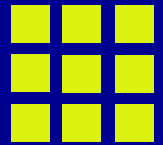


# NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 4th July 2025



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Dear Families,

As our pupils spend their last week in their current year groups here at Nine Acres, we have had a week full of opportunities and exciting experiences!

Some of our Year 4 pupils ventured over the water to Southampton for a fantastic careers workshop at PwC. Taking part in problem solving and accountancy tasks, they represented our school brilliantly and came back full of inspiration for their futures.

Our Year 6's, fresh from their fun-filled adventures at Chessington last week, have been diving into their Design and Technology food learning, creating delicious apple and honey tarts - yum!

Our dedicated staffing team have also taken part in EpiPen training this week, ensuring we stay up to date with the latest guidance and are well prepared to support every member of our school community safely.

As we head into next week, we are excited for our children to begin their journeys into their next year groups. Our pupils always thrive during this transition, showing off their wonderful skills and making fantastic first impressions on their new teachers before the summer holidays begin.

We know that for some pupils this time of year can bring a few wobbles but please remember that we, as a team, are here to help and support them. If you need us, just reach out - we are always here to listen and help make this transition as smooth as possible.

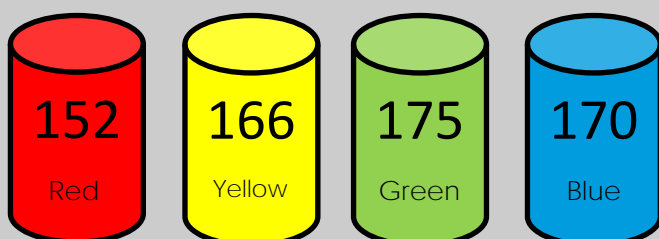
Enjoy the long weekend,  
Miss McDonald



## House Point Totals for Summer Term 2 2025

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

CONGRATULATIONS!!!



## Development Days

~~Mon 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

2025-2026

Monday 1st September 2025 -  
DEVELOPMENT DAY



# Bamburgh Swimming Lessons

Bamburgh Class swimming lessons continue next week.



Children will need to wear their swimming costume/shorts to school under their PE Kit in order for them to be ready for their lesson.

Please ensure your child has had a good breakfast on the day before swimming and any inhalers should be up to date and with your child on the day. If your child does not have their inhaler they will not be able to participate.

On Thursday's, each week that your child will be swimming, they will require a packed lunch brought in from home along with a snack for after swimming.

Swimming will take place on the below dates:

- ◆ Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - 1.00-2.00pm
- ◆ Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - 1.00-2.00pm

## 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.*



you're  
**AMAZING**  
just the way  
**YOU ARE**

## Water Bottles, Suncream & Sun Hats!

We ask that only water is supplied on a day to day basis in your child's water bottle. This is the healthiest option.



However, we also know that children need to stay hydrated to learn! If your child refuses water, in agreement with your child's class teacher only, they may have very, very diluted squash or flavoured water to avoid any medical concerns, however we ask that families take responsibility in ensuring good dental hygiene is in place for their child along with a continued approach to encourage drinking water.

As the warmer weather continues, please ensure your child arrives to school with sun cream already applied and brings a sun hat and is dressed appropriately for the warmer weather conditions.

## Year 6 NAPA Awards Evening

We are pleased to confirm we will be holding our NAPA Awards Evening for our Year 6 children on Thursday 24th July 6.00-7.30pm.

# Diary Dates 2024/2025



## JULY 2025

Mon 7th July 2025 - Transition begins.

Tues 8th July 2025 - Transition Day for Year 6 pupils to Secondary School.

Wed 9th July 2025 - Meet your child's new teacher - 3.15-3.45pm.

Thurs 24th July 2025 - Year 6 NAPA Awards Evening 6.00-7.30pm.

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.

## SEPTEMBER 2025

Mon 1st Sept 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

## OCTOBER 2025

Mon 20th Oct - Fri 31st Oct 2025 - October Half Term.

## NOVEMBER 2025

## DECEMBER 2025

Mon 22nd Dec - Fri 2nd Jan 2026 - Christmas Holidays.

## JANUARY 2026

## FEBRUARY 2026

Mon 16th Feb - Fri 20th Feb 2026 - February Half Term

## MARCH 2026

Mon 30th March - Fri 10th April 2026 - Easter Holidays

## APRIL 2026

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](mailto: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.

# Transition to Secondary School

On Tuesday 8th July 2025 our Year 6 children will spend the day with their new secondary school to prepare them for their journey in September.

Any questions regarding this day, please contact your child's new school.

Good luck to our Year 6 pupils!

# Early Closing Friday 25th July 2025

A reminder that school will close early on Friday 25th July at 1.00pm/1.15pm for Year 6.

If your child is in Years 4/5/6 and has permission to walk home for this academic year, your child will be released at 1.00pm unless you tell us otherwise.

Please notify the office if you will be collecting your child.



# 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.



## Have you moved house or have a new number?

Have you moved house recently or do you have a new mobile phone number. It is vitally important that we have the correct information on file in case we need to contact you during school hours.



