



John Ray Infants School & Nursery School House

Learning together, aiming high, proud to be ourselves

Newsletter date: 18th September 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 Ryan (**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 21st September 2026 – Week 3 menu

21st September – Clubs begin (Excluding bookworm)

24th September – Macmillian Coffee afternoon (2.30pm school hall)

29th September – Bookworm club begins

12th October – Individual photos

W/C 19th October – Parents evenings

19th October – Year 1 & 2 book look (2.50pm)

22nd October – Reception harvest singing

26th – 30th October – Half term

7th November – 9.30am – 11am School open morning for Reception 2027

11th November – Flu vaccine

20th November – Child in Need, wear spots

24th November – Reception phonics workshop (9am)

25th November – Year 1 phonics workshop (9am)

26th November – Year 2 phonics workshop

11th December – Christmas dinner and jumper day

15th December – Reception Nativity (PM)

16th December – Reception Christmas crafts (AM)

17th December – Nursery Christmas carols

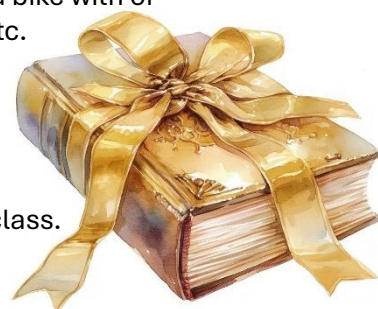
These dates may be subject to change, but we will give advance notice where possible. Timings for all the above events will be sent out nearer the time.



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

Please feel free to email johnrayinfant@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.

Golden book awards:



Reception

Dragonflies – Rosie, for being a kind helpful and mature member of Dragonflies class.

Well done

Ladybirds – Poppy, for being an amazing role model and for persevering with her learning

Bumblebees – Maya, for coming into school with a happy face every day this week

Year 1

Hedgehog – Raul, for trying really hard in English and handwriting this week

Squirrel – Nathaniel, for always having a great attitude to learning. You try really hard and set a brilliant example to others. Well done

Otter – Katie, for transitioning so well between activities, for initiating contact with adults and for increased engagement throughout the day

Mole – Ayesha, well done for being an amazing Mole! We are proud of you because you always try your best

Year 2

Kestrels – Jason, for showing positive learning behaviours

Woodpecker – Luis, for being an excellent role model and for demonstration exceptional knowledge and understanding in his learning

Robin – Onur, you have blown us away with all your learning this week. You were our geography class expert this week. What a star

Mr Mill's sports award: Henry, for demonstrating great listening skills and leading by example

Reminders

Jewellery:

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

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

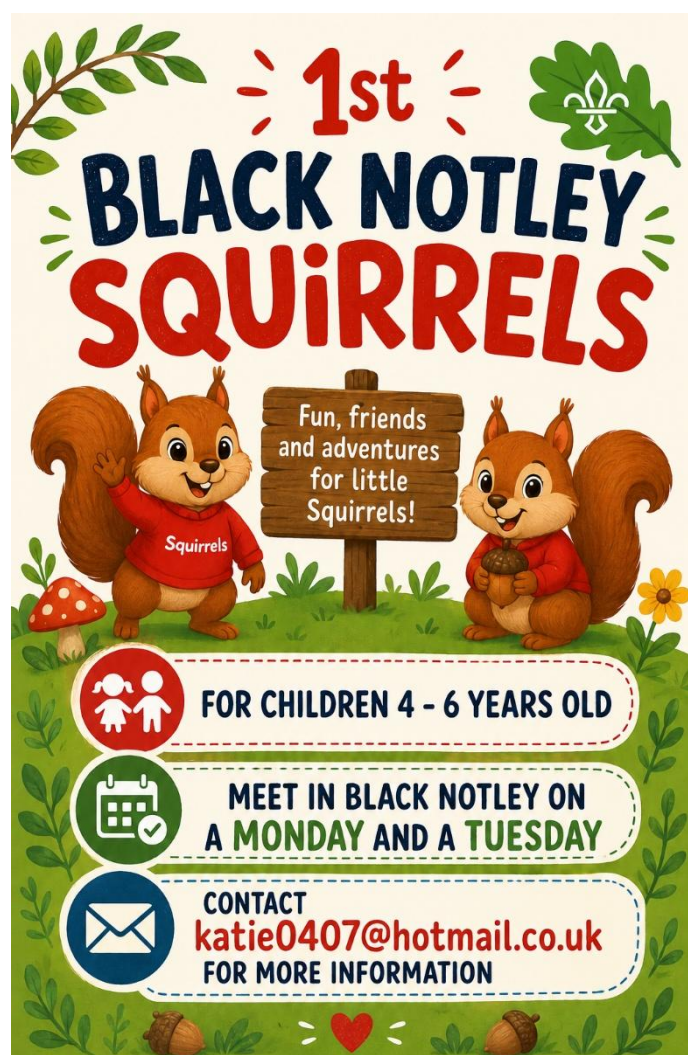
Clothing:

Please ensure your children have suitable clothing for the warmer weather. Please ensure that all clothes are labelled, including sun hats/shoes, as many children have similar sizes and are from the same shop. Please check with your class teacher if you are missing any items. Please ensure that sunscreen is applied prior to school on the hotter temperature days.

Are you worried about a child?

As a school, we consider safeguarding to be a priority. We welcome parents and carers talking openly to us about their concerns for the safeguarding of children and families. Remember, safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you have any concerns about a child, you can contact one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads via the school office. Please ask to speak to Mrs Christian, Mrs Turner or Mrs Lee and specify that you have a safeguarding concern.

If you are worried about a child or young person, you can call the NSPCC helpline for support and advice for free on 0808 800 5000. If a child is in immediate danger, you should call 999.
Children can call Childline at any time on 0800 1111



Thursday 24th September 2026

Location: John Ray Infant School Hall
Time: 2.30pm – 3.10pm

All cake donations gratefully received
via the school office.

Homemade or shop bought.

If you are making your donations at home, please ensure you print off the attached 'Natasha's Law' form for allergens or collect one from the school office.



Please remember we are
a nut free school.

**Everyone welcome,
(Aunties/Uncles/Cousins/Grandparents/Friends)**

Please come and have a drink and
a slice of cake with friends old and new!

We are also asking for children to bring in a 20p contribution to go to Macmillan. Each child will receive a cookie cooked by our kitchen staff on Thursday 24th September 2026.