



# NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 22nd November 2024



Nine Acres Community Primary School, South View, Newport, Isle of Wight, PO30 1QP  
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Dear Nine Acres Families,

What a privilege it was to see our children recite their class poems on Wednesday as part of our very first Nine Acres Poetry Slam 2024. This opportunity is not only fostering a love for poetry but also developing our children's confidence, articulation, and ability to stand proudly in front of an audience to share their voice. Each class's performance was a testament to their creativity and bravery – we couldn't be prouder of them! Thank you to everyone who supported this event and helped make it such a success.



Next week, we look forward to welcoming you to our Parents' Evenings on Monday and Wednesday. Thank you to all who have already signed up. This is an invaluable opportunity to celebrate your child's progress, discuss their next steps, and continue working together to ensure their success. Let's make the most of this dedicated time with your child's teacher.

Today, marks the end of our Attendance Focus Fortnight. Thank you for supporting us in ensuring excellent attendance for all our children. On Monday, we will celebrate over 350 children whose attendance has been 97% or above with a prize draw. Each day of learning truly counts, and your commitment to this is greatly appreciated!



Looking ahead, we are excited for our EYFS and KS1 Christmas performances, which are sure to be a festive highlight! Tickets will go on sale from the school office on Tuesday 3rd December. These are always popular events, so be sure to grab your tickets early!

As the weather grows colder, please ensure your child comes to school with a named coat. If they bring gloves, hats, or scarves, these should also be labelled – or they might magically disappear into the black hole that is the lost property box!

Finally, thank you, as always, for your continued support and involvement in school life. Nine Acres is a special community because of you and your wonderful children. Together, we are ensuring every child thrives.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Dyer



## Development Days

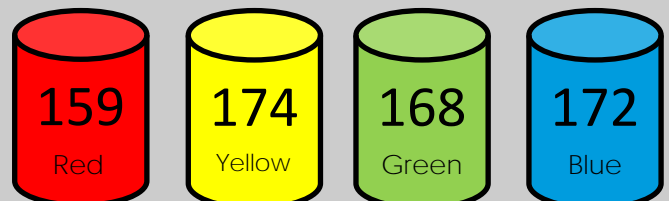
- Monday 2nd September 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY
- Friday 20th June 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY
- Friday 4th July 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY
- Monday 28th July 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY
- Tuesday 29th July 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY



### House Points Totals

Well done to **YELLOW** house who received the most House Points for this week!

CONGRATULATIONS !!!



# Diary Dates 2024/2025



## NOVEMBER 2024

Mon 25th & Wed 27th Nov 2024 - Parents' Evening.

Wed 27th Nov 2024 - Years 1 & 2 Cinema Trip.

Thurs 28th Nov 2024 - Year 3 & 6 Cinema Trip.

## DECEMBER 2024

Wed 4th Dec 2024 - Year 4 Winchester Science Centre Trip.

Fri 6th Dec 2024 - Christmas Market Mufti Day.

Tues 10th Dec 2024 - FLU Immunisations.

Fri 13th Dec 2024 - Christmas Market.

Tues 17th Dec 2024 - EYFS Nativity PM.

Wed 18th Dec 2024 - EYFS Nativity AM.

Wed 18th Dec 2024 - KS1 Nativity PM.

Thurs 19th Dec 2024 - KS1 Nativity AM.

Thurs 19th Dec 2024 - Christmas Dinner Day.

Thurs 19th Dec 2024 - Christmas Mufti Day.

Fri 20th Dec 2024 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Mon 23rd Dec - Fri 3rd Jan 2025 - **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.**

## JANUARY 2025

Mon 6th Jan 2025 - First day of Spring Term.

Thurs 9th Jan 2025 - Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Trip.

## FEBRUARY 2025

Thurs 6th Feb 2025 - EYFS Amazon World Trip.

Thurs 7th Feb 2025 - Year 1 Winchester Theatre Trip.

