

Booker News

Booker Avenue Junior School's Newsletter

Welcome to this week's newsletter



Today, we have had to bid a fond farewell to another long-standing member of school staff. Mrs. Christine Walker has been the school cook at Booker for many years. In fact, she may well be the longest serving to date. She has made the decision to retire and enjoy a well-earned rest. We will all miss her. Some of our Year 6 children paid her a visit in the kitchen this morning to pass on gifts and the good wishes of the whole school. Enjoy your retirement Mrs. Walker!

Our New Mural

You will, I am sure, have noticed the lovely mural which now adorns the end wall near the Junior gates. This was designed and painted by a local artist, Lydia at our request. The design represents many of the values we are discussing in school with the children; unity, respect, diversity. It symbolises both the differences and similarities between us all and helps us to appreciate others.

All of this is also involved in our school's work towards achieving the Rainbow Flag Award. There is now a dedicated page on our website which gives you further information about the award and also links to agencies who provide support and guidance. You can view our webpage here:

[Rainbow Flag Award | Booker Avenue Junior School \(booker-junior.com\)](https://booker-junior.com)



Attendance

Overall attendance continues to be great; 97.6% for the academic year so far.

Panto Fun!

Years 3, 4 and 5 had a wonderful time on Thursday afternoon experiencing all the fun of the pantomime when M and M production visited us with their version of "Sleeping Beauty." It was a fabulous performance which the children thoroughly enjoyed. Live shows and drama are really important experiences for children.



M and M will be returning during the Summer term to perform for our Year 6 children and then the show will be "The Hobbit." Something for Y6 to really look forward to!



Science Spectacular!

Wednesday's assemblies were enthralling as our children were visited by Scientist Sarah from the Mad Science company. We heard all about the science of sound and we treated to some amazing demonstrations. We know that many of you have signed your children up for the after-school clubs in January. These have proved so popular that extra groups have had to be laid on! It is great that Booker pupils are so inspired by science!



Humanitarian Appeal

You may be aware that we have recently welcomed two Ukrainian students into our school. They are fantastic children who have quickly made many friends. One of their parents has been able to organise a way to transport humanitarian goods to those who need them at the frontline in Ukraine. If you are able to donate any of the goods on the right, please bring them to school next week on Monday or Tuesday morning and we will ensure that they get to the right place.

**TOP 10 ITEMS
URGENTLY REQUIRED**

1. CANNED & TINNED FOOD
2. WET WIPES
3. PARACETAMOL
4. PROTEIN & GRANOLA BARS
5. TEA & COFFEE
6. SUGAR
7. PASTA
8. BISCUITS
9. RICE
10. IODIUM

STAND WITH UKRAINE

Thank you.

School Meals

Week Commencing 14.11.22		Week Commencing 21.11.22
Monday	Vegetable Stir Fry	Pizza, wedges and salad
Tuesday	Homemade Scouse	Steak pie, new potatoes, green beans
Wednesday	Roast Dinner	Pasta and tomato sauce
Thursday	Curry and Rice	Sausage, mash, peas and gravy
Friday	Fish fingers, chips and peas	Fish fingers, chips and beans

Stars of the Week

Well done to the following children who are our Stars of the Week!

3M

Jess Y - for following instructions first time, every time and for being a fantastic listener.
Artie B - for being enthusiastic and engaged in every lesson.

3T

Jacob - has shown brilliant maturity and dedication to his work. Really helpful all week
Eva - growing in confidence and constantly participating in lessons.

3E

Noah - for his excellent addition and subtraction work when exchanging.
Matthew - for having a positive attitude to his learning and being a good friend on the playground.

3F

Vaughn D - Vaughn's attitude to learning is remarkable. He has worked tremendously hard both independently and with a partner. Well done.

Daniel W - A great week for Daniel, showing amazing engagement in all of his lessons and taking on feedback to help him make great progress. Keep it up.

4K

Bella - for being an enthusiastic, hardworking and kind member of 4K.
Marc - for creating fantastic food chains in our Science lesson

4C

Jenson D: his good use of the features of a discussion text to produce detailed, interesting work.
Harriet B: using and applying her knowledge to maths problems with determination.

4B

Henry C - An excellent contribution to Our maths lessons on problem solving with bar models
Evelyn C - Working to her best in writing a balanced argument with conjunctions and adverbials.

5G

Mutjaba A for improved focus and concentration
Lois N for always working hard and doing her best

5B

Henry M for his positivity and making people smile with his infectious laugh.
Lily V for trying really hard and showing real determination

5CM

Willow Mc for settling into 5CM so well, it's like she has always been here!
L'Oréal H for being a great friend to Willow and working so hard.

6M

Jack D for gorgeous behaviour and or being a thoroughly lovely person. Jack is making amazing progress by pushing himself.
Amna K for being a lovely friend and for excellent use of the features of a persuasive argument.

6J

Tyler W - for his quality R.E. work explaining the ten Gurus of Sikhism.
Nisa K - for being a lovely friend and for always thinking of others.

6Mc

TBC

Have a great weekend!

Mr Thompson