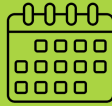


# NINE ACRES NEWS

Articulate,  
Passionate, Persuasive & Positively  
influencing the world around us.

ISSUE 27  
24/04/2026

## KEY DATES



### APRIL 2026

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Visit.

Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - Year 3 Arundel Swimming.

### MAY 2026

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - BANK HOLIDAY - School closed to pupils.

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - Year 1 Marwell Zoo Visit.

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - Year 3 Arundel Swimming.

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - KS2 SATs Week.

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - No Year 3 Arundel Swimming.

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - KS1 SATs Week.

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026 - Year 3 Arundel Swimming.

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - May Half Term.

### JUNE 2026

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 - First day of Summer Term 2.

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup>, Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> & Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Year 5/Group 1 Sailing at SVYC, Seaview.

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Bamburgh Class Swimming begins.

Tues 9<sup>th</sup>, Wed 10<sup>th</sup>, Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Year 5/Group 2 Sailing at SVYC, Seaview.

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Helping Hands Summer Festival Fayre.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 - KS2 Sports Day.

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2026 - KS1 Sports Day.

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> - Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - EYFS Beach Visit.

### JULY 2026

NEW Wed 1st July 2026 - Year 6 Leavers Photographs.

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026 - Attendance Focus Fortnight begins.

NEW Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026 - Year 6 NAPA Awards Evening.

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026 - Early Closing at 1.00pm.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> July 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> July - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026 - Summer Holiday's.

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2026 - Islandwide Development Day.

### Dear Families,

We have had a wonderful week at school.

This week, we welcomed representatives from the local authority and Headteachers from across the island. They were incredibly impressed by our children's learning behaviours and the positive attitudes they demonstrated throughout their visits.

Our Year 2 pupils also enjoyed an exciting trip to the Roald Dahl Museum, where they explored the imaginative world of the author they have been studying. They were delighted to see many of the "whizz-popping" and magical references from his stories brought to life.



I would also like to update you on our new school building project. We are currently in the design stages and are looking forward to sharing more as the plans develop.

There will be an opportunity for members of our school community to meet with the developers, ask questions, and learn more during Summer Term 2. We will share the confirmed date with you as soon as it is available.



Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Miss McDonald

## HOUSE POINTS



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YELLOW HOUSE



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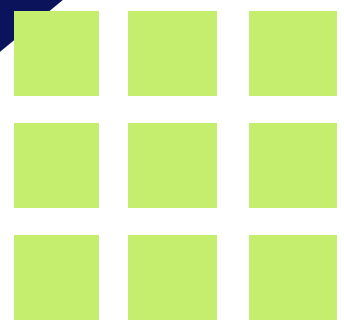


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# THIS WEEK'S AWARDS




# ARRIVE AND STRIVE!



## ATTENDANCE

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET:**




**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS: 95.55%**

**THIS WEEKS WINNING CLASS: WELL DONE BIGGLESWADE!**

**CLASS ATTENDANCE DATES - 17/04/2026 - 23/04/2026**

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	LATES
CARISBROOKE:	97.33%	2
YARMOUTH:	97.67%	5
BIGGLESWADE:	99.00%	1
CORFE:	96.13%	0
BALMORAL:	92.67%	1
WINDSOR:	98.67%	0
ARUNDEL:	97.67%	2
BAMBURGH:	93.33%	5
KENDAL:	97.00%	0
WARWICK:	96.67%	3
EDINBURGH:	97.93%	3
STIRLING:	93.93%	6
DURHAM:	94.67%	1
YORK:	85.67%	3

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



## READING



SCHOOL ID: 59721

WELL DONE TO: BIGGLESWADE & BANBURGH CLASSES

## WORD OF THE WEEK

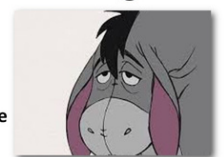


DESPONDENT

despondent



Unhappy With no hope Very sad!



