



John Ray Infants School & Nursery School House

Learning together, aiming high, proud to be ourselves

Newsletter date: 9th January 2026

Main Office Information

Opening hours:

Monday – Thursday 8.30am – 4pm

Friday – 8.30am – 3.30pm

Attendance – Mrs Louise Price

Admissions – Mrs Louise Price

Clubs, lettings, and trips – Mrs Louise Price

Nursery & Finance – Mrs Clare Ryan

Tiddly Winkers – Mrs Wiltshire **(Please note we are full)**

Contact email:

johnrayinfant@compassps.uk

Open Door Policy

Please remember we are here if you would like to chat to us. Mrs Christian will stand at either the front or back gate. You can also speak with your child's teacher after school once all children have been seen out.

Contact email:

lchristian@compassps.uk

Sickness:

If your child is poorly, please call the school office prior to 9am. Our office phone lines open at 8.30am but, you are able to leave a voicemail prior to this time. Please ensure you explain the symptoms and not just say your child is unwell.

Please note that any child with sickness or diarrhoea must be clear for 48 hours before returning to school.

Thank you for your co-operation



Please can I remind our parents/carers that we are a nut free school. This includes Nutella bars and pesto

Dates for your diary:

Week commencing 5th January – Week 1 menu

January 2026

W/C 12th January – Teacher clubs begin

13th January – Sports clubs begin

15th January – Movie and munch – booking required via MCAS

22nd January – Year 2 reading workshop 9am

27th January - Happy Days individual photos

28th January – Year 1 maths workshop 9am

29th January – Reception maths workshop 9am

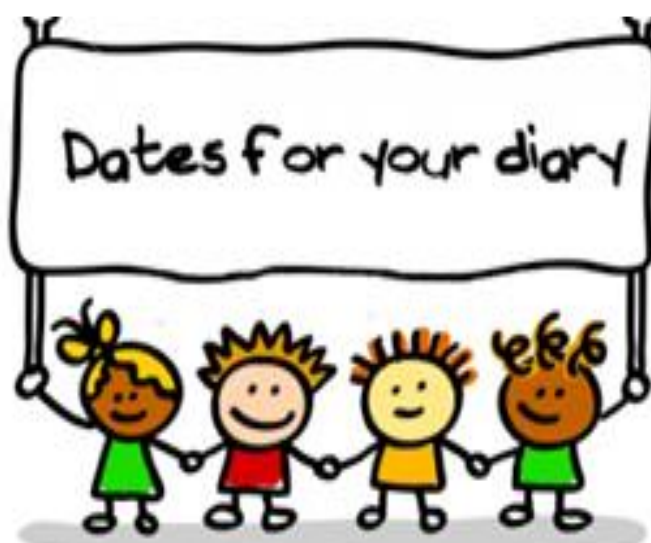
3rd February – SEN tea and chat

W/C 9th March – Parents evening

These dates may be subject to change, but we will give advance notice where possible. Timings for all the above events will be sent out nearer the time.

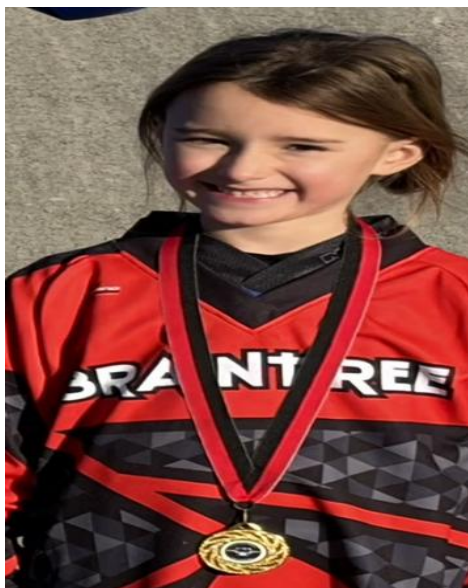
Late collections

A reminder to all parents/carers School finishes at 3.15pm. Please ensure you collect your child/children on time. A late fee of £5 will be added to your MYCAS account for late collections



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

Please feel free to email johnrrayinfant@compassps.uk with a description of what they have done. It could be that they learnt to ride a bike with or without stabilisers, swimming achievements, karate, litter picking etc.



Well done to Ruby who received a medal for her BMX race. What an amazing achievement.

Well done to Mia who achieved her 5-metre swimming badge and certificate. We are so proud of your commitment



Reminders:

Clothing:

Please ensure your children have suitable clothing now the cold weather has arrived. **Please ensure that all clothes are labelled, including hats, gloves, shoes, as many children have similar sizes and are from the same shop.** We have so many unclaimed clothing items as they have not been named. Please check with your class teacher if you are missing any items.

Jewellery:

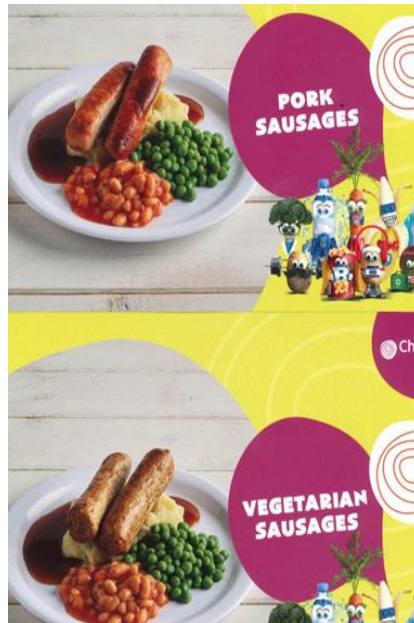
Please note that children cannot wear any jewellery for P.E sessions. Please can jewellery be removed before coming into school.

Week 2 menu

Monday



Tuesday (Year 1 & 2 only)



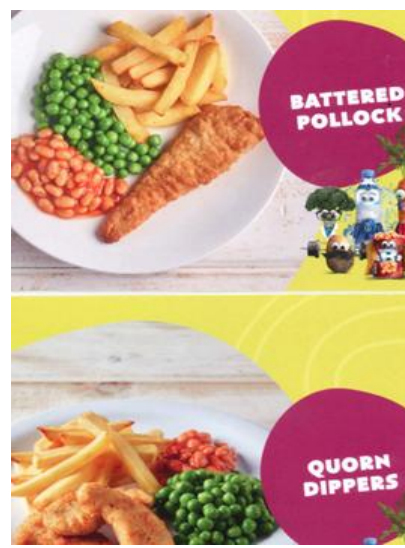
Wednesday



Thursday



Friday



BRAINTREE CARNIVAL COURT 2026!

Braintree & Bocking Carnival are looking for their new court for 2026/27.

Anyone aged between 5-18 and living in a CM7 postcode can enter to become one of our Princesses or Queen for the upcoming carnival season. The court enjoy a year of visiting other carnivals, attending local events, competitions and having fun.

Over the year the court build friendships, gain confidence and enjoy representing our town.

Taking place on the Friday 20th February 2026 (will need to be available that evening if selected).

If you are interested please come along to Jardins East Street Braintree CM7 3JW @1pm 20/02/26

To find out more please contact:
07914829457

