



Bury C of E Primary School Newsletter

Owls End, Bury, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE26 2NJ

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***This week's Collective Worship theme is Advent - Hope – "Isaiah 9:2
The people walking in darkness have seen a great light."***

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had a wonderfully festive and busy week in school, filled with celebrations, events, and exciting news to share. The children may have told you about the beautiful Christmas trees which have been placed around school this week. They've added a wonderful festive sparkle to our school, and the children have loved seeing the decorations appear. It's helping everyone get into the Christmas spirit as we head into December!

On Monday, some of our Year 6 children had the privilege of attending the DEMAT Carol Service at Ely Cathedral. They represented our school beautifully and had a lovely time taking part in such a special and memorable event.

A fantastic time was had by all at the school discos yesterday! The children enjoyed great music, dancing, and lots of fun. A huge thank you to everyone who helped out on the night and to FoBS for organising such a brilliant event. Your support and hard work are very much appreciated.

Children in Years 2, 5 and 6 took part in NSPCC 'Speak out Stay safe' workshops today – this is a safeguarding programme that aims to equip children with the knowledge they need to stay safe from abuse and neglect. You may wish to talk to your child about their 'Speak out Stay safe' Buddy kits which they will bring home with them today.

We are looking forward to our Scholastic Book Fair which will be held after school in the hall from Thursday 11th December to Tuesday 16th December. It's a wonderful opportunity for children to explore and purchase new books, and for the school to earn rewards to add to our library. We hope lots of families will come along and join in the fun of discovering some new reads. You might even pick up a few Christmas presents.

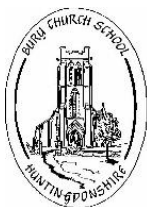
Our Christmas post box is up and ready for business! If your child would like to send Christmas cards to friends across the school, please ensure that each card includes the recipient's first name, last name, and year group. This helps our delivery elves make sure cards reach the right place.

We can't wait for the Reception Class Nativity on Tuesday. The children have been practising hard and are very excited to share their performance. It's always such a special and heart-warming start to the Christmas celebrations.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Heanes and Miss Jones

5th December 2025



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Weekly Attendance

Whole School: 95%	Year Three: 93.1%
Reception: 95%	Year Four: 98.1%
Year One: 93.4%	Year Five: 94.5%
Year Two: 92.2%	Year Six: 98.3%
Whole School Year to Date: 96.6%	

Illness reporting:



Could we ask that parents/carers contact the school (email office@bury.cambs.sch.uk or leave a voicemail) on EACH day of absence if your child is ill (not just the first day). Absences MUST be reported by 8.30am on the day of absence. If we do not have contact from you by 9.30am the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Parking:



We have had reports of dangerous parking on the road out of Bury up towards the church. We would like to urge parents/carers to be careful when parking in the surrounding area. Please take care not to block driveways, double park, or create hazards or obstructions for other families and children.

Celebration Worship/productions - photography:



We would like to ask that you do not film or take any photos during Celebration Worship or school performances – you will often have the opportunity to take photos at the end. If you are taking group photos at the end, please ensure you have permission from the other children's parents/carers beforehand. Please also ask for permission from anyone included in your photos before sharing to social media. This is for safeguarding purposes and ensures we keep our children and families safe.

Reception Nativity – Tuesday:



Reception children will be performing their Nativity play in school on Tuesday (9th December) at 2.30pm, in the school hall. Seating will be available on a first come first served basis – please enter through the main school office. As stated in the letter which was sent out in October, we kindly ask that you restrict your numbers to a maximum of three people (per child) per performance. This is to allow for maximum seating capacity and fire safety in the hall.

Christmas lunch – Wednesday:

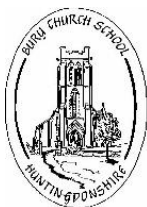


We will be holding our Christmas Lunch at school on Wednesday (10th December). Options are available on MCAS. Please ensure you book your child's meals in advance.

