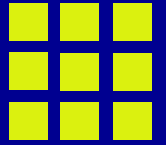


# NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 31st 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,

Today, Year 3 have been out and about in Newport as part of their geography fieldwork unit. The children explored the local area, surveyed the buildings, and investigated how Newport has changed over time. They were excited to observe the mix of old and modern architecture and enjoyed sketching key landmarks. This hands-on learning gave them a deeper understanding of how geography shapes our local community and why our surroundings have developed the way they have.



The children have decided they would like to support Arlo, a brave 16-year-old who has been battling a brain tumour. To show their support, Nine Acres will be taking part in the island-wide mufti day, 'Wear What Makes You Happy,' on Friday 7th February. Children can come to school dressed in whatever brings them joy - whether it's their favourite colour, a fun costume, or their cosiest outfit for £1.00. All donations will go directly to help Arlo and his family during this challenging time. Thank you for helping us make a difference.

Next week, we are excited to launch our next Attendance Focus Fortnight, which will run from Monday 3rd February to Friday 14th February. The children always love these weeks, as they provide a chance to celebrate the importance of good attendance while working together as a school. Every child will start the fortnight with 100% attendance, no matter their previous record, giving everyone a fresh start. Children who achieve 97% or above during the fortnight will have their names entered into our prize draw! It's a fantastic opportunity to encourage a positive school routine and recognise the dedication of our pupils and families.

Don't forget! Valentine's Disco tickets go on sale on Monday 3rd February! Make sure to grab yours in time for this fun-filled event that the children look forward to every year.



Thank you for your ongoing support, and we look forward to another exciting and productive week ahead.

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



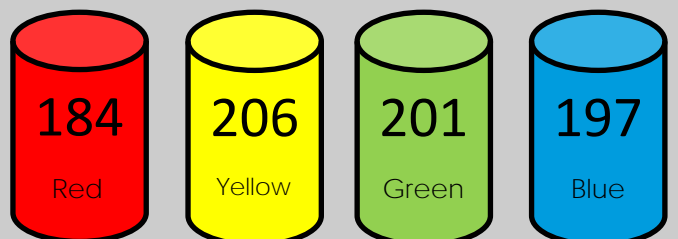
### House Point Totals for Spring Term 1 2025

#### Week 4

Well done to **YELLOW** 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](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: 24/01/2025 - 30/01/2025

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke	93.00%	0
Yarmouth	86.67%	0
Biggleswade	97.28%	0
Corfe	97.33%	1
Balmoral:	97.59%	1
Windsor:	97.24%	0
Arundel:	95.52%	1
Bamburgh:	92.67%	2
Kendal:	96.33%	1
Warwick:	98.67%	2
Edinburgh:	88.97%	0
Stirling:	95.33%	0
Durham:	89.33%	2
York:	97.33%	0

Well done WARWICK!!  
Whole school attendance this week is: **94.51%**

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



### FEBRUARY 2025

Thurs 6th Feb 2025 - EYFS Amazon World Trip.

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

**NEW** Fri 7th Feb 2025 - 'Wear what makes you happy' Mufti Day for Arlo.

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.

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

### 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.

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

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.

## Diary Dates 2024/2025 Continued

### JUNE 2025 CONT

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

### JULY 2025

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

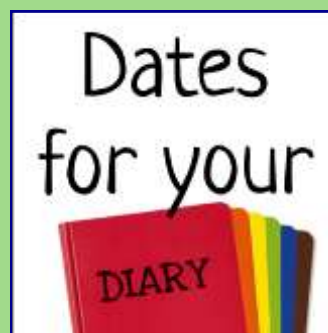
Fri 25th July 2025 - Early Closing at 1.00pm.