Mon 17th Feb - Fri 21st Feb 2025 - **FEBRUARY HALF TERM.**

Wed 26th Feb 2025 - Year 5 London Trip.

## MARCH 2025

Mon 3rd March 2025 - Parents' Evening.

Wed 5th March 2025 - Parents' Evening.

Thurs 6th March 2025 - WORLD BOOK DAY.

## APRIL 2025

Thurs 3rd April 2025 - Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Trip.

Fri 4th April 2025 - Early closing at 1.00pm

Mon 7th April - Friday 18th April 2025 - **EASTER HOLIDAYS.**

Fri 18th April 2025 - Good Friday.

Mon 21st April 2025 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.

Thurs 24th April 2025 - Year 2 Roald Dahl Trip.

## MAY 2025

Mon 5th May 2025 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.

Thurs 8th May 2025 - Year 1 Marwell Zoo Trip.

# Diary Dates 2024/2025 Continued

## MAY 2025

Mon 12th May 2025 - KS2 SATS WEEK.

Mon 19th May 2025 - KS1 SATS WEEK.

Mon 26th - Fri 30th May 2025 - **MAY HALF TERM.**

## JUNE 2025

Week Commencing 2nd June 2025 - Year 4 Multiplication Check.

Thurs 19th June 2025 - Summer Fayre.

Fri 20th June 2025 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

Wed 25th June 2025 - KS2 Sports Day.

Thurs 26th June 2025 - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day.

Thurs 26th & Fri 27th June 2025 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

## JULY 2025

Fri 4th July 2025 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

Fri 25th July 2025 - Early Closing at 1.00pm.

Mon 28th July 2025 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

Tues 29th July 2025 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

Wed 30th July - Fri 29th August 2025 - **Summer Holidays.**

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

**TAPNELL FARM PARK**  
THE ISLAND'S AWARD-WINNING CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE

Christmas at Tapnell  
There's no time like the present

1-24th DECEMBER  
(on selected dates)

The clock is ticking to help save Christmas!

BUY TICKETS NOW!

[www.tapnellfarm.com/christmas](http://www.tapnellfarm.com/christmas)

## PE UNIFORM REMINDER

When you chose Nine Acres Primary for your child you also chose to adhere to the Nine Acres Uniform Policy including PE.

Therefore, a reminder:

- All children must wear the Nine Acres PE top.
- All children must have suitable trainers.
- PE Hoodies are for PE only.
- Children must have a Nine Acres jumper for other days.
- Children must have blue or Black jogging bottoms.

*If you need any support in ensuring your child has the right uniform, we are here to help.*



**Newport Girls Under 10s**

are looking for girls in years 3 and 4 to join their new team.

Training on Saturdays at Victoria Recreation Ground, Newport at 9.30-10.30

Contact Kelly on **07889661743**  
kellylouisedavis808@gmail.com



## **Santa's Grotto and Winter Wonderland**

**Friday 13th, Saturday 14th, Sunday 15th December  
4 - 6:30pm**



**Yarmouth Guide and Scout Hall,  
Mill Road, Yarmouth**

\*all funds raised go to the running of the Guide and Scout Hall\*

## **End of Day Procedures**

If you have a message regarding your child or someone different to usual will be collecting your child at the end of the school day, please notify the school office by 2.30pm.



You can notify the office by popping in and speaking to a member of the team, by calling 522984 or by emailing [office@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk)



## Asda Cashpot - Only a few weeks left!!

**\*\*How can you help?\***

- ◆ Download the Asda Rewards app
- ◆ Select our school as your chosen beneficiary
- ◆ Shop in-store or online between \*\*2nd September and 30th November 2024\*\*

Let's spread the word and make a huge impact together - every shop brings us closer to more resources for our children!



## **PE Lessons**

As the weather continues to remain cold and wet etc, please ensure your child comes to school on their allocated PE day in their warm Nine Acres PE kit. This may include a pair of navy jogging bottoms and a Nine Acres navy hoodie. All PE lessons will be held outside as much as possible therefore a warm kit is essential.



