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Dear Parents,

Firstly, we would like to extend a very warm welcome to you all at John Perry Primary School. We are very pleased that you have decided to start your child's educational journey with us and we hope that in this year we will build a strong relationship not only with your child but also with you as parents and carers.

There are a few reminders that we would like to bring to your attention in order to start the year off positively. Firstly, please ensure that your child is sent to school every day in the correct uniform with every item clearly labelled. Guidance on this can be found on the school website. Secondly, we are a Healthy Eating School and therefore do not allow items such as crisps or chocolate in children's lunch boxes. Thirdly, please be reminded that children are not allowed to wear any jewellery in EYFS or KS1. This is for safety reasons. Please remove any earrings, bracelets and/or necklaces before your child returns to school on Monday morning. Finally, please make sure that you provide your child with a water bottle daily. This must contain only water, not juices are allowed. Water bottles can be refilled regularly during the day as and when the children require it.

From the third week of term, we will begin conducting the Reception Baseline Assessment, this is a statutory government assessment which all reception age children must have within the first six weeks of starting school. I can assure you that it a very low-key assessment and consists of a variety of simple activities for the children to complete on a 1:1 basis with the class teacher. We do not issue results from the baseline, it merely provides us, as teachers, with each child's starting point at the beginning of their educational journey, in order to ensure that we can help all children to make good progress and achieve their best over the course of the year. If you have any concerns or questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Dates for your diary:

**Reception Parent's Meeting 9:10am in the KS1 hall**

**Reception Phonics Meeting 9:10am in the KS1 hall**

We look forward to getting to know you and your child this term and hope that this is the start of a very successful year for them.

Mrs Rix (RN), Miss Lester (RZ) and Mrs Sudol (RD)

