



# John Ray Infant School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back, I hope you had a relaxing and restful half term. I certainly enjoyed the jubilee celebrations and what seemed to be an extra long weekend. Our street party on the last day of the half term was a massive success. The children had a brilliant time eating outside and parting with their friends. Their singing of the national anthem was also very impressive!

It has been lovely to see the children back in school and lots have been keen to tell me about the things they have been getting up to over half term. As the weather does seem to be getting hotter then can you ensure they have a hat and have applied suncream before coming to school

This week, as well as a return to classroom learning everyone has been getting ready for the sports day which are happening next week. A email letter has been sent with additional details about these. It will be lovely to see you there as things continue to return to a pre-covid 'normal'. It would be great to see as many as possible of you at Den Day on Friday – the children are extremely excited about this.

The winners of the competition run by 'Dementia Awareness' were announced in our Golden Book Assembly. Well done to Adam Sokol, Halle-Peyton Foster, Noah Carder, Julia Poloczek, Aleah Webster, Jude Travers, Victoria Pakosik, Haniel Yap and Anca Pietraru who all drew beautiful posters of memories which were special to them. They were selected by the charity themselves and all received prizes for either 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in their year group.

Thank you to those who attended our first Parent Forum meeting, it was great to explain the format of the meetings going forward and have some good discussion about things going well along with suggestions on ways we could improve. I appreciate current year two parents will not be here in September but if you have a child in the Year one, EYFS or the nursery and would like to join then please let me know. I currently have representation from Squirrels, Bumblebees, Dragonflies, Nursery and Otters.

You can not help but be aware of the rising cost of living and the stories which are dominating the news at the moment especially around fuel and electricity. Please do come and speak to me if you feel you are struggling to cope and might need support with this.

As always if you have any concerns then please catch me on the front or back gate, if I am not there then please email [head@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk](mailto:head@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk) and I will endeavour to reply as soon as I can. Thank you for those who have sent in their child's celebrations and achievements – these will be published in the information newsletter next week. I have loved seeing the sense of achievement from learning to ride a bike or first swimming certificate.

Have a fantastic weekend,

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Headteacher



