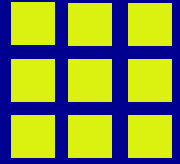


# NINE ACRES NEWS

*'Striving for Excellence'*

**Friday 16th March 2018**



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Dear Families,

We started off this week with a special visitor from Hampshire who wanted to find out how we support children with their learning and how we use funding to make sure all children achieve to the best of their ability. He was very impressed with all of the work that our teachers are doing in and out of the classroom to make sure the pupils of Nine Acres are not only progressing in English and Maths, but are learning important life skills! Well done everyone!



As it is Science Week this week, we have had some exciting 'hands on' workshops, where the children could put their practical skills into action. On Thursday, Trevor from Dinosaur Isle came to visit us with a range of fossils that the children could explore and discuss. All children learned lots of new and interesting facts, such as how long it takes to form a fossil, why different fossils appear around the world and the science behind why we actually have fossils!

Throughout today, we have really enjoyed welcoming parents into school who have stepped up to the challenge of creating the best aeroplane. Children (and parents) had to think about aerodynamics, forces and how to create a fair test in order to compete for the title of "best aeroplane in flight". We even had a parents competition at the end of the day.



Safety is our top priority and we are always making sure that all of our procedures within school allow us to keep our children safe. We had a practice fire drill this week, where the children were amazing at getting out of the building safely. All of our children were brilliant at explaining why this is important, they were even checking to make sure that their teachers double checked that all children were out and safe. Well done children!



We are very proud of Kalli in Year 2, who has bravely decided to donate her long hair to the Little Princess Trust, a charity that makes wigs for children who have undergone cancer treatment. Kalli would also like to raise money for the Earl Mountbatten Hospice through people donating money for this act of kindness. If you would like to make a donation, please send into school or drop something into the main office.



With safety in mind, please can we remind parents that children should be dropped off and picked up by a named adult. We have had some incidents where older siblings have been asked to drop off and pick up. We want to make sure all children are safe and politely request that it should be parents/carers that come to pick up their children. We would never allow children to leave our school without knowing who the person was picking them up, please can you make sure that if there are any changes to the adults picking up, that parents let the school know in advance by calling the office on 522984.



Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Broome

## Diary Dates 2018



**Mon 19th March 2018** Year 6

SATs Information Sessions

3.15-3.45pm or 6.00-6.30pm

**Mon 19th - Tues 20th March 2018** Year 5 London Trip

**Mon 19th - 23rd March 2018** Sports Relief Week

**Thurs 22nd March 2018** EYFS Fire Station Trip

**Wed 28th March 2018** EYFS Superhero Day

**Thurs 29th March 2018** Helping Hands Disco 5.30-7.30pm

**Fri 30th March - Fri 13th April 2018** EASTER HOLIDAYS.

**Tues 17th April 2018** Year 3 Swimming Begins

**Mon 23rd April 2018** Year 5 Global Rock — New Date

**Sun 13th May 2018** Walk the Wight 2018

**Mon 28th May - Fri 1st June 2018** HALF TERM.

**Thurs 5th July 2018** EYFS / KS1 Sports Day.

**Fri 6th July 2018** KS2 Sports Day.

**Fri 20th July 2018** Last day of the Summer Term.

**Mon 23rd July 2018** *DEVELOPMENT DAY.*

New dates will be added each week - Please check the box for **NEW** to see any added dates.

## Star Learners of the Week

Carisbrooke:	Elliott
Yarmouth:	Jayden
Corfe:	Ava
Hurst:	Harrygeorge
Balmoral:	Olivia
Windsor:	Kyle
Arundel:	Leyton
Dover:	Tiffany
Tintagel:	*****
Warwick:	Akifa
Edinburgh:	Amy
Stirling:	Danielle
Durham:	Tyson
York:	Macie

## Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.0%.**

Dates: **09/03/18 - 15/03/18**

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	100%	0
Yarmouth:	92.94%	1
Corfe:	95.93%	0
Hurst:	92.76%	2
Balmoral:	94.35%	0
Windsor:	91.67%	5
Arundel:	98.18%	3
Dover:	92.27%	3
Tintagel:	96.09%	3
Warwick:	90.99%	4
Edinburgh:	93.00%	0
Stirling:	95.17%	2
Durham:	95.36%	2
York:	99.34%	0

**Congratulations Carisbrooke!**

Whole school attendance this week is: **94.86%**

## GLOBAL ROCK - NEW DATE

Thank you for your all your patience regarding the cancellation and re-organizing of Global Rock, letters with all the new information were sent home last Friday.

**Date:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

**Venue:** Portsmouth Guildhall

New EV3 Permission forms need to be returned by Friday 23rd March.



## Water Bottle — Reminder

There seems to be an increase in children bringing in drinks other than water for a drink throughout the day. School policy is that children should bring in a bottle with water, in order to stay hydrated throughout the day. Research shows that children's learning focus is increased by being hydrated. Squash or fizzy drinks does not provide enough hydration throughout the day.

