

Welcome to Reception



Strategic Leadership Team (SLT)

Mr W. Pedro – Head Teacher

Miss M. Cabero – Deputy Head Teacher

Mrs A. Rose – Assistant Head Teacher

Miss N. Rajan-Weare - Assistant Head Teacher

Mrs S. James – School Business Manager

Key Practitioners in Reception



**Mrs Willmer
Teacher**



**Miss Akther
Teacher**



**Ms Karir
Teacher**



**Mrs Sudol
Teacher**



**Mrs Sampson
Learning Support Assistant**

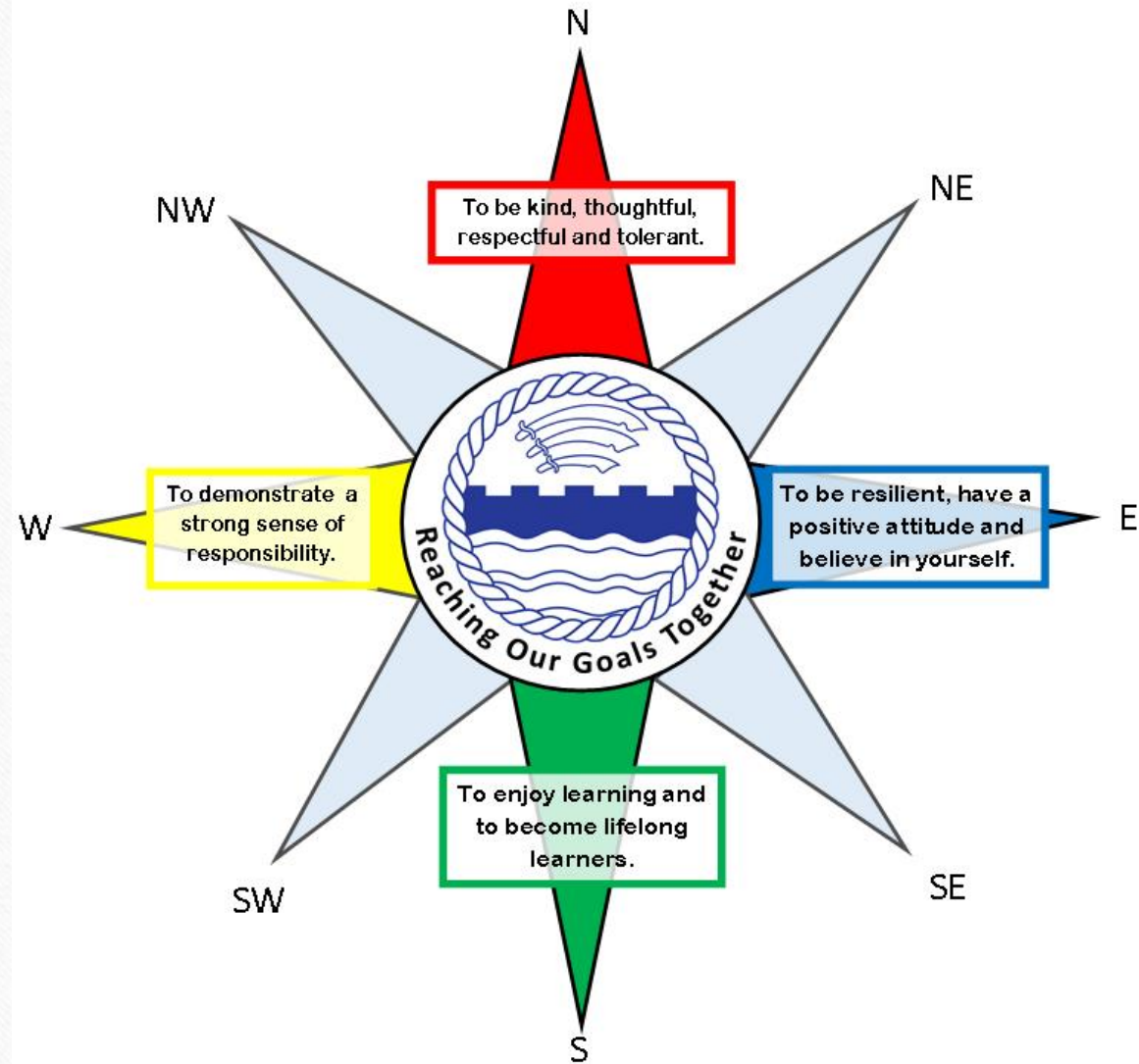


**Miss Borg
Learning Support Assistant**



**Miss Dragu
Learning Support Assistant**

Our values:



Keeping children safe

At John Perry Primary school our top priority is the **safety and welfare** of our pupils.

- On dropping your child off at school, ensure the member of staff has seen your child entering or leaving the building
- Please be patient at home times. We have to dismiss young children slowly and one at a time to ensure everyone leaves with an appropriate adult. We also have lots of new faces to remember and get to know!
- We also need to mark the children off the fire evacuation register as they leave
- Please inform staff and the office if someone different is collecting your child - they will not be dismissed to an unknown adult
- **If you need to speak with your child's teacher please wait until they are ready. They must be able to monitor children arriving and leaving safely and with no distractions. Thank you for your cooperation.**



Keeping children safe - medical and dietary requirements

- Please keep us up to date regarding medical conditions, allergies and dietary requirements
- Asthma pumps and Epipens must be signed over to the office and correct procedures followed
- Children must not bring any medicines into school. Staff are not allowed to administer medicine or apply creams unless agreed with SLT, welfare staff and in extreme circumstances



School uniform

Thank you for ensuring children are dressed in school uniform.

