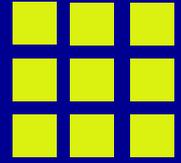


# NINE ACRES NEWS



*'Striving for Excellence'*

**Friday 23rd March 2018**

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Dear Families,

Our Year 5 children had an amazing start to the week by taking in the sights of London. They had an action packed two days, with a ride on the London Eye, a visit to the Science Museum, the Houses of Parliament and watched a West End Show. It was great to hear all about the learning experiences that the children enjoyed and to receive amazing feedback from the Theatre company!



***" The children of Nine Acres Primary school showed impeccable behaviour and manners, not only enjoying the show, but really respecting all of the people they were with as a group"*** – Theatre Event Team.



Well done Year 5 on being fantastic ambassadors for Nine Acres.

After the success of our aeroplane competition last Friday, Science week continued this week, starting with a whole school science fair on Monday. All children had the opportunity to carry out their own scientific experiments, then they discussed their results. Some of which were really surprising, such as it is possible to hear someone clearly when using a few cups and a piece of string!



Miss Bekesi and Mrs Sim would like to say a big thank you to all of the pupils, staff and parents of Nine Acres that have supported all of the fantastic Science activities. It was amazing to see so many of you come and join us in the fun! We have some very important information to share with you..... the winners of our paper aeroplane competition!



**1st place goes to Mr Tom McLaughlin with 11.7 metres**

**2nd place: Mr Len Bancroft with 9.95 metres**

**3rd place: Ms Carmen Brewer with 9 metres**

**Well done for making this event a brilliant opportunity to see science in action!**



We welcomed some visitors on Tuesday and Wednesday who worked with the children from Hands on Science , where children experienced setting up experiments using a range of scientific equipment in order to learn all about solids, liquids and gases. Children were amazed how particles can change from one form to another and back again!

Yesterday was World Water Day, where children took part in lessons focused on the importance of clean water and what happens in countries that do not have clean water. Children really took on board why wasting water is so important and have learned some new ways of saving water. We would love to hear if children have discussed this with you and whether you can make a difference at home.

Today, we took part in celebrating Sport Relief with some very special dancing. Mary from Starlight Boutique, who has supported us with our Global Rock performance, has spent the day teaching all of our children some new dance skills and moves. In next week's newsletter we will announce how much money we have raised from this brilliant event. Thank you for your donations.



I hope you have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Broome

## We need your help!!

Vandalism – Unfortunately we continue to have unwanted visitors after school hours that have been seen climbing onto the roof and into our early years shared area. There has been some damage to school property. We really want to keep our school building and everything in it safe, so we would kindly request that if you see anyone in and around school during the early morning, evenings or weekends without adult supervision, please can you contact police by telephoning the non-emergency phone number 101. By working together as a community, we can hopefully stop this.

## Diary Dates 2018

**Mon 26th March 2018** Year 6 SATs Information Sessions

Afternoon 3.15-3.45pm or Evening 6.00-6.30pm.

**Wed 28th March 2018** EYFS Superhero Day.

**Thurs 29th March 2018** Helping Hands Disco 5.30-7.30pm

**Thurs 29th March 2018** Last day of Spring Term.

**Fri 30th March - Fri 13th April 2018** EASTER HOLIDAYS.

**Tues 17th April 2018** Year 3 Swimming Begins.

**Mon 23rd April 2018** Year 5 Global Rock – New Date.

**Sun 13th May 2018** Walk the Wight 2018.

**Mon 28th May - Fri 1st June 2018** HALF TERM.

**Thurs 5th July 2018** EYFS / KS1 Sports Day.

**Fri 6th July 2018** KS2 Sports Day.

**Fri 20th July 2018** Last day of the Summer Term.

**Mon 23rd July 2018** *DEVELOPMENT DAY.*

New dates will be added each week - Please check the box for **NEW** to see any added dates.



## Year 6 SATs Information Sessions

**Monday 26th March 2018**

Our Year 6 Team are holding two SATs Information Sessions on Monday 26th March for parents/carers. These sessions will provide you with information regarding these statutory tests and how you can support your child during this time.

**Afternoon Session - 3.15-3.45pm**

**Evening Session - 6.00-6.30pm**

## IOW Music Centre's Open Day

The IOW Music Centre's Open day on Saturday 24 March, 9.30 - 12.30pm at Medina College, Newport, is approaching fast. This will give children (and their parents/carers) the opportunity to come and try a variety of different musical instruments, listen to live music from the Island's talented young musicians and get involved with group music making through our community groups. Please could I ask if a brief mention of the event could be made in your next newsletter. Suggested wording is given below.

Is your child interested in playing a musical instrument?

Then come along to the Islands Music Centre Open Day to try out different instruments, have a listen to the Island's talented young musicians or join in with one of our community groups. Free entry.

