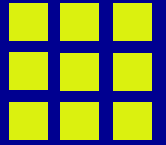


NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 24th January 2025



Nine Acres Community Primary School, South View, Newport, Isle of Wight, PO30 1QP
www.nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk 01983 522984 Head teacher: Mrs E. Dyer BA Hons QTS, NPQH



Dear Families of Nine Acres,

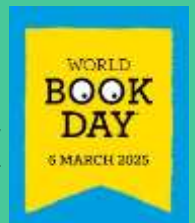
This half term is flying by, and we are already nearing the end of January! As always, we continue to encourage the children to make the most of every learning opportunity, whether it's problem-solving in Maths, creating masterpieces in art, or achieving personal bests in PE.



We are asking for your continued support, particularly with reading at home for our Year 4 and Year 5 pupils. At this age, children often feel confident that they can read, but comprehension - understanding the meaning behind the words - is a vital skill that requires practice and guidance. Spending time reading with your child not only strengthens their comprehension but also builds their vocabulary, confidence, and critical thinking skills.

Moreover, sharing a book together is a wonderful way to connect with your child beyond a computer screen and create lasting memories. Whether it's taking turns reading aloud, discussing a character's decisions, or simply enjoying a story, these moments contribute immensely to their learning journey. Please remember to log all your reads on Boom Reader, and let's see which class earns the celebration in our Friday assemblies!

We are excited to announce that our World Book Day celebrations are just around the corner! (Thursday 6th March). The event will be packed with fun and creativity, and we will be releasing the Nine Acres World Book Day theme very soon. Stay tuned for more details as we prepare to make this a memorable experience for everyone.



Tickets for the Valentine's Disco will be on sale from Monday 3rd February, at the office! It's set to be a fun-filled evening for the children. You will also receive a letter with all the details you need for our Valentine's Pop-Up Shop on Friday 14th February next week. See you there!

Thank you for your continued support in helping every child at Nine Acres shine.



Wishing you all a wonderful 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 -

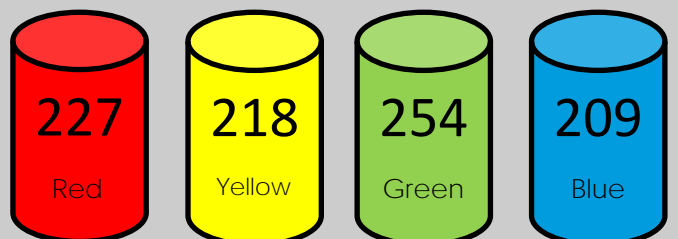
DEVELOPMENT DAY



House Point Totals for Spring Term 1 2025

Week 3

Well done to GREEN house who received the most House Points for this week!
CONGRATULATIONS !!!



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



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.



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

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 keeping moving!'

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/articles/zpxc3j6>



School Attendance

Whole school attendance target 97%.
Dates: 17/01/2025 - 23/01/2025

| | Attendance | Lates |
|-------------|------------|-------|
| Carisbrooke | 95.33% | 1 |
| Yarmouth | 97.67% | 1 |
| Biggleswade | 97.93% | 0 |
| Corfe | 99.33% | 0 |
| Balmoral: | 96.90% | 2 |
| Windsor: | 96.90% | 2 |
| Arundel: | 97.24% | 1 |
| Bamburgh: | 90.00% | 4 |
| Kendal: | 95.67% | 0 |
| Warwick: | 95.33% | 1 |
| Edinburgh: | 93.45% | 2 |
| Stirling: | 92.67% | 0 |
| Durham: | 92.33% | 0 |
| York: | 94.33% | 2 |

Well done CORFE!!

Whole school attendance this week is: 95.35%

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.



Diary Dates 2024/2025



JANUARY 2025

FEBRUARY 2025

Thurs 6th Feb 2025 - EYFS Amazon World Trip.

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

Thurs 13th Feb 2025 - Valentine's Disco.

Fri 14th Feb 2025 - Valentine's Pop Up Shop.

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

Wed 26th Feb 2025 - Year 5 London Trip.

Thurs 27th Feb 2025 - Year 1 'Be Our Guest Ball'.

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.

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.

Diary Dates 2024/2025 Continued

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.*

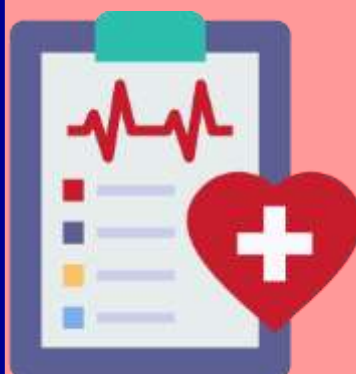
Dates
for your



Asthma Care Plans

If your child has Asthma or is currently being investigated for Asthma you must complete an Asthma Care Plan from the school office. It is essential that we have the correct information to help keep the children safe.

If your child no longer has Asthma, please can you notify us by emailing office@nineacrespri.co.uk so we can update your child's medical record.



It is Parents/Carers' responsibility to ensure they update the school of any current medical conditions.



