John Perry Primary School

Newsletter

Issue 4 – Monday 20th October 2025

Note from our Executive Head Teacher

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Cultural Day on Thursday. It was wonderful to see so many of you there; we were delighted by the incredible variety of food that was brought in and shared. A true celebration of our community's diversity! We would also like to say a heartfelt thank you for your kind donations to our Harvest Festival**.** All food collected will be going to the Barking Food Bank**,** where it will make a real difference to local families in need.
A quick reminder that our Halloween Disco will take place this Tuesday in the dining hall, we're looking forward to seeing lots of spooky costumes and dancing fun! Please see times in the calendar below.

On Friday 24th October, children are invited to wear an item of pink to school to help raise awareness and show our support for Breast Cancer Awareness.

As we approach the half term break, I'd like to wish you all a restful and enjoyable week. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 3rd November for the second half of the autumn term.

Attendance and Punctuality

Key Stage winners
EYFS: RN with 96.5**%**
ARP: Sea with 91.6%
KS1: 2W with 98.3%
LKS2: 4J with 97%
UKS2: 5L with 99.6%
Overall whole school attendance:
94.8% (**Below** target of 96.1%)

Safeguarding our pupils

If you are worried about a child, please complete a confidential form (available at the School Office) and return it to the office or a member of the Safeguarding Team as soon as possible:

Miss Rajan-Weare: Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Langridge: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Buckle: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Walker: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Hart: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Southall and Mrs Rose: Safeguarding Governors

Words of the Week

W/b 20/10/2025: Our School Values: Responsibility

W/b 03/11/2025: Anti-bullying – Social bullying

Cultural Day Celebration at John Perry School

Our Cultural Day was a truly special occasion that brought the John Perry community together to celebrate the many cultures that make our school unique. Pupils and staff proudly wore the colours of their national flags, filling the school with joy, pride, and a vibrant atmosphere.

A highlight of the day was the food festival after school, where families shared delicious homemade dishes from around the world. Thank you to all the parents and carers for your generosity and support in making this possible.

Events like Cultural Day remind us of the strength and beauty of our diverse community. We look forward to celebrating together again next year!



Mrs Ogun's Book Recommendations

EYFS/KS1: '**Through the Magic Mirror'** by Anthony Browne**.** Toby is fed up. Fed up with books, fed up with toys, fed up with everything. But when he walks through the magic mirror, things are amazingly different. Toby can hardly believe his eyes! Anthony Browne's first book is full of the surreal details and visual humour that have made him one of the world's most popular and acclaimed picture book artists.

KS2: '**Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes**' by Jonathan Auxier. This is the tale of a ten-year-old blind orphan who has been schooled in a life of thievery. One fateful afternoon, he steals a box from a mysterious traveling haberdasher—a box that contains three pairs of magical eyes. When he tries the first pair, he is instantly transported to a hidden island where he is presented with a special quest: to travel to the dangerous Vanished Kingdom and rescue people in need.

Calendar for Autumn 1/2: Octobe/Novemberr 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
20 Word of the Week Assemblies: Our School Values – Responsibility Diwali National Child Measurement Programme for Year 6 (Day 1 of 2)	21 National Child Measurement Programme for Year 6 (Day 2 of 2) Halloween disco: Reception & KS1 15.10-16.20 KS2 16.30-17.40 (dining hall)	22	23	24 Wear It Pink Day for breast cancer– children and staff wear something pink Virtual Celebration Assemblies School breaks up at the usual times	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
October Half Term Break – School Closed. All children return to school on Monday 3rd November 2025						
3 Day 1 of Autumn 2 for all pupils Word of the Week Assemblies: Anti-bullying – Social Bullying	4 Met Police, delivering assembly for UKS2 – 11:00, Juniors' Hall	5 Black History Month showcase- parents to view work in classrooms: -Reception, KS1 and ARP- 14.50-15.10 -KS2- 15.05-15.25	6 Remembrance Day webinar (Stories Behind the Poppies) for Years 5 and 6 – 09:30 (in class)	7 Virtual Celebration Assemblies	8	9
10 Anti-Bullying Week ARP, KS1 and 2 Assessment Week Word of the Week Assemblies: Remembrance	11 Remembrance Day Memorial service for Remembrance Day: 10:50, outside Dagenham Parish Church – selected children Reception Teacher presentation and Phonics meeting – 14:30, Juniors' Hall	12 Braiswick Photographers in school – pupil individual photos *(letter to follow)*	13 Reception to Yr6 flu vaccination – Juniors' hall (session 2 of 2) Zones of Regulation and Thrive presentation to parents – 09:10 Juniors' Hall.	14 Children in Need – children dress in spots *(letter to follow)* Virtual Celebration Assemblies	15	16

Harvest Festival Appeal – Thank You

A huge thank you to all the parents, carers, and families who donated to this year's Harvest Festival appeal. Your kindness and generosity were truly inspiring. We collected an impressive range of tins, packets, and household essentials, all of which have been donated to Barking Foodbank to support local families in need.

The Harvest Festival is a time to give thanks and support others, and your contributions showed the strength and compassion of our school community. Thank you for making this year's appeal such a meaningful success.



Please ensure that school has your updated contact details and end of the day dismissal permissions.

Stars of the Week

Friday 17th October 2025

NAM: Crystal Cooper NPM: Aleeyah Ayanlowo						
Reception:	RD	Usman Chowdhury	RZ	Victoria Seremet	RN	Leo Read
Year One:	1B	Muskaan Zaara	1S	Mia Mae Gibbs	1A	Logan Bastien-Folkes
Year Two:	2C	Virginia Da Silva Tavares	2R	Isaac Adofo	2W	Faraaz Faraaz
Year Three:	3M	David Rosca.	3H	Amelia Khan.	3F	Mihail Hristov
Year Four:	4V	Logan Bester	4K	Andrew Meme	4J	Milana Hetman
Year Five:	5T	Chibuchi Nkeaka	5L	Anaya Rahman	5U	Qailah Rahman
Year Six:	6I	Aryaan Chowdhury	6G	Israel Antwl	6P	Hashir Saeed
ARP:	**Sea Class:** Jeremiah Asihene **Sky Class:** Ianis Andriescu					

Friday 10th October 2025

NAM: Elif Kisa NPM: Venera Bus						
Reception:	RD	Kareem Balajo	RZ	Aliyar Rahman	RN	Aarohan Rai
Year One:	1B	Amelia	1S	Isaiah Rasaki	1A	Maya Malek
Year Two:	2C	Eva Aje	2R	Marley Bear OsborneWalmsley	2W	Briella Makeni
Year Three:	3M	J L N	3H	Eliyana Amoah.	3F	Sara Ahmed.
Year Four:	4V	Lillie Bradford	4K	Darius Gramada	4J	Camille Coulibaly
Year Five:	5T	Ronnie Jeakins	5L	Michael Lagui Gnazale	5U	Kaloyan Hristov
Year Six:	6I	Zahara Johnson	6G	Oceane Coulibaly	6P	Ersa Gaxha
ARP:	**Sea Class:** Suleiman Hossain **Sky Class:** Silviu Chitariu					

Well Done to All our Stars!