**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.*



## **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.

Nine Acres Community Primary School

Spelling Champions of the week

Spelling Champion  
in Corfe Class

Saisha



Spelling Champion in  
Windsor Class

Lakkshith



Spelling Champion in  
Biggleswade Class

Harper

*"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 3				
		Week Commencing - 13/01, 03/02, 03/03 & 24/03				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
NOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizzas Served with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Kurmas Served with Wholegrain Rice	Fish Fingers Served with Chips	
JACKET POTATOES	BBQ Quorn Fillet Served with Wholegrain Rice	Quorn Sausages Served with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Roasted Vegetable and Cranberry Slices Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Tomato and Sweetcorn Pasta	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips	
	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 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 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	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruit	Banana Cake	Out Cookie with Fruit	Lemon Shortbread	Vanilla Ice Cream	
<b>AVAILABLE EVERY DAY</b> (Meat, Salad, Freshly baked bread, yoghurt & Fresh fruit)						
Vegetarian    Oily Fish    Wholegrain Fruity!    Nutritionist's Choice						

Week Commencing  
Monday 3rd  
February 2025  
Week 3

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**.



# STAFF DEVELOPMENT NEWS

On Tuesday, Mrs Spencer and I travelled to visit a school in London to learn about their writing practices and the ways they support pupils with English as an Additional Language (EAL). Visiting other outstanding schools is an important part of ensuring that Nine Acres continues to grow and develop its provision for all our children. By learning from others, we can enhance our teaching strategies and make sure every child at Nine Acres has the best opportunities to succeed. We are excited to implement some of the fantastic ideas and practices we observed during our visit.

## Wear what makes you happy!

### Friday 7th

### February 2025



In assembly, we spoke about the importance of coming together as a community to support one another. We discussed Arlo, a 16-year-old from the Isle of Wight, who is facing the challenges of a Grade 4 brain tumour. Arlo's positive outlook and strength have inspired us all, and the children voted to join the island-wide mufti day in support of Arlo and his family.

On Friday 7th February, we invite everyone to wear what makes them happy and bring a donation of £1.00 to help contribute towards Arlo's medical care and ongoing treatment.

Please note: Year 1 will be attending their school trip to the theatre that day and will need to wear their school uniform for safety reasons. However, they can still take part by wearing their happiest socks or another fun accessory!

Let's show our support, spread some joy, and help Arlo feel the warmth of the Isle of Wight community.



[#WearWhatMakesYouHappy](#) [#SupportArlo](#) [#CommunitySpirit](#) [#IsleOfWight](#)

[#TogetherWeCan](#) [#KindnessMatters](#)

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/>



**LJR COACHING**  
**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  
BOOK NOW  
<https://ljrcoaching.classforkids.io>  
07368 886639  
ljrcoaching97@gmail.com  
SCAN ME

## Attendance Focus Fortnight!!

From Monday 3rd February to Friday 14th November, every child will start with an amazing 100% attendance score.

*The challenge?*

Stay above our school target of 97% over the two weeks, and you could be in for a chance to win!

We have 10 fantastic Amazon vouchers up for grabs! Winners will be selected at random and celebrated during our special Attendance Celebration Assembly on Friday 22nd November.

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



## 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.*



## 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](mailto: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 27<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk) with any photos you may have taken.



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.



# HELPING HANDS PTA



Nine Acres Parent/Teacher Association

## Valentine's Disco

Tickets will go on sale from Monday 3rd February and will cost £2.00, which will include squash, sweets and a glow stick – so no spending money is needed on the night! Mrs Sim will be selling tickets in the foyer on Monday 3rd Feb (from 8.30am and from 2.30pm after school). After that, they will be available from the office. It is not first come first served as there are enough tickets for every child who wants to come.

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](mailto:helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk) or leave a message for us at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

*Helping Hands*

## School Trip Permission Forms

With several of our trips due to take place in the next few weeks, please ensure that you have completed and signed the relevant trip permission form for your child's trip. Spare forms can be requested from the school office.

## World Book Day 2025

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.



## Word of the Week

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

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



*adorable*



adorable

charming cute

appealing



# Educational Visits at Nine Acres



Thursday 6th February 2025

EYFS Amazon World Trip

Deposit Payment due Fri 15th November 2024  
Full payment was 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 was 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.

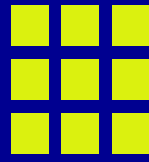
This is to support us in helping all our dedicated staff get to school on time to teach your children!

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.

# PE DAYS



Nine Acres Primary School

Week Commencing Mon 3rd February 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

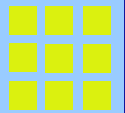
01983 522984

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.