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday:



A reminder that we will be joining in with fundraising for Save the Children on Christmas Jumper Day (Thursday 11th December). Children are welcome to wear Christmas themed clothes if they wish, however there is no requirement to buy anything special for this and children are equally welcome to come in normal non-uniform if they prefer. [Donate to Christmas Jumper Day](#)



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FoBS meeting – Thursday:



FoBS will be holding their next meeting on Thursday (11th December) at 7pm in The White Lion pub. All are very welcome to attend.

Saturn non-uniform day - Friday:



A reminder that all children who are in Saturn are invited to come into school in non-uniform on Friday (12th December). **Children who are in other houses should come into school in uniform.**

Parent workshop – Friday:



Danielle Tetherton, our Education Inclusion Family Advisor (EIFA), will be holding a Parent Workshop on Friday (12th December) at 1.45pm in the school hall. This workshop intends to explore the definition of anxiety, its purpose and how it may affect us. It will provide advice around supporting children to understand how they are feeling and some strategies that may help them to manage these feelings.

If you have noticed your child struggling with coming to school, issues around friendships, worries about transition to secondary school or anything else that is upsetting them, please email office@bury.cambs.sch.uk to book your place.

Christmas Carol Concert at Bury Church - change of date:



Please note, the date of our Christmas Carol Concert at Bury Church has changed to Tuesday 16th December (6pm start). Several children are sharing readings and pictures – you will have been informed if your child has been asked to do this.

Celebration Worship:



The last Celebration Worship of 2025 will take place on Thursday 18th December at 9am. We will be celebrating all birthdays between Monday 15th December and Sunday 4th January (inclusive).

Upcoming events (details for all events will be sent out closer to the time):



9th December – YR Nativity Performance (2.30pm)

10th December – Christmas lunch

11th December – Christmas Jumper Day (non-uniform)

11th December – FoBS meeting (7pm meet at The White Lion pub)

11th – 16th December – Scholastic Book Fair

12th December – Saturn non-uniform day

12th December – Parent Workshop (1.45pm)

15th December – Y1/2 Christmas Performance (2.00pm)

16th December – Y1/2 Christmas Performance (9.30am)

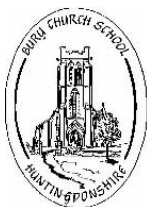
16th December – Christmas Carol Concert at Bury Church (6pm) ***please note change of date**

18th December – Last Celebration Worship of the year **(instead of Friday 19th)**

19th December – Last day of term

5th January 2026 – Professional Day (school closed to children)

6th January - Start of Spring Term



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Bury Church News:



This Sunday at Bury church is our regular Café Sunday service which starts with a help-yourself breakfast in the church hall from 9.30am. Café Sunday is a very family friendly time and this week, in addition to the usual activities (newspapers, graffiti wall, wii games, playdoh etc.), there will be a special Christmas craft for the children. Do join us.

Attached to this newsletter is a full list of the special Christmas services coming up. Further details will follow nearer the time but children might particularly enjoy the, always popular, Christingle service at 4pm on 14th December and, new last year was our pop-up Nativity which was great fun and which we are repeating (with a different 'script' The Great Advent-ure) at 11.15am on 21st December

Services:



Sunday 7th December

9.30am – Café Sunday @Bury



Sunday 14th December

4pm – Christingle



Sunday 21st December

11.15am – All in! Pop-Up Nativity



Christmas Eve

5pm – Candlelit Carol Service



Christmas Day

10am – Family Celebration



Sunday 28th December

10am – 4Parishes joint service at Bury Church



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Christmas Services at Bury Parish Church

Sunday 14th December – 4pm

Christingle Service

Meet in the Church hall to make a Christingle, enjoy some refreshments, followed by a short service in Church

Sunday 21st December – 11.15am

Pop Up Nativity

"The Amazing Advent-ure!"

Children (and adults if you wish!) come dressed as your favourite nativity character and join in!

Christmas Eve – 5pm

Carols by Candlelight

Mulled wine and mince pies

Christmas Day – 10am

Family Celebration

Children, bring along your favourite present

Church of the Holy Cross, Meadow Lane, Bury PE26 2NS

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