



17th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our children, families and staff have made it to the end of another academic year. Every child in school has risen to the academic challenges set this year and their outcomes have been amazing.

Each year we say our Junior School is extremely fortunate to be gaining such a wonderful cohort of Year 2 pupils; this year these pupils are truly exceptional. I know I say it every year but we couldn't have asked for a nicer 'Class of 2026' cohort. They and their families will be greatly missed.

It is not only academically that the 2026 cohort has been outstanding, it is in all aspects of their school life. They have shown themselves to be super sports and performing arts stars. We have a large group of children who love to swim, perform martial arts, play football, act, sing and dance. The Juniors will really appreciate having pupils who enjoy their sports and arts.

We know you will shine, Year 2! Enjoy your Junior adventure.

PTA

Our PTA have worked tirelessly this year and with your support and generosity have raised a wonderful **£11,497**. The PTA have donated across many aspects of school life this year. Educationally they have provided Year 2 Comprehension books, upgraded our Jolly Phonics package and purchased additional gymnastics and sports' equipment.

Our external enrichment activities have been subsidised by the PTA, these included Aqualease Aqua Explorer, Zoolab, Reindeer visit, coaches for visits and M&M Panto. They provided Christmas gifts and Easter Eggs and subsidised the Year 2 Leaver's Hoodies. Finally, our school environment has benefitted from new lunchbox storage, picnic benches, outdoor balance beam set, Continuous Provision equipment for Year 1 including a café, shop and home corner.

If any families have unwanted wooden fruit/veg/food items/any 'shop related items', that are in good condition, we would be very happy to take them off your hands!

We are saying goodbye to several members of our PTA Team, as their children join our Junior School. We would like to thank them for all their hard work in the Infants and their valued contribution to the enhancements the PTA have provided for all the children.
If anyone has any

Attendance Award

Today we presented Stanley Moore 2T with a 100% pin for attendance. Stanley has never been absent in his three years at Booker Avenue Infants. What an achievement Stanley!

We have two classes winning the termly attendance award: Class RD and Class RJ. Well done boys and girls.

Changes for September 2027

- **PE days are now:**
 - Monday: **Year 1**
 - Wednesday: **Year 2**
 - Thursday: **Reception**
 - PE will start week beginning 7th September
- **Multisports days are now:**
 - Monday: **Year 1**
 - Wednesday: **Year 2**
 - Thursday: **Reception**
- **Water bottles:** We are moving back to school plastic water bottles due to some accidents that have occurred with the larger bottles that children have been bringing (often metal). Named water bottles will be provided for all children on the first day of school. **Please do not send your child to school with a water bottle other than the one which will be provided by school on day 1.** Spares can be purchased from the school office for £2.
- **SEND toys/sensory items:** Please do not send personal sensory toys or fidget items into school with your child. All classes are equipped with a range of sensory toys and aids that children can access whenever needed during the school day. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Return to school in September

Tuesday 1st September	INSET Day – school closed to all pupils
Wednesday 2nd September	Year 1 and Year 2 return to school: 8.55 - 3.25
Monday 7th September	Nursery settling sessions: 9.30 - 10.30 / 1.30 - 2.30 Reception part time attendance: 9.15 - 11.00 / 1.30 - 3.15
Tuesday 8th September	Nursery settling sessions: 9.30 - 10.30 / 1.30 - 2.30 Reception part time attendance: 9.15 - 11.00 / 1.30 - 3.15
Wednesday 9th September	Nursery normal attendance: • 15 hours: mornings 8.45 - 11.45 / afternoons 12.15 - 3.15 • 30 hours: 8.45 - 3.15 Reception part time attendance: 9.15 - 11.00 / 1.30 - 3.15
Thursday 10th September	Reception full time attendance: 8.55 - 3.20

Activity Days September 2026

The **UK Military School Ltd** are an educational provider that delivers themed programs to young people, their activity days are focused on team building and resilience. Information about sessions can be found at www.ukmilitaryschool.com

We have booked two days of activity sessions for our September 2026 cohorts (Nursery to Year 2) and their grown-ups. The session days are:

- **Tuesday 15th September a.m. - Year 2**
- **Tuesday 15th September p.m. - Year 1**
- **Wednesday 16th September a.m. - Reception**
- **Wednesday 16th September p.m. - Nursery**

Parents are welcome to come along to support their children and, if they wish, participate in a range of activities alongside them. Our staff will also be there to help the children. We are hoping the weather will be kind as water is involved in some activities. Heron Eccles have kindly let us use a section of their field by our fence. We will send information regarding times when we return in September but we know that some parents/carers need to know dates well in advance.

Headteacher Award

This week the Headteacher's Award is being given to three children who have helped me every week in Celebration Assembly. They are: Seren Carlin, Nina McEvoy and Oscar Turpin. Thank you for all your help this year.

Class Star of the Week Badge

2B – Luca Doran; 2D – Penny Sime; 2T- Yazan Siddig

1L – Carter Cassidy; 1P – Connie Bennett; 1S – Izzy Murphy

RD – Bonnie Zhang; RH – James Malton; RJ – Alba Burns

Nursery - Raphie Jefferies

Finally, the staff and I would like to thank our families for their kind words, support and generosity; we are very fortunate to be part of such a lovely school community.

We hope that everyone has a lovely summer break.

Kind Regards,

Lynne Brown

Headteacher