



John Ray Infants School & Nursery School House

Learning together, aiming high, proud to be ourselves.

Newsletter date: 7th October 2024

Main Office information

Opening Hours;

Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 4pm

Friday - 8.30am - 3.30pm

Attendance - Mrs Price

Clubs, lettings and Trips - Mrs Price

Nursery & Finance - Mrs Ryan

Tiddly Winkers - Mrs Ryan

Contact email address;

iricontact@compassps.uk

Open Door Policy

Please remember that 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 class teacher after school once all of the children have been seen out.

Contact email address;

lchristian@compassps.uk

Dates for your diary;

W/C 10th October - Menu week 3

14th October - Whole school individual and sibling photos

21st/22nd October - Year 1 trip to the Toy Museum

23rd October - Deadline for Harvest Festival donations

25th October - Stay and read 9am - 9.30am

28th October - start of half term

4th November - Children return to school

W/C 4th November - Parents evening

8th November - Flu vaccine (All year groups)

15th November - Child in Need - wear sports wear

19th November - Reception Phonics workshop 9am

20th/21st November - Year 1 Maths workshop

26th/27th November - Year 1 phonics workshop 9am

10th December - Choir signing and Hawthorn

12th December - Choir signing at Riverdale

13th December - Christmas Dinner/ Jumper day

17th December - Reception Nativity 2pm

16th December - Year 2 Carols and crafts

17th December - Year 1 Carols & crafts

23rd December - Christmas holidays



Donations needed:

Small world (castles, farms, buildings)

Small world people

Little Tikes cars

Little Tikes petrol pump

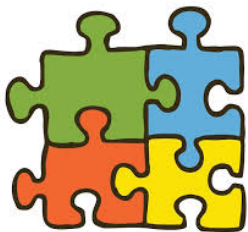
Puzzles (that have all the pieces)

SEN:

SEN hour at the upcoming ARU Family Science Days in Chelmsford on 26th/27th October. Free booking is required

Halsted Empire theatre have some autism friendly screenings just £1 per ticket

<https://empire-theatre.co.uk/EmpireTheatre.dll/WhatsOn?f=15773>



Headteacher - Mrs L Christian

Deputy Head - Mrs E Turner

FS Lead - Mrs Pennell

Year 1 Lead - Mrs Yates

Year 2 Lead - Mrs H Cleary

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

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



At the beginning of the month, Ruby took part in a Jump Camp day at her horse riding centre. She came 1st place in her group, which included a clear round in the fastest time! Well done Ruby!!



Reminders:

School photos - children to come in in uniform, if they have PE to bring their trainers in with them

Playground equipment - Please do encourage your children to stay with you before and after school and not to run around on the playgrounds or play equipment in the Foundation playground or in the back playground

Sickness - If your child has been sick or has diarrhoea they must stay away from school for at least 48 hours before returning to school.

Absence - Please ensure you call the school before 8.30am on each day of your child's absence. Please do not just say your child is unwell, please explain what their symptoms are.

School uniform - Please remember to label all of your child's school uniform - in particular jumpers and cardigans

My Child at School app - If you have not received the link to sign up to the MYCAS account for your child please contact the School Office.

School tour dates for Reception 2025:

17th and 22nd October 9.45am - Please contact jricontact@compassps.uk to book a space

School Open Day - Saturday 2nd November 10am - 12pm (No need to book)

Applications for a primary (Reception) school place to start in September 2025 can be made on line between **4th November 2024 - 15th January 2025**.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-school-places#:~:text=You%20can%20apply%20for%20primary,2024%20and%2015%20January%202025.>