



John Ray Infant School & School House Nursery



"Learning together, aiming high, proud to be ourselves"

Main Office Information

29/09/23

This term our Core Value is



Opening Times 08.30-16.00 - Telephone: 01376 323071

Attendance - Emma Smith - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday AM

attendance@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk

Clubs, Letting's, Trips - Mary O'Malley - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

enquiries@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk

Nursery - Clare Ryan - Monday, Wednesday - Friday

office@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk Tiddly Winkers /

Finance - Catherine Rushen - Monday - Thursday

admin@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk

OUR OPEN DOOR POLICY

Please remember that we want you to chat with us about any queries or concerns that you may have. Mrs Christian will stand at either the front or back gate. You can speak to your child's class teacher after school, or please contact Mrs Christian via email head@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk

School meals week starting 02 Oct 2023 wk 1
School meals week starting 09 Oct 2023 wk 2

Deputy Head - Mrs E Turner

SENCo - Mrs L Bailey-Whyte

FS - Mrs K Yates

Yr 1 - Mrs D Nash

Yr 2 - Mrs H Cleary

Diary Dates:

Mon 9th October - Harvest Festival week

Weds 11 Oct - Fluenz

Mon 16 Oct - EYFS, Y1 & Yr2 Individual photos

Weds 18 Oct - Yr 1 phonics workshop (parents invited to see a session) 9.10am

Mon 23 Oct - Half term

Mon 30 Oct - Non Pupil Day

Week beginning 6th Nov Parents evenings

Tues 14 Nov EYFS phonics workshop (parents to see a session) 9.00am

Wednesday 15th EYFS phonics workshop (parents to see a session) 9.00

Fri 17 Nov - Spots and Stripes - Children in Need

Weds 22 Nov Yr 2 Maths workshop (parents to see a session) 9.00am

Thurs 23 Nov Yr 2 Maths workshop (parents to see a session) 9.00am

Weds 29 Nov EYFS Stay and Play 9.00am

Thurs 7 Dec Christmas Dinner and Jumper day

Fri 8 Dec - Non Pupil Day

Mon 11 Dec - Yr 2 Carols 2.15pm

Tues 12 Dec - EYFS nativity 9.10am

Weds 13 Dec - EYFS nativity 2.15

Thurs 14 Dec - Yr 1 Carols 2.15pm

Fri 15 Dec - Christmas Craft day

Mon 18 Dec - Nursery singing

Weds 20 Last day of term

Thur 4 Jan - First Day of Term

New items to the newsletter will be in **Blue**, items from the PTA/Friends will be in **Green**. Items that require Your attention will be in **red**.

Sickness A reminder that if your child has been sick or has diarrhoea they must stay away from school for at least 48 hours before returning back to school. When reporting your child absent from school, please ensure you call the school office before 9am on each day of their absence.



Brain Valley Rainbows are looking for more girls ages 4-7 years old to join them. We meet on Mondays at John Ray Infant school hall from 5.30pm-6.45pm. There are also other units nearby on different nights.

To register your daughter please use the link <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-a-child>

Please email - bvrainbows@outlook.com for further information.

Thank you to the parents/carers who donated cakes and attended our Macmillan coffee morning earlier today. All monies raised this morning will go to a very worthy cause.



HARVEST Festival
SHOPPING LIST

| Essential Items | To Maintain Our Stocks |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Jam | Instant Snack (Pot Noodle) |
| Tinned Cold Meat | Tinned Hot Meat (Stew, mince) |
| Packet Custard | Packet Soup |
| Cereal | Pasta Sauce |
| Sponge Puddings | Deodorant |
| UHT Milk | |

We ask that you please do not buy any of the items listed in this list as we are unable to accept any of the items listed in this list as we are unable to accept any of the items listed in this list.

We follow the standards set by the Food Standards Agency. We are only aware of any changes to our standards and our standards will be updated as soon as we are aware of any changes to our standards.

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We will be accepting food donations for our harvest festival from Monday 9th October. All food donations will be passed onto our local food bank to help local families in need.

Tiddly Winkers forms are available from the school office or from our website,
Please check with Mrs Rushen before you book as we are full on most days.

Late pick ups **will be charged** to attend Tiddly Winkers. Ask for further information from the school office or find out more on our website.



We still have 4 spaces on our recorder club. To book a space on the club book via parentmail. Please note that a recorder will be supplied.

Our Open Day for 2024 Admissions is:

SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER - 09.30am/11.30am

You can also book to have a tour of our school whilst the school is in session;

To book a school tour, please contact the school office and let us know which date you would like.

We cannot wait to show you our school!

Applications for a primary (reception) school place starting September 2024 can be made online between 6 November 2023 and 15 January 2024.

Thursday 28th September 9.30am

Tuesday 3rd October 9.00am

Friday 20th October 9.30am

Wednesday 1st November 9.30am

Saturday 4th November 9.30-11.30am - no need to book'

Monday 13th November 9.30am

Tuesday 12th December 2.00pm

Monday 8th January 9.30am



Please do encourage your children to stay with you before and after school and not to run around on the playgrounds or play on the equipment in the foundation stage or the back playground this includes siblings on the play equipment as well.



We are receiving complaints from neighbours that parents are parking illegally or parking across drive ways, please be mindful of our neighbours and park responsibly when on the school run.



The children will be coming home with a login and password for an online platform. Sing Up encourages and supports singing and musical learning with children and young people so that they: Learn to sing well and enjoy singing, Develop musical skills and understanding and experience the wider learning and developmental benefits that singing and music making provides Experience long-term benefits to their health and well-being . The children will be able to login and practise songs they are learning in assembly as well as in the class.

We love to celebrate any achievements the children have be awarded outside of school.

Please feel free to email Mrs Ryan, Office@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk with a description of what they have done. It can be to learn to ride a bike with or without stabilisers, swimming achievements, karate, litter picking, anything at all.



Charlie from Woodpeckers was awarded Beaver of the week! Well Done Charlie.

