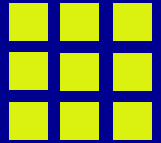




# NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 14th March 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,

Today was a proud day for all of us at Nine Acres as we hosted a visit from school leaders and headteachers from across the country to share excellence in Education. They spent time in classes, talking to the children, meeting with leaders, and in the afternoon, they took time to review our curriculum vision with our curriculum leaders.



The visitors were incredibly impressed by what they saw. It was a privilege to share best practices far and wide, benefiting hundreds more children in schools nationally. They spoke highly of the children's enthusiasm for learning, their confidence in talking about their education, and their deep understanding of the curriculum. They also commented on the warm and welcoming atmosphere across the school, the strong relationships between staff and pupils, and the clear ambition we have for every child to succeed.

It was wonderful to see our children represent the school with such pride and passion. Their ability to articulate their learning and their sense of belonging at Nine Acres truly stood out. We hope you share in this moment of pride, knowing how well your children showcased what makes our school so special.

## Year 6 Assessment Week

Next week marks the beginning of our Year 6 assessment week. This is a valuable opportunity to introduce our pupils to the more formal Government tests they will sit in May, in a supportive and encouraging way. Our aim is to help them feel confident, prepared, and ready to shine. Please ensure your child gets plenty of rest, arrives at school on time, and knows that we are all here to support them every step of the way.



## Road Safety Reminder



We want to take a moment to remind families about the importance of road safety, particularly for our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils who may be walking to and from school independently. This follows a near miss outside the school gates this week, which highlighted the need for extra vigilance when crossing roads.

### Please remind your child to:

- Always use designated crossings and check both ways before stepping into the road.
- Avoid distractions such as mobile phones or headphones when crossing.
- Walk, don't run, when near roads and be aware of approaching vehicles.

We ask all families driving near the school to take extra care, drive slowly, and be mindful of children crossing. Let's work together to ensure the safety of all our pupils.

Thank you for your support!

As always, we are grateful for your continued support in making Nine Acres the best it can be.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Dyer



## Diary Dates 2024/2025



### MARCH 2025

Wed 26th March 2025 - Year 4 MTC Information Sessions at 3.30pm & 4.30pm.

Wed 26th March 2025 - EYFS Library Trip.

Thurs 27th March 2025 - Rock Kidz.

### 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.

Tues 22nd April 2025 - First day of Summer Term.

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

Thurs 24th April 2025 - Year 3 Swimming Begins for Arundel class.

Mon 28th April 2025 - Year 4 Roman Villa 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.

2nd, 3rd & 4th June 2025 - Year 5 Sailing Trip.

10th, 11th & 12th June 2025 - Year 5 Sailing Trip.

Thurs 12th June 2025 - Year 3 Swimming Begins for Bamburgh Class.

Wed 18th June 2025 - EYFS Beach Trip.

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**.

Thurs 24th July 2025 - Year 6 NAPA Awards.

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.*



## **Year 4 MTC Information Sessions** **Wednesday 26th March 2025**

As you will be aware, our Year 4 pupils will be completing the Government's statutory Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in June 2025. This assessment is taken by all Year 4 children in schools across the country and is designed to assess their fluency in times tables up to  $12 \times 12$ .

The Year 4 pupils have been working extremely hard to ensure that they are going to be ready and prepared for these assessments and their continued attitude towards their learning is exemplary.

We would like to invite you to an *information meeting* in order to share with you what the assessments look like and offer some advice in order for you to support your child with the lead up to this important assessment period.

We are offering an opportunity to attend on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at either 3:30pm or 4:30pm.

Please return the slip to the office.

# 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)

## 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: 07/03/2025 - 13/03/2025

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke	97.33%	0
Yarmouth	98.67%	1
Biggleswade	97.00%	0
Corfe	93.00%	2
Balmoral:	98.62%	2
Windsor:	96.90%	1
Arundel:	97.33%	1
Bamburgh:	97.33%	1
Kendal:	96.67%	0
Warwick:	93.67%	0
Edinburgh:	90.00%	1
Stirling:	93.67%	0
Durham:	91.00%	2
York:	97.67%	1

Well done Yarmouth!!

Whole school attendance this week is: 95.62%

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.



# Easter holidays events at Quay Arts



## Creation - The Bubble Show

Sun 13 April | 2pm | £10.50\*

Enjoy the wonder of bubbles in this mesmerising show! A dazzling display of soap and water, featuring fire effects, light displays, music and never before seen bubble masterpieces.

## Rabbits Out of the Hat

Sat 19 April | 7pm | £16\*

A humorous and heartwarming play about a magic show. Magic

Circle magicians present breathtaking magic and circus skills with showstopper songs.

Join the Magic & Performance workshop before the show! Ages

5+ can learn magic tricks and movement skills to amaze friends and family.



