



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	Edina
Kestrel	Elliot
Sparrowhawk	Matilda
Buzzard	Arabella

Friday's Fair

A big thank you to Mrs Leggett for organising and to the many parents who supported her to make Friday's event a great success. Splat the Rat, weight estimation, silent auctions, there really was something for everyone. The children's art competition was a particular highlight with congratulations to Edina, Jack T, Edward and Isobel who were the class winners.

Phonics Workshop – Tomorrow morning

On the 15th October, Miss Webb and Mrs Seymour will be running a phonics workshop for parents. This is primarily aimed at Little Owls and Kestrel Parents, but is open to all. It will run from 8:45 to approximately 9:15. No need to book, just wait by the hall doors on the day.

More information about the session content is available [here](#)

Open Day 17th October

Thursday is our Open Day for prospective new children for Reception in September 2025.

Buzzard Class will be working in pairs to show new families around the school.

We will be having the following dates where parents can be shown the work their children have been creating by their own children:

Tuesday 22nd Oct 8:45 Little Owls

Wednesday 23rd Oct 8:45 Kestrels

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Wednesday 23rd Oct 15:00 Sparrowhawks

Thursday 24th Oct 8:45 Buzzards

Harvest – Tuesday 22nd October

We are very pleased to be holding our Harvest Festival in the church this year. Our service will start at 2pm with the whole school walking to St John's after lunch and then all walking back to school after we finish. Parents are very welcome to join us, but please note there will be limited seating available at church so you are likely to be standing.

Pulborough Food Bank are very keen to receive our donations and have particularly requested the following items if at all possible: tinned food, pasta, cereals and chocolate.

To ensure the children's safety, we are requesting all parents who wish to join us for Harvest to do so by walking down to the church with us. We will then all walk back to school, which will reduce the number of vehicles along the narrow lane to the church.

Please start bringing in your donations from now on. We will collect these in the hall and place them on the altar as in previous years.

School Visits during the School Day

For many of our school trips, they are local visits and during the school day. We always try to arrange these slightly differently to school hours so that families with multiple children at the school can take them to the different locations. Our reason for asking parents to drop off and collect their children (or to arrange that with other families in the class) is simply due to cost. A coach cost for a local trip is around £450. Using Champs Hill as an example, asking families for circa £20 per child for a trip which is 6mins from school seems unreasonable.

We therefore ask you to make arrangements with each other in order to support these visits being able to take place.

Message from FoBS

Thank you to all who stayed and supported us last Friday at the Autumn Fair. We raised an amazing £588.00 for school. We would also like to thank the parents and staff who helped run stalls, we really appreciated all your hard work to enable the event to go ahead.

We would also like to congratulate all who entered the collage competition, what wonderful entries we had, it made Mr Mott and Mrs Braun's job of judging very difficult but they got there. The winners are:

Little Owls - Edina

Kestrels - Jack T

Sparrowhawks - Edward A

Buzzards - Isobel

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And special mention goes to Jemima for her beautiful Fox.

You are all welcome to collect your entries after school.

Upcoming Events:

On Thursday 17th October there will be an open day for prespective parents, if there are any members of FoBS who would be available to help please let us know either in person, on your class or FoBS WhatsApp groups or via email: fobs@bury.school

Don't forget next Wednesday 23rd October is Quiz & Curry at The Squire and Horse 7pm start, teams of four. For details there is a poster up in the community notice board by the gates to the playground.

Thank you for ongoing support,
Liz Leggett
(Co-Chair FoBS)

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
Monday		
Tuesday	Little Owls	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
Thursday	Kestrels	
Friday	Buzzards	





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*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.

Tuesday Oct 8 th	Sparrowhawks visit Bignor Roman Villa Postponed until 5th Nov
Tuesday 15 th	Phonics workshop for parents (aimed at Little Owls and Kestrel Parents)
Thursday Oct 17 th	Open Day for Prospective Parents
Tuesday Oct 22 nd	Harvest at Church
Thursday Oct 24 th	Special music event at Champs Hill for Sparrowhawks
Friday 25th October	INSET 2
Monday Nov 4 th	Parents' Evening
Tuesday Nov 5 th	Sparrowhawks visit Bignor Roman Villa
Wednesday Nov 6 th	Parents' Evening
Monday Nov 11 th	Remembrance at Church
Tuesday Nov 12 th	Star Dome in school
Friday Nov 15 th	Children in Need
Thursday Nov 21 st	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday Nov 27 th	SPLASH assembly
Friday Nov 29 th	FOBS Lego Day – parents welcome. Timings to follow
Thursday Dec 12 th	Nativity 9am and 2pm
Tuesday Dec 17 th	Singing to the village – children collected from Bury Village Hall
Friday Dec 20 th	14:30 Christingle at Bury Church – children collected from church
Monday 6th Jan	INSET 3
Thursday January 16 th	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thursday Jan 16 th	Bury Wassail – more to follow
Wednesday Jan 29 th	SPLASH assembly
Monday Feb 24 th	Parents' Evening
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)



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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 21 st July	INSET 4
Tuesday 22 nd 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 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.

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