# THIS WEEK'S AWARDS

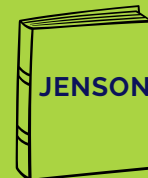
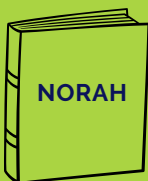


## SCHOOL VALUE AWARD WINNERS

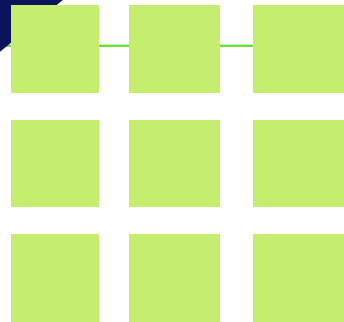


**# ARTICULATE # PASSIONATE # PERSUASIVE  
# POSITIVELY INFLUENCING THE WORLD AROUND US**

## HALF TERM SUBJECT FOCUS: YOUNG AUTHOR AWARD



# IN OTHER NEWS...



# MENU

NEXT WEEK WE ARE ON: **WEEK THREE**

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad 🌱 🍌	All Day Breakfast with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍌	Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🍌	Fish Fingers with Chips
	OPTION 2	Veggie Meat Feast Pizza with Pasta Salad 🌱 🍌	Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice 🌱 🍌	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Gravy 🌱 🍌	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🌱 🍌	Quorn Dippers with Chips
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱 🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱 🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱 🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱 🍌	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱 🍌
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI	Years 3-6 only	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🌱	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🌱	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🌱	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🌱	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🌱
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Custard Shortbread with Melon Wedges 🍌	Strawberry Jelly	Chocolate Mousse	Vanilla Ice Cream	Banana Flapjack 🍌

W/C: 27/04/2026, 18/05/2026, 15/06/2026, 06/07/2026, 27/07/2026

**BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY**  
With a choice of toppings 🍌

**AVAILABLE DAILY**  
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

🌱 Vegetarian 🍌 Vegan 🐟 Oily Fish 🍌 Fruity! 🌱 Wholegrain 🍌 Nutritionist's Choice

Chartwells Schools

# EDUCATIONAL VISITS

## EDUCATIONAL VISIT DATES

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025 - Year 1 Osborne House Visit
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025 - Year 6 Milestones Museum Visit.
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2025 - Year 5 London Visit.
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2025 - Year 1 Mayflower Studios Visit.
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026 - EYFS Amazon World Visit.
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2026 - Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Visit.
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 - Year 4 Winchester Science Centre Visit.
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 - Year 3 Butser Ancient Farm Visit.
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> April & Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - Year 4 Roman Villa Visit.
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 - Year 2 Roald Dahl Museum & Story Centre Visit.
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Visit.
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - Year 1 Marwell Zoo Visit.
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June-Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Year 6 Leavers Visit.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> June & 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Year 5 Sailing at RVYC, Seaview.
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - EYFS Bembridge Beach Visit.

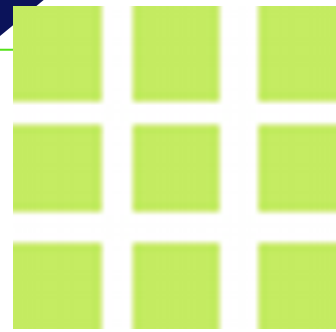
More Educational Visits will be added to the list, so please keep checking.



Please return the permission forms to the office as soon as possible and ensure deposits and full payments are made on time using ParentPay. Barcode letters to make payments via a PayPoint site in a local shop are available by request at the school office.



# IN OTHER NEWS...



## OFFICE NEWS

### Development Days

Monday 1st Sept 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY  
 Monday 23rd Feb 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY  
 Friday 19th June 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY  
 Friday 24th July 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY  
 Monday 27th July 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY  
 We have booked all 5 Development Days for 2025-2026 academic year.



### Adult Community Learning

Adult Community Learning are delighted to share their new programme of workshops and courses, for adults 19+ years. Whether it is ICT, art, craft, health and wellbeing or careers advice, we have something for everyone. Check out what's on offer and book at [www.iow.gov.uk/aclcourses](http://www.iow.gov.uk/aclcourses), or call us on 817280. Come and learn something new in a relaxed and informal setting, at The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde.



### Walk the Wight 2026 Schools Walk

To register, please use the QR code or use the website [www.mountbatten.org.uk](http://www.mountbatten.org.uk)

**Schools Walk the Wight** with **Mountbatten**

**Join your school team!** Compete for the Schools Walk the Wight trophy!

Family-friendly  
 Freshwater - Alum Bay  
 Medal and certificate included

Raise funds to support Island families cared for by Mountbatten  
**FREE to sign up!**

**Sunday, 10 May 2026**  
 Sign-up now: [mountbatten.org.uk](http://mountbatten.org.uk)

### Year 6 SATs Week

Year 6 will begin their SATs Week from **Monday 11th May to Friday 15th May 2026**. Children are expected to be in school from 8.15am and are to go straight to the school hall to be registered.