## Our Mental Health Mission Statement

*We believe having a mentally healthy community is not about being happy all the time, but about working together through the challenges and sharing the celebrations; feeling supported, heard, accepted, valued and empowered.*

This week we want to focus on:



'The importance of getting a good nights sleep!'

Nine Acres Community Primary School

Spelling Champions of the week

Spelling Champion  
in Corfe Class

Ivy

Spelling Champion in  
Edinburgh Class

Youchen

*"Spelling is the building block of communication - let's help our children build strong foundations!"*

We encourage families to help their children practice basic spelling at home. Even words such as; like, with, the, was, and has, make a big difference! Checking their spellings in homework is a simple but powerful way to support their learning.

We need your help to ensure every child feels confident in their spelling skills!  
Thank you for your continued support.

# Autumn/Winter - School Dinner Menu

Chartwells		WEEK 1				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUTUMN/WINTER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Macaroni Cheese	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken Pizza Served with Plain Pasta	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	VEGETARIAN	Turkey and Sweetcorn Pasta	Quorn Burgers Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Quorn Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Meatless Feast Cheese Pizza Served with Plain Pasta	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
	MEAT & POTATO	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings including Salmon, Vegetarian &...	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings
	Jacket Potatoes are for Year 3 and above					
	All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT		Fruitcake with Fruit	Apple Crumble with Custard	Rice Pudding	Raspberry Jelly	Chocolate Brownie
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY		Vegetarian    Oily Fish    Wholesome Fruity!    Non-Halibut's Choice				

Week Commencing  
Monday 25th  
November 2024  
Week 1

For children in Year 3 and above the school dinner price is £2.70 per meal.

The cost for a weeks dinners is £13.50.





NINE ACRES PRIMARY SCHOOL

# CHRISTMAS MARKET

JOIN US FOR CRAFTS, GAMES, TOMBOLAS,  
DELICIOUS TREATS & MORE

DECEMBER 13TH,

3.30 - 5PM

RAFFLE DRAWN 4.45PM

# NINE ACRES PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our Nine Acres Uniform is available from Kids and Co in Ryde. Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and PE kit and sensible black school shoes.

## EYFS - Year 4

### Autumn/Spring/Summer Term

School Logo White Polo Shirt  
(Blue for EYFS only)  
Navy Blue Jumper/Cardigan with School Logo  
Charcoal Grey Trousers or Grey Skirt  
Grey or White Plain Ankle Socks  
Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

### Summer Term

School Logo White Polo Shirt (Blue for EYFS only)  
Charcoal Grey Shorts or Skirt/Blue Summer Dress  
Grey or White Ankle Short Socks  
Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

## Year 5 and Year 6

### Autumn/Spring/Summer Term

Navy Blue Jumper/Cardigan with School Logo  
Plain White Shirt (Long or Short Sleeve)  
School Tie  
Charcoal Grey Trousers or Skirt  
Grey or White Ankle Short Socks  
Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

### Summer Term

Plain White Shirt (Short Sleeve)  
School Tie  
Charcoal Grey Shorts or Skirt  
Grey or White Plain Short Socks  
Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

## PE Kit (All Years)

Lime Green Logo Polo Shirt  
Navy/Black Shorts  
Trainers  
White Plain Short Ankle Socks  
Navy Blue or Black Tracksuit Bottoms & a Navy hooded top for Sports activities  
Drawstring PE Bag



# Word of the Week

Each week we share a word with you on our newsletter.

Our word this week is **'previously'**.

before ← earlier

# Primary School Admissions 2025

Admissions for Primary School places for September 2025 is now open. The closing date for Primary School applications is midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2025.

Date for your diary – The National Offer Day is Wednesday 16 April 2025.

For further information, to apply online or to request an application form, please visit: School admissions

<https://orlo.uk/qJN9H>

School Aged Immunisation Service



**Your Child's  
Flu Vaccine  
is now due**

School Session is on: 10/12/2024  
School code is: 118164

Use this QR Code to say  
YES or NO:  
<https://bit.ly/3xANJMj>



You should have received information through the school regarding the yearly flu vaccination. Please contact us for more information or if you have any questions.

