



# 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	Alice
Kestrel	Poppy
Sparrowhawk	Ivy
Buzzard	Esmae

## Fire Alarm

This morning's drill was not scheduled, however, the children all did a superb job and it provided a great opportunity for us to practise a drill at a different time in the day. Little Owls in particular did a fantastic job as we would normally practise the routine with them before undertaking a drill.

## 5 Children & It

Thanks to a recommendation from one of our Kestrel Class parents and thanks to a kind donation from Bury Players, we were delighted to welcome 'This Is My Theatre' to school today. They performed 5 Children & It to the whole school. The children and staff were all incredibly impressed by the show.

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## Bulb Planting for Mrs Everest

Amelie in Sparrowhawk Class is very keen to give her mum a present for her birthday. For those of you who are new to the school, Amelie's mum (Laura Everest) sadly died last year. Next Monday would have been Mrs Everest's birthday and we discussed with Amelie planting lots of daffodils to celebrate her mum's life. We are going to plant them just inside the school field so that in years to come when Amelie is no longer at our school, she will still be able to see all of the daffodils in flower in the spring.

We invite any parents who would like to, to join with Sparrowhawk Class in planting a bulb for Mrs Everest. We will meet on the school field at 9am where Mr Everest has very kindly agreed to say a few words. There will then be the opportunity to plant a bulb in memory of Mrs Everest.

We will be taking the other classes over to the field to plant a bulb throughout the rest of the day.

## Morning Drop Offs

At our full governing body meeting last week we discussed safety around drop off. Before the gates open at 8:35, please use all of the space along the front of the school to wait with your child/ren. Please also ensure that any children using scooters or bikes etc, have dismounted these before entering the school site. Please also ensure that children are not playing 'races' or tag or similar whilst in this area for the safety of everyone else. The children have plenty of opportunities to play these games once they are all in school. This was exemplified today as we had an extended lunch break following the theatre performance; the children decided to play a very large game of Grandma's Footsteps.



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## Covid Guidance

Most Covid guidance has now been withdrawn. The exception can be found on the NHS website [here](#).

## PE and Bury Rangers – these remain the same for 24/25

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
<b>Monday</b>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Little Owls	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
<b>Thursday</b>	Kestrels	
<b>Friday</b>	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.

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

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Theatre Performance to the school
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Bulb planting for Mrs Everest
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	SPLASH assembly
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Poet working with Sparrowhawks

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Tuesday Oct 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sparrowhawks visit Bignor Roman Villa
Thursday Oct 17 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day for Prospective Parents
Tuesday Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest at Church – more to follow
Thursday Oct 24 <sup>th</sup>	Special music event at Champs Hill for Sparrowhawks
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>INSET 2</b>
Monday Nov 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Wednesday Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Monday Nov 11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance at Church
Tuesday Nov 12 <sup>th</sup>	Star Dome in school
Friday Nov 15 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need
Thursday Nov 21 <sup>st</sup>	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday Nov 27 <sup>th</sup>	SPLASH assembly
Friday Nov 29 <sup>th</sup>	FOBS Lego Day – parents welcome. Timings to follow
Thursday Dec 12 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity 9am and 2pm
Tuesday Dec 17 <sup>th</sup>	Singing to the village – children collected from Bury Village Hall
Friday Dec 20 <sup>th</sup>	14:30 Christingle at Bury Church – children collected from church
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>INSET 3</b>
Thursday January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thursday Jan 16 <sup>th</sup>	Bury Wassail – more to follow
Wednesday Jan 29 <sup>th</sup>	SPLASH assembly
Monday Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Wednesday Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	SPLASH Easter assembly – all welcome
Thursday May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday May 14 <sup>th</sup>	SPLASH assembly
Wednesday May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Morning
Monday June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	School Photos
Week beginning Monday June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bikeability for Buzzard Class
Friday June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Sussex Day
Tuesday June 17 <sup>th</sup>	New Starters Morning for new Little Owls
Wednesday July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Transition Day
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Camp – more to follow
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	14:00 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>	Diversity Day
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)
Friday July 18 <sup>th</sup>	School Walk
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>INSET 4</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b>INSET 5</b>

## 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

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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