### Year 3 Swimming Lessons

Year 3 Swimming lessons take place at West Wight swimming pool on Thursday afternoons during the Summer term. Please see dates below for lessons. All children need a packed lunch.

#### Group A - Arundel Swimming:

Thursday 30th April 2026  
 Thursday 7th May 2026  
 Thursday 14th May 2026  
 Thursday 21st May 2026

#### Group B - Bamburgh Swimming:

Thursday 4th June 2026  
 Thursday 11th June 2026  
 Thursday 18th June 2026  
 Thursday 25th June 2026  
 Thursday 2nd July 2026



### Year 4 PE

Year 4 PE session will take place on Wednesday next week instead of Tuesday. Children to come to school in their Nine Acres PE kit on Wed 29th April.

### Bank Holiday

School will be closed on Mon 4th May 2026 due to the Bank Holiday.

### Dinner Menu Change Tuesday 5th May 2026

There will be a menu change on Tuesday 5th May 2026.

#### The menu will be:

- Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- BBQ Vegetable Wrap
- Tomato Pasta
- Dessert - Chocolate Brownie



### Save the Date

#### Year 6 NAPA Awards

The Year 6 NAPA Awards Evening will be held on the evening of **Wednesday 22nd July 2026**.

*Times to be confirmed.*

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

### Year 1 Marwell Zoo Visit

The 2nd letter for Marwell Zoo has been sent home with our Year 1 children today giving details for the day.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.



### Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Visit

The 2nd letter for the Ventnor Botanic Gardens Visit has been sent home with our Year 5 children this week giving details for the day.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.



### SAVE THE DATES

#### Nine Acres Sports Days Monday 22nd June & Tuesday 23rd June 2026

We are looking forward to holding our annual Sports Days with **KS2 on Monday 22nd June** and **EYFS & KS1 on Tuesday 23rd June 2026**. Timings are to be confirmed but we expect these to run during the afternoons.



### Year 5 Sailing Sessions June 2026

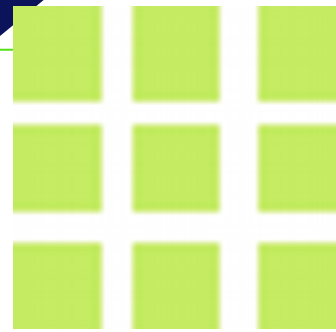
Our Year 5 children will be attending sailing sessions at Seaview Yacht Club. The letter has been sent out this week.

**Group 1 - Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd & Thurs 4th June 2026**  
 - Sailing at SVYC, Seaview.

**Group 2 - Tues 9th, Wed 10th, Thurs 11th June 2026**  
 - Sailing at SVYC, Seaview.



# IN OTHER NEWS...



## HELPING HANDS PTA

Helping Hands  
 Nine Acres  
 Parent/Teacher Association



Our next meeting will be on **Friday 6th May, 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*

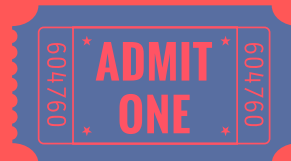
Helping Hands – Nine Acres PTA

*Diary Dates*

**Summer 'Festival' Fayre - Thursday 18th June 2026**  
**3.30-5.00pm**

Preparations for the Summer 'Festival' Fayre are coming along. There will be more information coming soon. If you would like to have a stall, 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 would love to see you there!*



## COMMUNITY EVENTS



### Corf Scout Camp Open Day

Saturday 2 May 2026

10:00am - 4:00pm

Corf Road, Shalfleet, PO30 4NT

Try something new:

- Archery
- Boulder Wall
- Frisbee Golf
- Kayaking\*
- Shooting
- Tomahawks
- Open Fire Cook
- Climbing/High Ropes

All welcome - you don't have to be a Scout. Bring the whole family along.

Many activities. Refreshments.

Parking £5 per car at

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\*Water activities dependent on tide and conditions - swimwear & change of clothes required. No open toed shoes. All activities dependent on availability of time and volunteers. No unaccompanied children.



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