Saturday 24th March, 9.30 - 12.30 p.m.  
at Medina College, Fairlee Road,  
Newport, PO30 2DX



### Star Learners of the Week

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Carisbrooke: | Whole Class |
| Yarmouth:    | Whole Class |
| Corfe:       | Ethan       |
| Hurst:       | Lucas       |
| Balmoral:    | Hannah      |
| Windsor:     | *****       |
| Arundel:     | Zack        |
| Dover:       | Izzy        |
| Tintagel:    | Jamie       |
| Warwick:     | Jessica     |
| Edinburgh:   | Poppy-Mae   |
| Stirling:    | Terry       |
| Durham:      | Tommy       |
| York:        | Grace E     |

### Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.0%**.

Dates: **16/03/18 - 22/03/18**

|              | Attendance | Lates |
|--------------|------------|-------|
| Carisbrooke: | 97.78%     | 1     |
| Yarmouth:    | 90.59%     | 2     |
| Corfe        | 87.04%     | 2     |
| Hurst:       | 93.10%     | 5     |
| Balmoral:    | 97.39%     | 3     |
| Windsor:     | 87.92%     | 3     |
| Arundel:     | 95.45%     | 0     |
| Dover:       | 91.36%     | 4     |
| Tintagel:    | 96.96%     | 4     |
| Warwick      | 96.96%     | 5     |
| Edinburgh:   | 87.33%     | 1     |
| Stirling:    | 89.66%     | 4     |
| Durham:      | 94.64%     | 1     |
| York:        | 94.00%     | 2     |

**Congratulations Carisbrooke!**

Whole school attendance this week is: 92.59%

### Development Days so far.....

- ◆ Friday 17th November 2017
- ◆ Thursday 21st December 2017
- ◆ Monday 23rd July 2018

### House Points

Well done to Celts who received the most House Points this week!



### ENRICHMENT CLUB PAYMENTS

Please send in payments for your enrichment clubs to the office by Monday 26th March. The next set of clubs will begin after the Easter holidays. These will be held for 5 weeks starting the first week back - Week Commencing Monday 16th April.

The Summer term 1 booking form will be out on Monday 26th March and needs to be returned by Tuesday 27th March.

Thank you, Mrs Teague.

## Year 3 Swimming Lessons - West Wight Swimming Pool

Year 3 swimming lessons will begin on Tuesday 17th April 2018. Children will be travelling to and from West Wight Swimming Pool by coach and will be supervised by members of staff. All children are required to bring a swimming costume/swim shorts, bring a towel (named) and a bag for wet items. Children with verruca's will need to wear a verruca sock and children with long hair should have it tied up or wear a swimming cap. If you have any queries please speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you, Nine Acres.



## **Wight Cycle Training**

### **Easter Holidays Bikeability Course**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

 All you need is a bike, which is in a roadworthy condition and a helmet that fits.

**Level 1 Courses** teaches basic bike-handling skills in a controlled traffic-free environment.

This is a 2 hour course, 10am -12 noon, so cyclists will need to attend one of the morning sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

Cost: £5.00 a session

Each cyclist who successfully completes the course will receive a Level 1 badge and a certificate.

**Level 2 Courses** teaches trainees to cycle planned routes on minor roads, offering a real cycling experience.

This is a 8 hour course, 1-3pm, so cyclists will need to attend all of the sessions: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Cost: £20.00 for the course

Each cyclist who successfully completes the course will receive Level 1 & 2 badges and a certificates.

Please make sure that your child wears suitable clothing and footwear, brings a waterproof coat, a snack and drink to the Bikeability session.

**Where:** Island Innovation VI Form Campus,  
Upper St. James Street,  
Newport,  
Isle of Wight, PO30 1LJ

If you would like to book your child on a course or need further information please call Ross on 07984 170013 or email [ross@wightcycle.co.uk](mailto:ross@wightcycle.co.uk).

Many thanks,

*Nicky and Ross*

## PE Kit Reminder

Please can we remind you that children should be bringing in full PE kit for all weather, we try to make sure children can still access our outside areas for physical activities wherever possible and having the correct kit is vital for this.



## Helping Hands – PTA



### Easter Disco

It has been brought to my attention that many families are unaware that there is a disco coming soon on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March. It is all set to be an evening full of fun. We are trying a different DJ this time, who comes very highly recommended by another PTA. There will be a raffle and prizes for the best boy and girl fancy dress costume. Please spread the word!!!!



### Unwanted uniform

Over the last few years Helping Hands have had a small amount of second hand uniform available to be bought for a donation. We appreciate that over half term you might be having a Spring clean and were wondering, if you have any Nine Acres uniform (that your child has grown out of but is still in good enough condition for someone else to wear) that you no longer require, please drop it into the office and explain that it is for Helping Hands. Likewise, if you are in the need of any uniform, please put a note of what you are after in the Helping Hands message box and we will see if we can help.



## New Dates

Easter Disco – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
5.30-7.30pm

May Fayre – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018 3.15pm

**NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 17.04.18**



HAPPY  
EASTER



**Easter Family Disco +  
Fancy Dress Competition  
Thursday 29th March 2018  
5.30-7.30pm  
Nine Acres Primary  
School Hall**

Tickets on sale now in school office

£1 per person—everyone needs a ticket regardless of age!

(All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult)

**Central Disco are providing the musical entertainment.**



Refreshments will be available

Plus Prizes for best girl's and boy's  
costume (no theme!).

