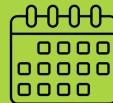


NINE ACRES NEWS

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

ISSUE 15
09/01/2026

KEY DATES



JANUARY 2026

NEW Wed 14th Jan 2026 - Year 6 SATS Information Session.
NEW Mon 19th, Tues 20th & Wed 21st Jan 2026 - EYFS Phonics Sessions - Sign up sheets in foyer from Monday 12th Jan 2026).
Thurs 22nd January 2026 - EYFS Amazon World Visit.
Thurs 29th January 2026 - Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Visit.

FEBRUARY 2026

Tues 3rd Feb 2026 - Year 4 Winchester Science Centre Visit.
NEW Thurs 12th Feb 2026 - Helping Hands Valentine's Disco.
Mon 16th Feb - Fri 20th Feb 2026 - **February Half Term**.
Mon 23rd Feb 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Tues 24th Feb 2026 - First day of Spring Term 2.

MARCH 2026

NEW Mon 2nd March 2026 - Parents' Evening.
NEW Wed 4th March 2026 - Parents' Evening.
NEW Thurs 5th March 2026 - World Book Day.
NEW Mon 9th April 2026 - Attendance Focus Fortnight begins.
Thurs 10th March 2026 - Year 3 Butser Ancient Farm Visit.
Friday 27th March 2026 - Early closing at 1.00pm.
Mon 30th March - Fri 10th April 2026 - **Easter Holidays**.

APRIL 2026

Mon 13th April 2026 - First day of Summer Term 1.
Thurs 23rd April 2026 - Year 2 Roald Dahl Visit.

Tues 28th April 2026 - Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Visit.

MAY 2026

Mon 4th May 2026 - BANK HOLIDAY School closed to pupils.
NEW Mon 11th May 2026 - KS2 SATs Week.
Mon 25th May - Fri 29th May 2026 - **May Half Term**.

JUNE 2026

Mon 1st June 2026 - First day of Summer Term 2.
NEW Thurs 18th June 2026 - Helping Hands Summer Fayre.
Friday 19th June 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.
NEW Mon 22nd June 2026 - KS2 Sports Day.
NEW Tues 23rd June 2026 - KS1 Sports Day.
Wed 24th-Thurs 25th June 2026 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.
NEW Tues 30th June 2026 - EYFS Beach Visit.

JULY 2026

NEW Mon 6th July 2026 - Attendance Focus Fortnight begins.
Friday 24th July 2026 - Last day of term.
Mon 27th July 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.
Tues 28th July - Monday 31st August 2026 - Summer Holiday's.

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school full of energy, focused and ready to learn. On Monday in assembly, we shared with the children that this year has been identified nationally as '**The Year of Reading**'.

As you know, reading is a vital skill that supports learning across all areas of the curriculum. It builds vocabulary, improves comprehension, sparks imagination and helps children develop empathy and critical thinking skills. Most importantly, fostering a love of reading opens the door to lifelong learning and enjoyment.

Throughout the year, we will be planning a range of events and activities to promote reading and to build our love for books even further. Please keep an eye out for upcoming opportunities to get involved and support reading at home and in school.



We look forward to an exciting year of reading together!

Warm regards,
Miss McDonald

HOUSE POINTS



148



154



143



150



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Striving For Excellence

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS

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AND
STRIVE!



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

TARGET:



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
THIS WEEK IS: **95.14%**

THIS WEEKS WINNING CLASS:
WELL DONE BIGGLESWADE!

CLASS ATTENDANCE

DATES - 19/12/2025 - 08/01/2026

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	LATES
CARISBROOKE:	97.96%	0
YARMOUTH:	95.33%	0
BIGGLESWADE:	98.67%	1
CORFE:	98.33%	0
BALMORAL:	92.00%	1
WINDSOR:	97.67%	1
ARUNDEL:	95.33%	3
BAMBURGH:	92.00%	4
KENDAL:	95.00%	1
WARWICK:	88.67%	1
EDINBURGH:	98.28%	1
STIRLING:	94.63%	5
DURHAM:	96.64%	3
YORK:	91.67%	0

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



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reader**
SCHOOL ID:
59721

WELL DONE TO:
WINDSOR & YORK
CLASSES

WORD OF THE WEEK



VALIANT



being really, really brave and
courageous, especially when
things are tough or scary, even if
it's hard.

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS



SCHOOL VALUE AWARD WINNERS

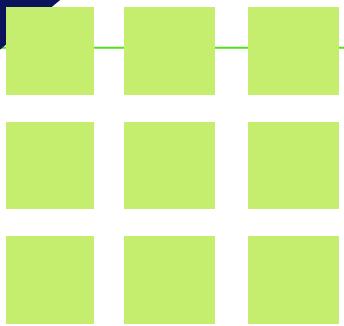


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POSITIVELY INFLUENCING THE WORLD AROUND US**

HALF TERM SUBJECT FOCUS: YOUNG AUTHOR AWARD



IN OTHER NEWS...