Healthy Balance Workshop

Are you looking for ways to encourage your family to eat healthier options?

Do you worry your child is eating enough or too much?

Our Healthy Balance Workshop will help you explore this and more.

Healthy Balance is an interactive workshop that lasts approximately 1.5 hours over Zoom and designed for the whole family. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and share ideas in a safe space.



Please visit the website
www.isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk or
scan the QR code.

Nine Acres Community Primary School

Spelling Champions of the week

Spelling Champion
in ARUNDEL Class

Tobin



Spelling Champion in
Windsor Class

Lani-Star



Spelling Champion in
Corfe Class

Flynn

"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 2 | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | Week Commencing - 04/01, 27/01, 24/02 & 17/03 | | | | |
| | | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| HOT SPECIALS | | Veggie Supreme Pizzag | Beef Bolognese w | Roast Pork | Chicken and Vegetable Pie | Crispy Chicken Burger |
| | | Served with Plain Pasta | Served with Wholewheat Pasta | Served with Roast Potatoes and Gassy | Served with Mashed Potatoes and Gassy | Served with Chips |
| | | Vegetable Fajitas w | Chinese Vegetable Noodles | Vegetarian Cottage Pie w | Macaroni Cheese | Queso Dipperw |
| | Served with Wholegrain Rice | | Served with Gassy | | | Served with Chips |
| JACKET POTATOES | | Jacket Potatoes w | Jacket Potatoes w | Jacket Potatoes w | Jacket Potatoes w | Jacket Potatoes w |
| | | with a choice of hot and cold fillings | with a choice of hot and cold fillings | with a choice of hot and cold fillings | with a choice of hot and cold fillings | with a choice of hot and cold fillings |
| Jacket Potatoes are for children in Year 3 and above | | | | | | |
| All main meals are served with two vegetables | | | | | | |
| DESSERT | | Crunchy Chocolate Mousse | Apple and Cinnamon Sponge with Custard | Fruits of the Forest Jelly | Chocolate Cookie | Shortbread with Fruit |
| | | | | | | |
| AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Water, milk, freshly baked bread, yogurt & fresh fruit | | | | | | |
| Vegetarian Oily Fish Wholegrain Fruity! Nutritionist's Choice | | | | | | |

Week Commencing
Monday 27th
January 2025
Week 2

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**.

PLUS! New class on Saturdays in Gunville for 4-7 yrs! See booking page below for details!



Aged 5-12? Bored after school?

We are a small, welcoming drama group who would love you to join us!

We play all sorts of hilarious drama and improvisational games... we are looking for young comedians, role players, budding actors & actresses and downright fun-seekers to try a session with us (only £4/50min class & £5/1 hr class)!

Thursdays
Year 1-3 | 3.10-4pm
Year 4+ | 4.15-5.15pm
Newport | Nine Acres Primary School



Get in Touch!

ALLY MAC

01983 655126

Llama Drama IOW

llamadrama-iow.co.uk

info@llamadrama-iow.co.uk

~ Book Now ~

<https://llama-drama-iow.classforkids.io/>

Adults Respectful Behaviour

We would like to remind everyone that, as adults, we are the most important role models for our children. Unfortunately, we have recently experienced a few incidents where some adults in our community have taken it upon themselves to intimidate our pupils. This behaviour is unacceptable and does not align with the values we strive to instil in our children.

We urge all members of our community to reflect on the impact of their actions and to consider how we can work together to maintain a positive and supportive environment for everyone. If you ever have concerns, please remember that our door is always open. We are here to listen, support, and work collaboratively to address any issues.

Thank you for your continued partnership in making Nine Acres a place where respect and understanding flourish.

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.



Attendance Focus Fortnight

Our next Attendance Focus Fortnight will be held during the weeks of Monday 3rd February - Friday 14th February.

Who will be at 100% and be in with a chance to win a prize?



Nine Acres Valentines Disco



We will be holding our 'Nine Acres Valentines Disco' on Thursday 13th February. Every child is allocated a ticket and these will be on sale from Monday 3rd February 2025 priced at £2.00 each.

Enrichment Clubs

Spring Term 2 2025

We have been working on our Enrichment Clubs offer for Spring Term 2 2025 to provide a broad selection of clubs for our children in Years 1-6.

Our Enrichment Clubs for this current half term are in full swing and the children are enjoying the variety of clubs on offer.

The form was sent by email this week.

To book places, please email enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk



Year 1 'Be Our Guest Ball'

To celebrate the end of our English topic 'Traditional Tales and Fairy Tales' this term, our Year 1 children & families are invited to a Beauty & the Beast themed ball here at Nine Acres on Thursday 27th February 2025 during the afternoon.



Mr Toulson's Sports Bags

Each week, a child from every class is selected by Mr Toulson to take home a sports bag to use over the weekend. They can play with the equipment and design their own games making notes in the book. All bags are to be returned by the following Tuesday in readiness for the next child. We love to see how your child uses the sports equipment so please email office@nineacrespri.co.uk with any photos you may have taken.