Contact us on:

Email [IOW.SAI@solent.nhs.uk](mailto:IOW.SAI@solent.nhs.uk)  
Phone number 0300 123 5074



# HELPING HANDS PTA

Dates for your calendar from Helping Hands  
(Nine Acres Parent Teacher Association)



## Diary Dates

Asda Cashpot for Schools ends – Sat 30<sup>th</sup> November  
Christmas Market Mufti Day - Fri 6<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Market - Fri 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024



## Asda Cashpot

Wow – our new total is over £799! – I can't believe how much we have already raised – what a fabulous effort Team Nine Acres. Thank you for all your support in this. 1 week left!!

## Christmas Market and Mufti Day

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, from 3.30 - 5:00pm it will be our Christmas Market and on the Friday before – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December there will be a mufti day when the children will be allowed to wear their own clothes in exchange for donations for the market.

Donations of the following would be gratefully received:

- ◆ EYFS, Years 1, 2 and 3 - Chocolate
- ◆ Year 4 – Cakes (homemade or shop bought welcome). Please bring cakes on the day of the market (13/12/24) rather than on the mufti day.
- ◆ Years 5 and 6 - Decorate or fill a jar for the tombola.

Thank you for all your continued support.

## Christmas Raffle

As last year, our Christmas Raffle will be taking place during our Christmas Market! Prizes include a £100 cash prize, fabulous hampers full of Christmas goodies, chocolates, bottles, vouchers and other amazing prizes.

Soon, your child will bring raffle tickets home. If you wish to buy any, please return the stubs, with the details filled in and the money (£1.00 per ticket) to the office by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like any additional tickets, they are available at the office.

If you do not wish to buy any, please return unsold tickets to the school, as soon as possible, in order for them to be sold to someone else.

Our next meeting will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 8.45am, meeting in the foyer. If you would like to know more, please contact us via email on [helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk) or leave a message for us at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Helping Hands

## Parents' Evenings - 25th & 27th Nov 2024

Our Parents' Evenings are on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

We look forward to celebrating your child's achievements!!

## Year 6 SATS

### Information Sessions

As you will be aware, our Year 6 pupils will be completing the Government's National Curriculum Assessments (previously known as SATs) on the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

We are offering an opportunity to attend an information session on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at either 3:30pm or 4:30pm.

Please see letter sent by email.

## Attendance Focus Fortnight!!

Congratulations to all the children who stayed above 97% during our Attendance Focus Fortnight.

For those children who have stayed above 97%, have been entered into a prize draw to be in with a chance of winning one of our 10 fantastic Amazon vouchers! Winners will be selected at random and celebrated during our special Attendance Celebration Assembly on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November.



Let's make it fun, let's make it count – show up, shine, and let's smash that attendance target!

## Boom Reader

Please continue to log your child's reading on the Boom Reader (Go Read) app. It is an expectation

that all children in Year 1 to Year 6 should be reading at home at least 3 times a week.





# Wildheart Wonderland

**Join us for a magical experience  
this December!**

Santa needs your help with an urgent mission... Come and join his team of Elves this Christmas at the Sanctuary to help to save Christmas!

## Selected dates

**14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd December 2024**

## Daily start times

**10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00, 13:00, 13:30, 14:00, 14:30**

Each Wildheart Wonderland experience is approximately 1 hour long, and the price also includes entry into the Sanctuary for the rest of the day.

This event is suitable for children aged 3+

## Tickets

**Children £20 | £15 each for accompanying adults.  
Members: Children £16 | £11 for accompanying adults.**



**Book your tickets today!**  
[wildheartanimalsanctuary.org](http://wildheartanimalsanctuary.org)

In collaboration with Enchanted Isle.





# Educational Visits

## at Nine Acres



**WINCHESTER  
SCIENCE CENTRE  
AND PLANETARIUM**

Wednesday 4th  
December 2025

Year 4 Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium Trip.

