



Friday 5th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a restful break and are ready for a busy and exciting final term in Year 2! This term is always a special one, as we celebrate the progress the children have made while also helping them prepare for the transition to Key Stage 2.

The Curriculum

This term, we'll be starting a new history topic: *Brave Nurses*. The children will be learning about the lives and contributions of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole, exploring how their work transformed nursing and how those changes can still be seen in healthcare today. As always, you can find more information about our curriculum in the Summer 2 Topic Web.

Transition

It's hard to believe that Year 2 is heading into its final term! As we look ahead, we are beginning to gently prepare the children for their exciting move to Year 3. This transition is an important step that involves developing greater independence, responsibility, and confidence in new routines.

Here's how you can help at home:

- **Daily routines:** Encourage your child to pack their own school bag, bring their reading book, and remember any extras they need (like water bottles or PE kits).
- **Morning drop-off:** Children are now expected to say goodbye at the Quiet Area door. This small step helps build confidence and independence.
- **Encourage independence at home:** Tasks such as getting dressed, organising their belongings, or helping with simple chores can all build readiness for the expectations of Key Stage 2.
- **Talk positively about the move:** Chat with your child about the changes ahead - new teachers, classrooms, and routines. Reassure them that it's normal to feel a little nervous and that we are here to support them every step of the way.

Towards the end of term, the children will have a transition morning, where they'll spend time in their new classroom with their new teacher. This gives them a chance to get to know the space, the adults, and what to expect in Year 3 in a calm and supported way.

P.E. days and Library days

Our P.E. days this half-term are **Tuesday (indoor)** and **Thursday (outdoor)**. Please make sure your child has their full kit on these days, including suitable clothing for outdoor sessions in all weathers. A waterproof coat is recommended, as children will still go outside at break and lunchtime unless the weather is particularly poor.

Library books can be changed during lunchtime any day once your child has finished reading them. We also visit the library together on Wednesday afternoons. Please remind your child to put their library book in the classroom library box by **Wednesday morning** so that our librarian can collect and process the books in time for our session.

Homework and Reading

Homework will continue to be set every **Thursday** and should be completed by the following **Thursday**. This will include:

- Doodle Maths assignments and regular practice (at least 3 times per week)
- Daily reading with an adult

- Optional extras to extend and enrich learning at home

Please support your child in developing consistent homework habits - it makes such a big difference!

Punctuality and Attendance

The school gate opens at 8.40am and all children should arrive as promptly as possible. Early work will be set, and register taken at 8.50am. Thank you for your support with your child's punctuality. Please continue to support children in developing an organised morning routine which allows them to arrive at school in time.

Diary Dates

Thursday 4th June	Art exhibition in the hall at pick up time (pm)
Friday 5th June	Art exhibition in the hall at drop off (am)
Sunday 7th June	SASA Fun run in Bury Knowle Park (rescheduled from previous date)
6th – 10th July	Health and well-being week at school
Monday 6th July	Summer music concert – 5.30pm
Wednesday 8th July	Year 1 and 2 Sports Day event – 2pm – parents/carers invited to watch
Friday 10th July	Summer Fair straight after school – 3.30-5.00pm
Monday 13th July	Piano concert – 5.30pm
Tuesday 14th July	Leavers' service at St Andrew's Church – am – Year 6 parents only
Tuesday 14th July	School Reports out to parents/carers
Wednesday 15th July	St Andrew's transition morning (morning with Year 3 teacher)
Friday 17th July	Last day of term - early finish at 1:30pm for Year 2

Finally, please ensure that the office have up to date contact information for you and other key adults in case of accident or illness during school hours. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions/concerns. I am available most days after school for a quick chat (with the exception of Wednesdays as I have a staff meeting), or you can call the office and schedule a longer meeting if necessary.

Kind regards,

Miss Cagney, Mrs Marsden, Ms Magill and Mr Jarvis