Book now at [www.quayarts.org](http://www.quayarts.org) or call 01983 822490

# Nine Acres Community Primary School

## Spelling Champions of the week

Spelling Champion  
in edinburgh Class

Amelia



Spelling Champions in  
Windsor Class

Zarah

Spelling Champion  
in Bamburgh Class

Charlotte



**"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 - 06/01, 27/01, 24/02 & 17/03					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>HOT SPECIALS</b>	Veggie Supreme Pizzag Served with Plain Pasta	Beef Bologneseg Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Pie Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Crispy Chicken Burger Served with Chips
<b>JACKET POTATO</b>	Vegetable Fajitag Served with Wholegrain Rice	Chinese Vegetable Noodlesg	Vegetarian Cottage Pieg Served with Gravy	Macaroni Cheeseg	Quorn Dippersg Served with Chips
<b>DESSERT</b>	Jacket Potatoesg with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoesg with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoesg with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoesg with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoesg 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					
	Crunchy Chocolate Mousse	Apple and Cinnamon Sponge with Custardg	Fruits of the Forest Jelly	Chocolate Cookie	Shortbread with Fruitg
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Whole, sealed, healthy based bread, yoghurt & frozen fruit					
Vegetarian  Oily Fish  Wholegrain Fruity!  Nutritionist's Choice					

Week  
Commencing  
Monday 17th  
March 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**.

## 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.*



# 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.



## Enrichment Clubs

### Summer Term 1 2025

Keep an eye in your inbox for the new Enrichment club form for Summer Term 1 2025.

To book places, please email [enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk)



## 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](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk) with any photos you may have taken.



## Word of the Week



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

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

# Education First Isle Of Wight

Open your home to the world – Become an EF Host on the Isle of Wight!  
Experience the joy of cultural exchange by hosting an international student with EF Education First this summer. We're looking for welcoming host families on the Isle of Wight to provide a home-away-from-home for students eager to learn English and immerse themselves in British culture.



## Why host with EF?

- 🌍 Embrace cultural exchange
- 🏆 Benefit from our loyalty program
- ☎️ Enjoy 24/7 local support
- 📅 Flexibly schedule your hosting
- 🎉 Join special EF events
- ✅ Receive weekly compensation

## Apply today!

☎️ Call us at +44 1983 821 133

✉️ Email

[accommodation.isleofwight@ef.com](mailto:accommodation.isleofwight@ef.com)

🌐 Visit [ef.co.uk/host](https://ef.co.uk/host)



No special experience is required — just a warm, welcoming home and the desire to make a difference this summer.

Join our vibrant community of host families and help create unforgettable experiences for students from around the world.

**We look forward to speaking  
with you!**



# EYFS SUPERHERO DAY

Friday 4th April 2025

We are inviting the children in Early Years to come dressed to school as their chosen superhero on this day. We know you may have costumes at home but we do welcome the children to make up their own superhero if they want to.



**"Remember not all heroes wear capes"**

During the day, we have arranged for a very special visitor to come and see the children!

Please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the EYFS team if you have any questions.



Thank you for your support!  
Mrs Shaw and  
Mrs Edgington  
EYFS Teachers



# Early Closing - Friday 4th April 2025

A reminder that our school will close early on Friday 4th April at 1.00pm.

If your child is in Year 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.

# EYFS Phonics Sessions

We are holding 3 Phonics sessions for EYFS on the following dates from 9.00-9.30am.

Monday 17th March 2025  
Tuesday 18th March 2025  
Wednesday 19th March 2025.

It is limited to 10 adults per session which will allow for 1 slot per child. We look forward to seeing you all!



# HELPING HANDS PTA

Nine Acres Parent/Teacher Association



We are currently busy planning lots of future events including the Summer Festival. We would love to hear your ideas! Our next meeting will be on Friday 28th March, 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 28th March 2025, 8.45am meet in school foyer.

# 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

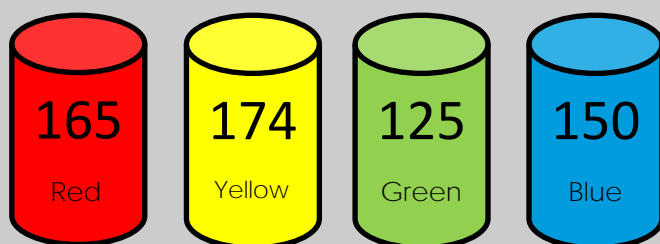


House Point Totals for Spring Term 2 2025

Week 3

Well done to **YELLOW** house who received the most

House Points for this week!  
CONGRATULATIONS!!!





# Educational Visits at Nine Acres

Thursday 3rd April 2025

Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens.

Deposit Payment was due Monday 6th Jan 2025

Full payment is due by Monday 3rd March 2025



Thursday 24th April 2025

Year 2 Roald Dahl Trip.

Deposit Payment was due Monday 6th Jan 2025

Full payment is due by Monday 31st March 2025



Monday 28th April 2025

Year 4 Newport Roman Villa Trip

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

June 2025

Year 5 Sailing Trip

The letter will be sent out shortly. These sessions are free for our children.



Wednesday 18th June 2025

EYFS RNLI Beach Trip

Letter and Payment Details will be sent out shortly.

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.*

*Barcode 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.

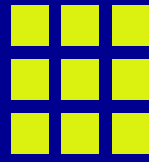
This is to support us in helping all our dedicated staff get to school on time to teach your children!

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.

# PE DAYS



Nine Acres Primary School

Week Commencing Mon 17th March 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

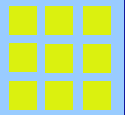
01983 522984

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.

