



# John Ray Infant School & School House Nursery



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

Main Office Information

15/09/23

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 Winklers /

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

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.



School meals week starting 18 Sept 2023 wk 1  
School meals week starting 25 Sept 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:

Weds 20 Sept Otters, Sq and HH Welcome meetings 2.45pm

Thur 21 Sept - Year 2 trip to Walton on the Naze

Fri 29 Sept - Macmillan Coffee Morning - info to follow

Mon 16 Oct - EYFS, Y1 & Yr2 Individual photos

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

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) 9.00

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

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

Our Summer menu will continue until after the October half term. Please click on the link to see the menu:

URL:

<https://www.johnrayinfants.com/page/?title=Dinner+Menu&pid=59>

We are holding a year 1 welcome meeting on Weds 20 September, Year 1 Otters, SQ, HH.



A member of staff will be carrying out a house clearance next month and there will be available to anyone who needs them the following items; 2 single bed frames and 2 double bed frames, available, as well as a mattress, a small electric oven (like a tabletop one) if you are interested, please contact the school office.



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.



**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 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](mailto:Office@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk) with a description of what they had done. It can be to learn to ride a bike with or without stabilisers, swimming achievements, karate, litter picking, anything at all.



Essex County Council in collaboration with Essex Family Forum are delighted to announce that we are the Regional Hub for the East of England for Autism Central. This is a new programme designed and developed to deliver high-quality and accessible autism information, education and coaching for families, parents, carers, and personal assistants. Autism Central has been commissioned by NHS England's Workforce, Training and Education Team and is delivered by nine not-for-profit organisations.

Essex County Council are able to offer family members, carers and personal assistants of autistic children and adults a variety of group and individual sessions. These will focus on meeting the needs of autistic people and on signposting to access to local and national services. Sessions will be offered in person and online. These sessions will be facilitated by Peer Educators who are experts by experience and have a good understanding of autism.

This new programme is available to:

- family members of autistic adults and children
- partners/spouses and informal carers of autistic people
- personal assistants of autistic people

If you feel you may benefit, please contact [Peer Education Programme](#)

To find out more about how Peer Educators might be able to help you visit <https://www.autismcentral.org.uk/find-help> or to read more about the programme visit <https://www.autismcentral.org.uk/>

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Dont forget to have a look at our SEN section on our website for helpful/usefull information.

URL:

<https://www.johnrayinfants.com/page/?title=SEN+Area&pi>

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### The National Autism Peer Education Programme

Peer Education Programme | Essex Local Offer

The National Autism Peer Education Programme are offering families and carers of autistic people high-quality and easily accessible autism education, training, and support. Essex County Council in collaboration with Essex Family Forum, have been funded by Autism Central to deliver the East of England region of the programme.

Also provided are online information sessions about autism including anxiety, sensory needs, back to school support as well as fortnightly informal drop-in sessions. For more information, to book onto a group session, or request one-to-one support, visit the Autism Central website (Find help | Autism Central).