### Little Acres childcare centre summer holiday activities 2025

[littleacreschildcarecentre@gmail.com](mailto:littleacreschildcarecentre@gmail.com) 01983 532358



Week commencing	Weekly activities
28/07/25 Vehicles week	Paper aeroplanes/helicopters, car wash, build a rocket, Lego vehicles, fruity cars, junk model vehicles, car races, building rafts
04/08/25 Challenges	Relay races, 1-minute challenges, obstacles courses, marshmallow and toothpicks, build a bridge, chopstick challenge, Lego Pictionary, dance of challenge, paper mash up
11/08/25 Water	Water relay, water bomb and spoon race, water colour painting, apple boats, giant bubbles, bubble snakes, sink or float challenge, paper boats
18/08/25 Mini beasts	Bug houses, face painting, pebble painting, make a pet rock, insect cakes, nectar relay race, hide and seek bugs, bird feeders
25/08/25 Creative <b>CLOSED MONDAY (BH)</b>	Play dough, kinetic sand, icing biscuits, face painting, collages, art activities, gloop, tin foil painting, vegetable painting, spaghetti play, clean mud

#### School holiday sessions

7.45am-12pm	£16.50	includes breakfast and morning snack
12pm-3pm	£13.00	includes afternoon snack
12pm-6pm	£22.50	includes afternoon and teatime snack
7.45am-6pm	£30.00	includes breakfast, morning, afternoon and teatime snack
7.45am-3pm	£22.50	includes breakfast, morning and afternoon snack
7.45am-4pm	£24.50	includes breakfast, morning, afternoon and teatime snack



## HELPING HANDS PTA

Nine Acres Parent/Teacher Association



### Festival Fayre - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Thank you so much to everyone who came to our Festival Fayre – our biggest yet! We took over £1800 - a fantastic £150.00 more than the previous year! Wow! We hope you all had a great time.

Our next meeting will be Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 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

#### Dates for Diaries

**NEXT MEETING** – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025, 8.45am  
meet in school foyer.

# Nine Acres Community Primary School

## Spelling Champions of the week

Spelling Champion in  
Windsor Class

Jamie



Spelling Champion in  
Biggleswade Class

Olivia

Spelling Champion in  
Arundel Class

Rovan



**"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.

# Spring/Summer - School Dinner Menu

SPRING/SUMMER 2025 MENU		WEEK 2				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Chicken Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Gammon Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Bolognese Served with Minestrone Pasta	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	OPTION 2	Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry Served with Wholegrain Rice	Mediterranean Cheesy Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Sweet Potato, Chickpea and Herb Roast Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Quorn and Vegetable Tikka Masala Served with Wholegrain Rice	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
	OPTION 3	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Toppings
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DESSERT		Apple and Golden Syrup Cake	Strawberry Jolly	Flagjack with Fruit	Chocolate Ice Cream	Lemon Cake

Week  
Commencing  
Monday 7th  
July 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**.

\*\* Please note that Jacket Potatoes are only for children in Years 3-6 \*\*



**Chartwells**  
So much more than fantastic food

# Educational Visits

## at Nine Acres

Here at Nine Acres, we are very proud to be able to offer your children a variety of brilliant educational visits.

As part of their learning, we would like the children to explore museums, go to theatre shows and to enjoy overnight residential trips to inspire their work in school.



Our trips at Nine Acres are known to be amazing and are regularly commented on, however we continue to

take into consideration the rise in the cost of living and how we can maintain providing these wonderful opportunities for your children.

During the next few weeks and in to the new academic year, you will notice several trip letters being sent out to families. We feel it is vitally important that we book trips ahead of time, especially any mainland trips, which then gives you an extended period of time to make the payments required so these experiences can continue.

*Please keep an eye on the newsletter for trips to be added to the list.*



## 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:

[https://emsonline.iow.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/en](https://emsonline.iow.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

## Word of the Week

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

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



A. Imagine a really thick juice slowly dripping. That's like ooze. It's not flowing fast, it's coming out slowly and steadily.

B. If someone "oozes confidence", it means they're very sure of themselves, and it shows in the way they act and talk. It's like the confidence is coming right out of them.

## Nine Acres Sports Bags

Each week, a child from every class is selected by our sports coaches 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](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk) with any photos you may have taken.

## 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.](#)



# 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](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk)

## School Attendance

Whole school attendance target 97%.

Dates: 27/06/2025 - 03/07/2025

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke	95.33%	1
Yarmouth	95.67%	0
Biggleswade	99.31%	0
Corfe	96.90%	0
Balmoral:	97.24%	2
Windsor:	96.55%	5
Arundel:	99.67%	0
Bamburgh:	94.33%	3
Kendal:	98.33%	0
Warwick:	95.52%	4
Edinburgh:	90.67%	2
Stirling:	96.55%	1
Durham:	93.00%	4
York:	96.67%	0

Well done ARUNDEL CLASS!!  
Whole school attendance this week is: 96.11%

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.



## Our Mental Health Mission Statement

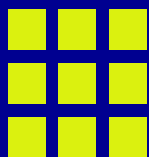
*We believe having a mentally healthy community is not about being happy all the time, but about working together through the challenges and sharing the celebrations; feeling supported, heard, accepted, valued and empowered.*

This week we want to focus on: 'The importance of keeping moving!'

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



# PE DAYS



Nine Acres Primary School

Week Commencing Monday 7th July 2025

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

PE Days for each Year Group

NEW Year 1 - Wednesday

NEW Year 2 - Monday

NEW Year 3 - Thursday

NEW Year 4 - Tuesday

NEW Year 5 - Monday

NEW Year 6 - Friday

NEW Year 7 - Friday

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.



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.

## SCHOOL DETAILS

School Telephone

Number

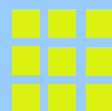
01983 522984

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.



## Social Media

Do you follow us on Facebook?

Scan the QR code to see our page!!



SCAN ME

## 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.