Thank you for your support.



## Development Days so far.....

- ♦ Friday 17th November 2017
- ♦ Thursday 21st December 2017
- ♦ Monday 23rd July 2018

## House Points

Well done to **Celts** who received the most House Points this week!



## SCIENCE WEEK

"Run to the Deep App" a running App that explores from surface of the sea to the deep over a 10 k distance.  
Download and have fun!



## School Car Park Reminder

Our school car park situated next to the school is for STAFF use only and visitors to the school. We have seen several parents parking in the school car park—please can you refrain from parking here and please use Chapel Street car park when dropping off and collecting your children. Thank you, Nine Acres.



## Year 5 London Overnight Trip

Year 5 children will need to wear their smart school uniform and black shoes on both days; so that they are easily recognisable from the general public around the various places we will be visiting.

The children will need to bring a packed lunch and snacks for the ferry and at the services with them, with plenty of drinks for the day. They may also bring a book/game/activity (no electronic devices) to do when we are on the ferry. Please can we ask that **NO mobile phones** are taken as these easily get lost and we will contact you if we need to. Children will be allowed to bring a **disposable camera, (not digital)** with them to take pictures of their day (Although these cannot be used in the Houses of Parliament). Please ensure all cameras are clearly named.

Our itinerary for the two days will be:

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018

6.45 am Children arrive at Nine Acres and are registered  
7.00 am Depart from school on coach  
8.00 am Ferry leaves Fishbourne  
12.30 am Expected arrival in London  
12.40 am Lunch  
1.30 pm London Eye Experience  
3.00 pm Coach to pick up from London Eye and take group to Safestay Hostel  
6.30 pm Pick up from Hostel and take to Apollo Victoria Theatre.  
7.30 pm Wicked the Musical starts  
10.00 pm Coach to pick up from theatre and take to Hostel.

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018

8.00 am Breakfast at the Hostel  
9.30 am Coach to pick up from Hostel and take to Science Museum  
10.30 am Visit to the Science Museum  
12.30 pm Lunch  
1.00 pm Coach to pick up and take to Houses of Parliament  
3.15 pm Tour of the Houses of Parliament  
6.00 pm Coach to pick up from Houses of Parliament and take to ferry.  
9.00 pm Ferry leaves Portsmouth  
10.00 pm Expected arrival back at school.

### The children will need to bring with them:

A packed lunch and snacks for the ferry and services – no nuts or fizzy drinks please. (Children to bring their food in a rucksack, separate from their overnight bag)

Toothbrush and toothpaste

Wash items, flannel, soap, towel and de-odorant (roll on only)

Pyjamas

Clean underwear

Waterproof coat

Change of school clothes for the return trip if required

Any medication that they may need, to be given to Mrs Smith (including travel sickness tablets), along with a completed medical form.

## PE Kit Reminder

Please can we remind you that children should be bringing in full PE kit for all weather, we try to make sure children can still access our outside areas for physical activities wherever possible and having the correct kit is vital for this.



## Helping Hands – PTA



### Final Cake Sale

A massive thank you to all the EYFS families, Helping Hands team and staff who brought in the delicious cakes for the sale last week, and also a big thank you to everyone who took the time to come and buy cakes in the rain. The sale raised a fantastic £64.41. Finally, thank you for all of your fantastic support throughout all the cakes sales this term both in bringing in and buying all those beautiful cakes.



### Easter Disco

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!!! On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March from 5.30pm – 7.30pm there will be a Easter Family Disco in the Hall. As always, there will be a prize each for the best-dressed boy and girl, a raffle and refreshments. There will also be some differences...Central Disco, who come very highly recommended, will provide the entertainment of dancing, games and lots of fun! There will also be a wider range of refreshments including slushies! We are also trialling having the Easter Disco on the evening of the last day of term (rather than the Saturday). Tickets are £1 per person (regardless of age) and all children must be accompanied by an adult, to be responsible for them during the event. The tickets are limited, so please buy them soon to avoid disappointment.

**\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* May Fayre – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**3.15 – 5.00 pm**

We are very pleased to announce the date of our May Fayre, which we have been busily planning for a while. Stalls will include Face painting, sweet tombola, raffle, cake sale, refreshment, Paint a rock, Hook a bag, Hair feathers and Bouncy Castle just to name a few. We are delighted to confirm that the Pony Rides will be available again this year at the same great price of £3 and there will be a number of stalls selling crafts. The event will start with a display of Maypole Dancing and we hope to see you all there – so save the date!!

**NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 17.04.18**





Nine Acres Community Primary School PTA

**Easter Family Disco +  
Fancy Dress Competition  
Thursday 29th March 2018  
5.30-7.30pm  
Nine Acres Primary  
School Hall**

Tickets on sale now in school office

£1 per person—everyone needs a ticket regardless of age!

(All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult)

**Central Disco are providing the musical entertainment.**

Refreshments will be available

Plus Prizes for best girl's and boy's  
costume (no theme!).

