



# John Ray Infant School

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

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new year at John Ray Infant. It has been very hot! The children have coped really well with the temperatures and it has been fantastic to see faces - both old and new.

Our new starters in EYFS have been familiarising themselves with the environment, classroom rules and routines. The staff have been very impressed by how quickly they have picked things up and we look forward to seeing them for the full day on Monday.

Year One and Two have settled beautifully in their new classrooms with their new classmates. I have been so impressed with their learning behaviours and how they are demonstrating our school rules of 'Be Kind, Be Safe and Be Responsible' around school.

Miss Devereux and her team have been busy over the summer preparing our spare school classroom as an additional space for Nursery and it has been wonderful to see the children thriving in there this week.

Mrs Turner and I will continue to be on either the front or back gate in the mornings if you wish to chat. In addition to this then we understand that for many people email is a quick and efficient way of communicating and we are therefore happy to provide staff email addresses this year and communicate class teachers' contact details. These can be found following the link - [Staff email addresses](#). Although email is a quick and easy way for parents to communicate with staff, matters that require urgent attention should be communicated via the school office. Staff are not expected to respond to emails after 5pm, during weekends/holidays or when off work due to sickness. Wherever possible, we aim for emails to be responded to within 2 school days. A parental agreement relating to email communication with teachers is attached. I can also be contacted at [head@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk](mailto:head@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk).

I am looking forward to all that this school year will bring and look forward to working with you all again,

Have a relaxing and restful weekend in the sun,

Kind regards,

*L Christian*

Headteacher