Deposit Payment was due Monday 18th November 2024

Full payment due by Friday 29th November 2024

Thursday 9th January 2025

Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Trip.

Deposit Payment was due Friday 11th October 2024

Full payment due by Mon 2nd December 2024



Thursday 6th February 2025

EYFS Amazon World Trip

Deposit Payment due Fri 15th November 2024

Full payment due by Monday 6th January 2025



Friday 7th February 2025

Year 1 Winchester Theatre Trip to see  
'Room on the Broom'.

Deposit Payment due Friday 15th November 2024

Full payment due by Monday 6th January 2025



Wednesday 26th February 2025

Year 5 London Trip.

Deposit Payment due Monday 4th Nov 2024

Full payment due by Friday 7th February 2025



Thursday 3rd April 2025

Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens.

Deposit Payment due Monday 6th Jan 2025

Full payment due by Monday 3rd March 2025

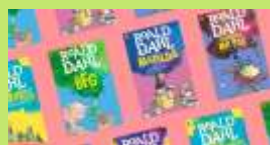


Thursday 24th April 2025

Year 2 Roald Dahl Trip.

Deposit Payment due Monday 6th Jan 2025

Full payment due by Monday 31st March 2025



Thursday 26th & Friday 27th June 2025

Year 6 Chessington Leavers Trip.

Deposit Payment due - Monday 4th November 2024

Full payment due by Monday 2nd June 2025



Please ensure deposits and full payments are made on time using ParentPay. Barcodes letters to pay via Paypoint in a local shop are available on request at the office.

# Free Cinema

## Trips for Years 1-6

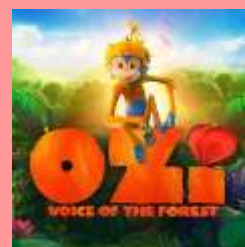
As part of National Schools Film Week we have secured films for Years 1-6 at the Cineworld Cinema in Newport.

Please see below for details of what your child will be watching and the date they will be attending.

All children will walk to the cinema on their chosen day and will need a waterproof coat for these trips.

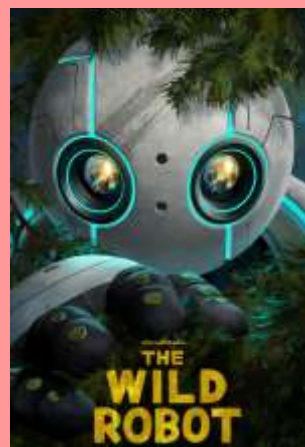
### Years 1 & 2 Cinema Trip

Wednesday  
27th November  
2024 to watch  
Ozi - Voice of  
the Forest.



### Years 3 & 6 Cinema Trip

Thursday  
28th  
November  
2024 to  
watch The  
Wild  
Robot.



## Christmas at Nine Acres

Look out on next week's newsletter for our festive update giving you all the dates in preparation for our Christmas events!!



# Can you help us?

For our nativities this year, we are in need of 5 large straw bales. If you are able to help us, please pop into the office and speak with the team.



# School Attendance

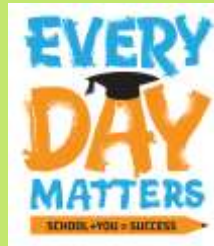
Whole school attendance target 97%.  
Dates: 15/11/2024 - 21/11/2024

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke	99.33%	0
Yarmouth	97.00%	0
Biggleswade	98.00%	2
Corfe	99.67%	0
Balmoral:	98.97%	2
Windsor:	95.00%	1
Arundel:	97.93%	3
Bamburgh:	99.33%	0
Kendal:	93.33%	1
Warwick:	96.67%	1
Edinburgh:	93.33%	0
Stirling:	97.67%	1
Durham:	92.00%	1
York:	97.33%	1

Well done CORFE!!

Whole school attendance this week is: 96.62%

Good attendance ensures that children can develop at the right pace, gain confidence as they make progress, and ultimately enjoy school as they see themselves succeed.



