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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 Betty
Kestrel Jago
Sparrowhawk Daniel
Buzzard Rosie

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November we had lots of children who were late due to Bury Hill being closed. Any child who was not in attendance during the registers being taken has to be recorded in some way. For all of our children affected by the hill closure, this was recorded as a Special Circumstance – authorised absence, for the morning and present in the afternoon. Unfortunately, this is not apparent on MCAS unless you select the actual date – it appears as though it is a day's absence until selected and you will then see this

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# Wednesday 06/11/2024



### Parents' Evening

Thank you all for attending Parents' Evening last week. Little Owls, Kestrels and Buzzard reports were shared earlier this morning. Sparrowhawks will be with you as soon as possible.

For those of you who are new to the school, rather than just sharing one large report in summer, we share brief overviews from our autumn and spring parents' meetings so that you have a record of







what was discussed and know what your child is working on to improve.

#### Christmas Lunch

Please get your orders in for Christmas Lunch which is taking place on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. The **deadline for ordering** is 5<sup>th</sup> **December**. All bookings and payments to be made through Parentpay in the usual way.

## Star Dome in School – 12th 25th November

Following the closing of the A27 on our previous date, the star dome has been rescheduled for  $25^{th}$  November.

All being well, there will still be a slot for parents as described previously:

We have also managed to secure a slot for parents to get involved. At 14:45, we will have an opening for a small group of parents to enjoy the dome. There will be limited spaces of 25 offered on a first come first served basis. Please queue at the hall doors if you would like to learn more about the night sky.

## Buzzard Class Residential to Hindleap (22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025)

For our current Year 5 and Year 4 parents you will see an additional payment in MCAS for next year's Hindleap Residential. We have made this available now so that you are able to spread the cost over as long a period as possible. We have also put back the deposit until the new year due to the strains on finances at this time of year. To give you an idea of what Hindleap is like, please have a look at the following link Hindleap Warren e-brochure

We have been attending Hindleap biannually since 2017. It has a smaller accommodation than a lot of the larger providers such as PGL, which means there are normally only 2 or 3 other schools on the site with us. It also means the children get to know their instructors well which really helps for building children's confidence throughout the week.

We will have a meeting closer to the date to share more and provide key information, but wanted to get this information out now in order to give you as much time as possible to plan.

## Car Parking from 9th December

In order to provide you more options for parking throughout our building works, we have very kindly been allowed to park at Charlie's Farm Shop in the mornings and walk to school. Whilst this may not be ideal for everyone, we hope it provides support for some of you.

Due to the number of families who use our after-school provision, there is already mitigation for volume of cars at this time of day.







#### Covid Guidance

Most Covid guidance has now been withdrawn. The exception can be found on the NHS website here.

### PE and Bury Rangers – changes from October half term 2024

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	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
Thursday		
Friday	Buzzards	

<sup>\*</sup>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 Nov 12 <sup>th</sup> -Monday Nov 25 <sup>th</sup>	Star Dome in school	
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	
Monday Dec 9 <sup>th</sup>	Building work starts	
Thursday Dec 12 <sup>th</sup> ( <b>Now Dec 5<sup>th</sup></b> )	Nativity 9am and 2pm	





Monday Dec 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch	
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	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	INSET 3	
Thursday January 16th	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	
Tuesday Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	Author visit for KS2	
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 21st	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 11th	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	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET 4	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 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 <a href="https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/">https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/</a>. 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