- Please be reminded that **NO jewellery** is allowed until Year 3
- Tracksuit bottoms are fine too in reception as they are easy for the children to pull up and down by themselves.
- Velcro shoes instead of laces are very helpful in increasing the children's independence!
- Please help children to practise putting on their coats, jumpers, socks/tights by themselves!



School dinners

- Lots of children take a little while to get used to having school meals so please try not to worry if at first they do not eat much
- Please look at the dinner menu on the website and help your children make choices
- Please help prepare your child by encouraging them to cut their food with a knife and fork by themselves
- Alongside their school dinner, there is a salad cart with various tasty options for children to try



Packed lunches

We would like all packed lunches to include:

- At least one portion of fruit/vegetables (apple, dried fruit, cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks etc.)
- Meat, fish or other source of non-dairy protein (chicken, turkey, tuna, lentils, chick peas etc.)
- Oily fish such as salmon at least once every month.
- A starchy food such as any type of bread, pasta, rice, noodles, potatoes or cereal.
- Dairy foods such as cheese, yoghurt, fromage frais or custard.
- Low sugar squash or water. Water and milk are freely available in the dining hall.



Please avoid:

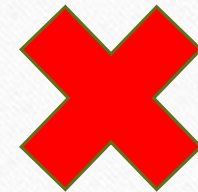
- Snacks such as crisps
- Confectionary such as chocolate bars, biscuits and sweets
- Fizzy drinks, drinks with added sugar or sweetener. Drinks in glass bottles, or ring pull cans
- Left over takeaway
- Lunch boxes should not regularly include items that are high in fat or salt. For example cooked sausages, sausage rolls, chipolatas, corned meat, meat pies
- Please do not bring in food that needs to be warmed up



Sharing sweets

The school does not allow children to bring confectionary, cakes or crisps into school to celebrate their birthdays or religious events.

In line with the government guidelines of a balanced diet, on some special occasions throughout the school year, children will be allowed a treat. This may be during class parties or at fundraising events.



Attendance and punctuality

- Please ensure children **attend school everyday** unless they are unwell or in special circumstances. Please notify the office of any reasons for absence or of any medical appointments etc.
- Please ensure you bring you child to school on time. Lessons begin as soon as children arrive and latecomers miss out on important learning opportunities.
- Pupils are encouraged to attend school and to be punctual with certificates, class rewards
- If every child is in school, they will be rewarded a letter on the '**Every day Matters**' chart. Once every letter has been awarded, they will be able to attend school in their own clothes and have a party!
- The school now issues **fines** for **term time holidays**



Reading

- Please try to read to/with your child everyday
- Your child will have the opportunity to take books home from school to borrow
- Children must have a bag in order to borrow a book
- Please talk about the pictures with your child and make up stories. Ask questions e.g. 'What might happen next?' 'Why did that character do/say that?' etc.
- Please encourage children to take care of books and keep them out of reach of younger siblings!
- Please use the reading log to make notes and communicate with your child's teacher
- Your child will receive a 'Bug Club' username and password so they can access online reading books and games.



Pre-writing skills

- Before children begin writing, it is important that their hands and fingers are strong enough.
- Fine motor activities such as threading beads, doing up buttons, pegging washing on a line, squeezing play dough and popping bubble wrap are great for strengthening little fingers!
- Mark making doesn't always have to be with a pen and paper - try writing with fingers in wet sand, in shaving foam, with paint brushes and water onto concrete, with chalk on the ground etc. Please ask your child's teacher for more ideas!



Cooking/tasting activities

- We would like to do cooking and tasting activities regularly with the children
- In order to help us to buy ingredients, we ask for a voluntary contribution of £2 per month from each pupil
- Handling and preparing food regularly can be very beneficial for those 'fussy' eaters!
- All children's dietary requirements are carefully considered when planning cooking lessons. Suitable alternatives are planned that are appropriate for each child.



Behaviour – Stay on Green!

- John Perry Primary School promotes high standards in behaviour
- We use a 'Stay on Green' behaviour system (please see school policy for more detail)
- Pupils are given praise, rewards, responsibilities and house tokens to encourage good behaviour
- Pupils can achieve a 'Star of the week' award
- Warnings are given reminding pupils of our school rules
- Pupils are given opportunities to work their way back to green after making mistakes
- Each day starts fresh with all children on green



Parent involvement

Triple P – Parenting support programme offering advice on common issues such as establishing bedtime routines in young children

PTA – Are you interested in joining the John Perry PTA? You could support your child's school by getting involved in fundraising and organising and running events such as quiz nights, discos, school fairs and lots more!

ESOL – Would you like some support in learning English as an additional language?

Sessions will run online if due to the health situation we are unable to invite parents/carers into school



Keeping you informed

- Each half term you will receive a **newsletter** outlining the curriculum and learning taking place in your child's year group
- We hold two **parent/teacher consultation** meetings throughout the year to discuss your child's progress and targets
- Parents are welcome to arrange a meeting with class teachers at other times if required
- Parents are invited into school termly to share and **view pupil profiles** with your child. We would love you to add your own contributions
- Please ensure you have signed up to **Weduc** - our electronic communication system





Please visit the John Perry Primary
School website regularly for
information, school policies, important
dates and exciting news and photos from
each year group

www.johnperryprimary.co.uk

At John Perry Primary School we strive for strong home/school partnerships. If there is anything that we can do in order to help support your child or your family please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.



Any questions or
comments?

Please email the school office
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