New Carnival Presents  
**Merry & Bright Festival of Light**  
Lantern Parade Fri 6th Dec 5-8pm  
6-7pm RYDE TOWN

**FREE** Entertainment  
Music  
Performance  
Illuminations  
Craft Market  
Digital Grama  
Games  
Craft Activities

RYDE WIGHTLINK ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND SOLENT SERVICES ASPIRE new: carnival

# EYFS TOURS for SEPTEMBER 2025

Class of 2025 is now open!!

Call or email now to book your 2025 tour!

01983 522984 or  
office@nineacrespri.co.uk



## ARE YOU ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Have your circumstances changed? Could you now be entitled to Free School Meals?

To apply online please go to:

<http://www.iow.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools/free-school-meals/>

# Nine Acres School Car Park

Please do not use the school car park unless you have a Nine Acres School parking permit. We will continue to share the license plates in our newsletters and ask our community to also let us know if they see families using the car park without a school permit.

This is to support us in helping all our dedicated staff get to school on time to teach your children!

New parking permits are available from the school office for Chapel Street car park.

# FOODBANK VOUCHERS

Many families are struggling more than ever with rising household costs and we want to be able to support you however we can. We continue to provide our families with vouchers to the Island's

Food Banks. If you would like some more information or are in need of a voucher, please speak to Mrs Hussey. Referrals can be made to

any of the Island's Food Banks for your convenience or confidentiality. There are currently Food Banks in Newport, Freshwater, Cowes, Ryde and Shanklin.



RYDE & DISTRICT ROUND TABLE PRESENTS

# SANTA DASH

2024



2 km or 5 km

1st December at 10am

Start / Finish at Ryde Superbowl

Pre-book your discounted tickets now at [ticketebo.co.uk/iowsantadash](https://ticketebo.co.uk/iowsantadash)

Children: £7.50\* | Adults: £17.50\* | Family of 4: £45.00\*



**MOUNTBATTEN**

PROUDLY RAISING MONEY FOR ISLAND CHARITIES



**FYFEY**



\*Children must be under 18 - Booking fees apply - Entry on the day will incur slightly higher fees - Only 1 dog per adult/ family.  
See Facebook page or ticketing website for all event details. Santa suits are provided.

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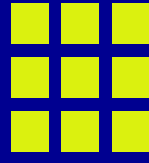


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internet

Superbowl<sup>Ryde</sup>

St  
James  
clinic

# PE DAYS



Nine Acres Primary School

Week Commencing Mon 25th November 2024

All children should come to school in their Nine Acres PE kits on their allocated day.

## PE Days for each Year Group

- EYFS - Tuesday
- Year 1 - Monday
- Year 2 - Wednesday
- Year 3 - Thursday
- Year 4 - Tuesday
- Year 5 - Friday
- Year 6 - Monday

Please ensure your child has a warm PE Kit and sensible footwear for PE lessons. All sessions will be held outdoors.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school everyday.

Please remove earrings before your child comes to school and ensure that long hair is tied back.



## SCHOOL DETAILS

School Telephone  
Number

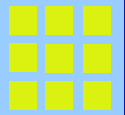
01983 522984

School Office Email

office@nineacrespri.co.uk

School Website

www.nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk



## Medical Appointments & Leave of Absence Requests

If your child has a Drs/hospital/ dental appointment, please ensure you have notified the school office of the time and date and handed in a copy of the medical letter or appointment card to the school office.

*Leave of absence request forms for are available upon request at the school office. These will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.*



## ParentPay is our only method of making payments.

Are you signed up to ParentPay? We no longer accept cash at the office. All items that require payment will be available on

- School Dinners
- Enrichment Clubs
- School Trips



Please ensure your account is activated.

## Social Media

Do you follow us on Facebook? Scan the QR code to see our page!!



## We are a Nut Free School!

Please may we remind you that Nine Acres is a nut free school. Nuts and nut products should not be brought into school. Please also refrain from bringing in sesame too.

