John Perry Primary School

Newsletter

Issue 1 – Monday 14th September 2026

Note from our Head Teacher

At the end of our second week, it has been lovely to see the children settling back into school life and becoming familiar again with our routines and expectations.

Thank you to parents and carers for helping us achieve such a smooth start to the Autumn Term, particularly by ensuring that children attend every day and arrive on time. Good attendance and punctuality are essential: every day in school matters and supports children's learning, progress and wellbeing.

Please remember our **Parent Code of Conduct** and the importance of treating staff, other parents and members of our school community with courtesy and respect.

For health and safety, children and siblings must **not ride bicycles or scooters in the playground**. Please also ensure that children **do not bring personal items, such as toys or pencil cases, into school**. We provide everything they need for learning, and personal belongings can become lost, damaged or cause unnecessary distraction.

Teachers are always happy to speak with parents, but drop-off and collection are busy times when their priority must be safely welcoming and dismissing children. Please arrange a convenient time for longer conversations.

Attendance and Punctuality

Please remember to inform the school office, as soon as possible, if your child will be absent from school.

Key Stage winners

EYFS: RN with 97.6%
ARP: Sky with 100 %
KS1: 1A with 100%
LKS2: 4J with 99.6%
UKS2: 6P with 98.4%
Overall whole school attendance: 93.8% (**Below** our target of 96%)

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:

Mrs Walker: Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Langridge: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Buckle: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Hart: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Lane: Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Southall and Mrs Rose: Safeguarding Governors

Words of the Week

W/b 14/09/2026: Thoughtfulness

W/b 21/09/2026: Democracy

🌈 Celebrating Difference

At John Perry, we celebrate the fact that every child is unique. Children have different personalities, interests, strengths and ways of learning, and these differences help to make our school community special.

We encourage our children to be curious about one another, to ask questions respectfully and to understand that being different is something to celebrate. We want every child to feel valued, accepted and confident to be themselves.

As families, you can support this by talking to your child about what makes people unique and encouraging kindness, empathy and respect towards others.

Class Teacher Presentation Meetings

You will have the opportunity to hear what your children will be learning this term at the Teacher Presentation Meetings. Dates and times for the meetings are:

- Monday 28/09: Year 1 meeting 14:40-15:10
- Tuesday 29/02: Year 2 meeting 14:40-15:10
- Wednesday 30/09: Year 3 meeting 14:55-15:25
- Thursday 01/10: Year 4 meeting 14:55-15:25
- Tuesday 06/10 Years 5 and 6 meetings 09:00-09:30

Mrs Lane's English Corner

Oracy Matters: How can you help at home?

Oracy is the ability to express oneself fluently in speech. It involves a range of skills such as speaking clearly, listening actively. Engaging in discussions, presenting ideas effectively and interpreting others' viewpoints.

We are working hard on improving oracy across the school. You can support your child's oracy at home by following a few simple top tips.

1. **Ask open-ended questions**
Instead of asking 'How was school? (Which triggers a one-word answer), try asking, "What was the best part of your day today? or "What made you laugh today?"

2. Ban "Yes" or "No" answers
Gently encourage your child to explain and develop their answers. If they say they liked a lesson, ask them, "Which part did you find the most interesting? Which part was the most challenging?

3. Incorporate chat into routines:
Use everyday tasks like cooking dinner or setting the table to talk through what you are doing; this will help to rapidly build real-life vocabulary.

Calendar for Autumn 1: September 2026						
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**	**Saturday**	**Sunday**
14 Word of the Week Assemblies: **Thoughtfulness –** linked to Jeans for Genes week Interviews for House Captains and House Vice-Captains	15		17 Interviews for Playground Buddies	18 Jeans for Genes Day – pupils and staff dressed in jeans Celebration Assemblies	19	20
21 Word of the Week Assemblies: **Democracy –** linked to School Council elections	22 Green House reward (Summer term House winner)	23	24 KS2 School Council elections	25 Celebration assemblies	26	27

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

Internet Safety Advice

How to protect your online identity?

The first rule to remember when you are online is to never share personal information with **people you don't know well in real life**. This includes **friends of friends**, as well as **complete strangers**.

If you feel **unsure** about someone online, or they make you feel **uncomfortable**, stop contact straight away and tell a trusted adult.
People you meet online may not be who they say they are, so **never arrange to meet someone** you have met online in the real world.



Stars of the Week

Friday 11th September 2026

NAM: Melisa Peraka NPM: Sara Khan						
Reception:	RD	Emily Pashkaj	RZ	Zenaida Cirlescu	RN	Eira Phan
Year One:	1B	Kenzo Muca	1S	Kaci-Mae Glossop Geary	1A	Aliyar Rahman
Year Two:	2C	Hudson	2R	Daniele Vitkauskaite	2W	Aliya Asghar
Year Three:	3M	Amethyst Cornibert	3H	Umaisa Rahman	3F	Issabelle Olaiya.
Year Four:	4V	Remmi Bell	4K	Sara Ahmed	4J	Mateo Alia
Year Five:	5T	Emily Popowska	5L	Abir Ahmed	5U	Kaiden-Jay Muskett
Year Six:	6I	Emad Abdulkadir	6G	Zayaan Qureshi	6P	Rachida Mustafa
ARP:	**Sea Class:** Jeremiah Asihene **Sky Class:** Ayaan Hoque					
Swimmer of the week	Anaya Rahman					

Well done to all our stars!