**DON'T MISS THIS FUN FAMILY FESTIVAL
DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM!
Thursday 20th to Saturday 22nd February**

JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



Come and see me at Quay Arts in February!

Tickets are now on sale for the IW Story Festival at **Quay Arts** during February half term from www.iwstoryfestival.com. It's a chance to meet performers and writers like **Maz Evans** (pictured on the left) creator of **Who Let the Gods Out**, who will be with us on Friday 21st Feb.

After wowing audiences at our Stories in Schools in June, poet **Paul Lyalls** returns for the main festival



There is so much to do at the IW Story Festival!



Find out how top **authors** like **M G Leonard**, **Naomi Ishiguro**, **Roopa Farooki** (left), and **Gareth Peter** **create** their books



Be **inspired** by **performances** including **Woodland Tales with Granddad** (pictured on right); **Brutal**, **Pinocchio** and **Asian Dance**



Imagine new characters in the **Secret Library** or with **the roll of dice**, and picture the stories created by storytellers **Steph Brittain**, **Holly Medland** and **Sue Bailey**



Puppet tales from Pickled Image



SOME QUESTION YOU MAY WANT TO ASK...

Q: Do I need to get my tickets in advance?

A: It's a good idea –they're selling fast! Go to: www.iwstoryfestival.com to buy yours now.

Q: How much are tickets?

A: Some are **TOTALLY FREE**, others cost £4 to £6

Q: Is it just for people who like reading?

NO! The IW Story Festival isn't just about books! There are lots of **hands-on activities** for you to try, including the art of **paper folding**, **drawing dastardly cartoons**, **creating a book scene** and many others.

Pick up a programme from Quay Arts or any library

More information from: www.iwstoryfestival.com

HELPING HANDS PTA

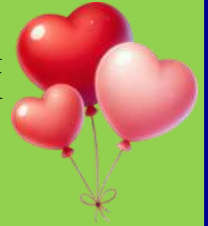


Nine Acres Parent/Teacher Association

Valentine's Disco

Planning and preparation are going well for the Valentine's Disco on Thursday 13th February and already there is a buzz about it around the school.

Tickets will go on sale from Monday 3rd February. By making it a children only event (supervised by staff and Helping Hands committee), we can ensure there is a ticket for every child who wants one! Tickets will cost £2.00, which will include squash, sweets and a glow stick – so no spending money is needed on the night!



In order to ensure spaces for all who want to come there will be two discos...

3.30 – 4.15pm = EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 children then

4.30 – 5.30pm = Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.

Children attending the first disco will be able to bring their party clothes and get changed after school in class before going to the hall accompanied by staff. Children from the first disco will leave through the EYFS doors while the KS2 children will enter and leave through the main office entrance – all children must be met by an adult to go home, as it will be late and dark! Hope to see you there!

Our next meeting will be on Friday 7th February, 8.45am, meeting in the foyer. If you would like to know more, please contact us via email on helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk or leave a message for us at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Helping Hands

Word of the Week

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

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



Message from Nine Acres Primary School Governing Body:

As you are all aware Mrs Dyer is leaving Nine Acres Community Primary School at the end of the Spring Term 2025 to pursue other opportunities. We believe Nine Acres is losing one of its brightest stars. We wish her all the best and have no doubt that she will continue to shine beyond our school gates.

As the school begins this new chapter, Governors have begun the process of finding a new permanent Headteacher that will embody the ethos, values and standards of Nine Acres.

We have now met with the Local Authority and held detailed discussions around the recruitment. A panel of governors has been decided upon to run the recruitment process, with support from the Local Authority as a guide. The Recruitment Panel will be writing to you at various stages of the process with updates. Much of the details will be confidential to ensure fair and legal procedure is followed. However, we wish to assure you that the school, its pupils, staff and community is at the forefront of our thoughts as we progress through each step.

Thank you in advance for your support.



COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

THURSDAY EVENINGS

St Thomas Primary School
High Street, Carisbrooke PO30 1NR

6pm - 7pm

Reception to Year 6

Every Thursday all year round

£20 Per Month

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<https://ljrcoaching.classforkids.io>

07368 886639

ljrcoaching97@gmail.com

SCAN ME



Educational Visits at Nine Acres



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 8th May 2025

Year 1 Marwell Zoo Trip.

Deposit Payment due Monday 6th Jan 2025
Full payment due by Monday 4th April 2024



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.

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.



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!

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

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.

Helping Hands –
Nine Acres Primary PTA



Valentine's Disco Children only!



Thursday 13th February

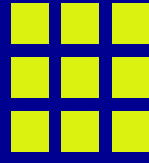
3.30-4.15pm EYFS - Y2 children

4.30 - 5.30pm Y3 -Y6 children

Parentkind
Member Association

Tickets available from school office.
Price £2.00, which includes drink, sweets
and a glow stick.

PE DAYS



Nine Acres Primary School

Week Commencing Mon 27th January 2025

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

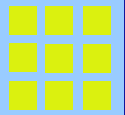
01983 522984

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.

