken at a lower cost due to the builders already being set up on site. Completing this work straight after the new classroom installation will allow us to utilise the new spaces this academic year and will give us time to set everything up to hit the ground running from September.

Medicines in School

Further to the information regarding lip balms in school, please note this applies to all medicinal products.

What is a medicinal* product? "Any substance or combination of substances presented as having properties for treating or preventing disease in human beings;

Any substance or combination of substances which may be used in, or administered to, human beings, either with a view to restoring, correcting or modifying physiological functions by exerting a

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pharmacological, immunological or metabolic action, or to making a medical diagnosis”

* Definition Article 1 of Directive 2001/83/EC

Unless prescribed to be administered greater than 3x per day, we are not able to administer medicines in school. Under no*1 circumstance should any child be sent into school with a medicine.

*1 the exceptions to this are: a prescribed asthma inhaler and/or auto-adrenaline injector pen.

Parents Evenings

Parents Evening appointments are now available to book through MCAS.

24th & 26th February for Little Owl, Kestrel and Sparrowhawk classes and 27th & 29th January for Buzzard Class.

Wassail

Thank you for the brilliant turnout for last week's Wassail. It was brilliant to see so many families able to join with us as we celebrated our fruit trees and look forward to another good harvest this year.

A big thank you to FOBS for providing the refreshments, to Mrs Ind and Mr Bailey for looking after the fire, to Sompting Morris for providing the dance moves and to Miss Willett for organising the day.



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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 | Buzzards (for this half term only) | |

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| Tuesday | Little Owls, Kestrels | |
| Wednesday | Sparrowhawks | Everyone |
| Thursday | | |
| Friday | Buzzards (from Feb half 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.

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| Wednesday Jan 29 th | SPLASH assembly |
| Monday Feb 24 th | Parents' Evening |
| Tuesday Feb 25 th | Author visit for KS2 |
| Wednesday Feb 26 th | Parents' Evening |
| 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 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 11th | 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



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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 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