



John Ray Infant School & School House Nursery

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

Main Office Information

1/12/23



This term our Core Value is

CORE VALUES

Honesty

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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

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.



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.



Please have a look on our website to have a look at our job vacancies that we have available at the moment.

URL:

<https://www.johnrayinfants.com/page>

[/?title=Job+Opportunities&pid=363](https://www.johnrayinfants.com/page/?title=Job+Opportunities&pid=363)

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 Winklers /

Finance - Catherine Rushen - Monday - Thursday
admin@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk

School meals week starting 4th Dec 2023 wk 2

School meals week starting 11th Dec 2023 wk 1

Deputy Head - Mrs E Turner

SENCo - Mrs L Bailey-Whyte

FS Lead - Mrs K Yates

Yr 1 Lead - Mrs D Nash

Yr 2 Lead - Mrs H Cleary

Diary Dates:

Thurs 7 Dec Christmas Dinner and Jumper day

Fri 8 Dec - Non Pupil Day

Mon 11 Dec - Yr 2 Carols 2.15pm - info to follow

Tues 12 Dec - EYFS nativity 9.15am - info to follow

Weds 13 Dec - EYFS nativity 2.15pm - info to follow

Thurs 14 Dec - Yr 1 Carols 2.15pm - info to follow

Fri 15 Dec - School tour for Sept 24 starters

Fri 15 Dec - Christmas Craft day - info to follow

Mon 18 Dec - Nursery singing - info to follow

Weds 20 Dec - Last day of term

Don't forget its a Non Pupil

day on Friday 8th December.



**Christmas
JUMPER DAY**



Thursday 7th December Christmas Jumper day.

The children can come to school in their school uniform but wearing a Christmas jumper/top. Please can the children also bring in £1 all donations received will be donated to the Save the Children Charity.

Tiddly Winklers 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 Winklers. Ask for further information from the school office or find out more on our website.



Don't forget to have a look on a website for local SEN events happening in the area. Click on the link below:

URL:

<https://www.johnrayinfants.com/page/?title=Local+Attractions+%2F+Events&pid=357>

2024, September School Admissions, Year 3 and Foundation Stage

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



You can book 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!

Tuesday 12th December 2.00pm

Friday 15th December 10am - new date added

Monday 8th January 9.30am

Year 2 Parents/Carers

The junior admission round opened on 6 November 2023, for parents of children in Year 2 at an infant school to apply for a junior school (Year 3) place for September 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 15 January 2024.

From 6 November 2023, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

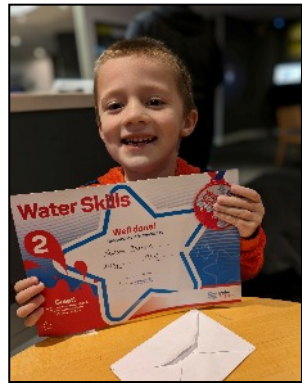
A promotional poster for the ParentMail app. At the top, a cartoon man with a megaphone says 'Attention all parents!'. Below this, a green banner reads 'Download the ParentMail App for the best way to pick up school messages'. A red circular badge says 'FREE DOWNLOAD'. The center features a hand holding a smartphone displaying the app's interface. To the left of the phone are three speech bubbles with positive reviews and five-star ratings. At the bottom, it says 'Search "ParentMail" in your App store...' and shows the Google Play and App Store logos. A 'BEST APP' award seal is also visible.

We love to celebrate any achievements the children have been 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.

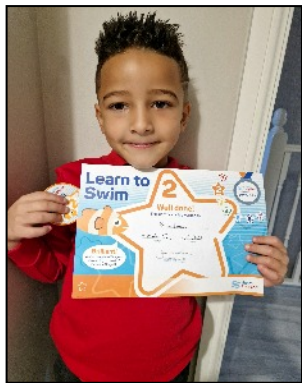


Well done to everyone who attended the Remembrance parade, especially to Michael, Frankie, Finley and Vinales.



Congratulations to Nathan D from WPs who has completed his Water Skills stage 2. Well Done!

Congratulations to Noah, he won Player of the match, and was a goal scorer at this weekend's match, with it being his birthday weekend too! Well Done!



Well done to Kerim on his achievement of completing stage 2 and going up a level in swimming! We're very proud of your confidence and hard work. Congratulations!

Harvey has earned his Blue Peter Silver Badge for raising £105 to help poorly children. He completed 5,000 steps, 1 mile Scooter ride and a 10m Swim. Congratulations and well done!



Congratulations to Gracie who has earned her 15m swimming badge. She was very pleased with herself. Well done!