



## Newsletter | July 2026

### The Summer term is speeding by!

We were looking forward to welcoming Moore Madness to our Summer Event today, the current heatwave means that this can no longer go ahead. The safety and wellbeing of our children remains our priority.

We are busy arranging an alternative arrangement and as soon as this is confirmed we will let you know.

The Summer term continues to move quickly as we head into the remaining weeks of this school year; we are super proud of all the children and their achievements. We see just how far the children have come as the year has progressed. Children's reports will be coming out next week (03.07.25) and we are delighted to share with you, your child's successes – please remember that if you would like an additional meeting with your child's class teacher, there is an opportunity to book this during the week beginning 06.07.25.

Reception and Year 1 Parents/Carers will receive an email informing you of your child's class for September today – please do look out for this.

During the coming weeks, we will be thinking about the children moving on to the next phase of their education. We have lots of transition activities planned to support the children in feeling confident about this, including a three-day transition planned for July (Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July), along with information sharing and visits to see their new class teachers.

With this being the Summer Term - please do remember to ensure that your child/ren has sun cream, sun hat and a water bottle available each day as well as a light jacket for when the weather suddenly changes.

Please take time to read our regular newsletter as we use this to try to keep you informed of all the different events taking place in school. Information is also available on our school website; please visit [www.heatheravenue.co.uk](http://www.heatheravenue.co.uk), our Facebook page *Heather Avenue Infant School* or follow us on twitter *@HeatherAvenue*.

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## Farewell and very best wishes

As we near the end of the school year, we would like to congratulate Mrs Howes on her incredible length of service and wish her the very best in her upcoming retirement!

Mrs Howes has dedicated her time, energy, and heart to Heather Avenue Infant School since 2007. Over nearly two decades, she has made a huge, lasting impact on our school community and shaped the lives of countless children. Her warmth, dedication, and guidance will be deeply missed by children, parents/carers, and staff alike.

Thank you, Mrs Howes, for everything you have given to our school. We wish you a wonderful, relaxing, and well-deserved retirement!

## Welcome

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Gardner will be joining our school community this September. She will be teaching alongside Mrs McNorton in the Hedgehogs class for the upcoming academic year. Please join us in giving her a warm welcome!

## Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 30th June 2026: Year 1 Trip to Great Yarmouth

Thursday 2nd July 2026: Reception Tag Rugby Festival

Friday 3rd July 2026: Annual Reports to Parents/Carers

W/B Monday 6th July 2026: Optional Parent/Carer consultation evenings

W/B Monday 6th July 2026: Healthy Living Week

Tuesday 7th July 2026: Sports Morning

Wednesday 8th July - Friday 10th July 2026: Transition days, children move to new classes - more information to follow

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026: Children finish school for Summer Holidays

## FOHA

Our Ice-lolly Friday for the Summer term is still going - find us in the Kitchen Classroom entrance with lots of Ice Lolly treats on a Friday at the end of the school day.

## Sun Safety - Reminder

Please ensure children have sun cream applied and remember to bring a Sun hat, water bottle and light coat to school each day!

We have legionnaire style hats to purchase from the school office for £2.50

If you have not yet completed our Sun Safety form here is the link

[Sun Safety Form](#)

## Second Hand Uniform - Reminder

We have lots of second hand uniform (some still with tags!), so please do let us know if this is something that you require - all items sold at 50p

## Library Books

Please could all Library Books be returned by Friday 3rd July so we can complete our end of term audit of books. Thank you.

# Attendance Reminder

We know that sometimes children are just too unwell to come to school and obviously this cannot be helped.

However, for other issues impacting on attendance we are here to support your child in coming to school each day – please do talk to your child’s class teacher, myself (Miss Coleman/Executive Head Teacher), Miss Lilley (Head of School) or Mrs Muff (our Parent Support Adviser) if you would like further support.

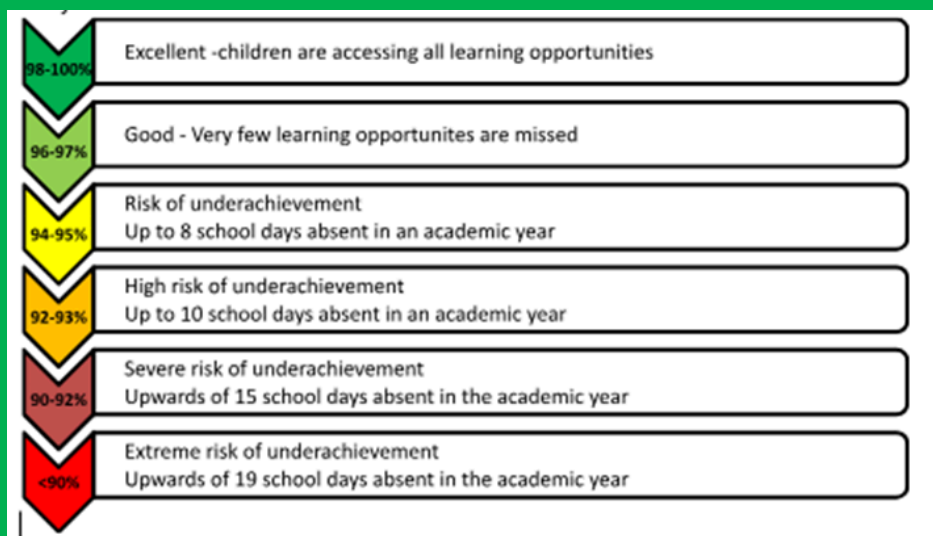
If you would like to access other support, please scan the QR code below



Attendance is a national concern and one which all schools are trying to address. We are grateful for your support and recognise the efforts that you all go to, to ensure that your children are in school on time each day – Thank you.

## What are the risks associated with low attendance?

The main risks associated with low attendance are linked to achievement



We also see that good attendance positively supports wider personal development including the growth of character, confidence and resilience.

### **Congratulations**

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Paterson is expecting a baby. Her maternity leave is scheduled to begin early in the coming academic year. Please join us in wishing Mrs Paterson and her growing family the very best during this exciting time.