MENU

THIS WEEK WE ARE ON: WEEK THREE

AUTUMN/WINTER 2025 MENU

WEEK 3
W/C: 17/11/2025, 08/12/2025, 12/01/2026, 02/02/2026, 02/03/2026, 23/03/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY			
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1 Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad	Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken with Rainbow Rice	Fish Fingers with Chips			
	Veggie Meat Feast Pizza with Pasta Salad	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetable Pastry Slice with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Quorn and Vegetable Tikka Masala with Wholegrain Rice	Quorn Dippers with Chips			
	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta			
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD								
DESSERT	Chocolate Marble Cake	Apple Crumble with Custard	Lemon Cookie	Crunchy Chocolate Mousse	Strawberry Jelly			
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 <small>Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.</small>								

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

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Wednesday 1st October 2025 - Year 1 Osborne House Visit

Tuesday 14th October 2025 - Year 6 Milestones Museum Visit.

Wednesday 26th November 2025 - Year 5 London Visit.

Thursday 4th December 2025 - Year 1 Mayflower Studios Visit.

Thursday 22nd January 2026 - EYFS Amazon World Visit.

Thursday 29th January 2026 - Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Visit.

Tuesday 3rd February 2026 - Year 4 Winchester Science Centre Visit.

Tuesday 10th March 2026 - Year 3 Butser Ancient Farm Visit.

Thursday 23rd April 2026 - Year 2 Roald Dahl Museum & Story Centre Visit.

Tuesday 28th April 2026 - Year 5 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Visit.

Thursday 7th May 2026 - Year 1 Marwell Zoo Visit.

Wednesday 24th June-Thursday 25th June 2026 - Year 6 Leavers Visit.

June 2026 - Year 5 Sailing at RVYC, Seaview.

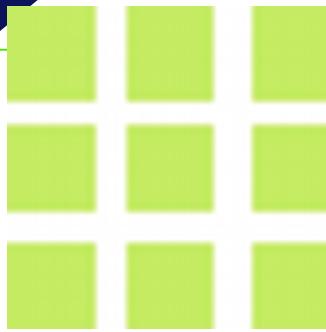
Tuesday 30th June 2026 - EYFS Bembridge Beach Visit.

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
Monday 27th July 2026 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

We have 1 more development day to take during the 2025-2026 academic year.



Parking Permits

Parking Permits for Chapel Street Car Park are available from the school office.

Please ask a member of the office team for one.



Uniform Reminder

A polite reminder that all children are expected to attend school wearing the correct Nine Acres school uniform. For children in Years 5 and Year 6, this includes a white shirt and school tie, which is the daily expectation. On PE days, children should come to school wearing their Nine Acres PE kit.

Please ensure that children do not wear branded clothing for PE. Trainers should only be worn on your child's allocated PE day.

On all other days, children should wear black school shoes.

Thank you for your continued support in maintaining our school standards.



EYFS Phonics Sessions

We are inviting families of children in EYFS to join your child for a Phonics session! This is your chance to see first hand how they are developing essential early reading skills and to be a part of their learning journey.

This is an opportunity to gain insight into how phonics is taught in school and how your child learns. Most importantly, this is a chance to share a wonderful, interactive experience with your child, celebrating their progress and fostering a love for reading together.

Join us from 9:00am – 9:30am on one of the following days:

- Monday 19th January
- Tuesday 20th January
- Wednesday 21st January



Year 6 SATS Information Sessions

We will be holding SATs information sessions for our Year 6 families on **Wednesday 14th January 2026**. There will be two sessions available on this date: 3.20pm or 5.00pm. A letter has already been sent home. Please return the reply slip indicating which session you will be attending.

We look forward to seeing you.



COMMUNITY NEWS

YOU ARE INVITED
new carnival
IOW MARDI GRAS 2026



Join Us for an Exciting Launch Event!
Find out all about this year's theme, how to get involved and what support is on offer.

JAN 28TH 5.30-6.30PM
Minghella Theatre, Quay Arts, Newport
RSVP: gemma@newcarnival.co.uk

Isle of Wight Pottery
Starts Fri 9th Jan



Kids Afternoon Pottery Club
Fridays 4pm - 5:30pm during term time.
£108 for 6 weeks

An exciting opportunity for your child to learn a variety of making techniques in a professional pottery studio. Over a 6 week period, we will explore wheel throwing, sculpting and modelling and follow the pottery process from start to finish. They'll finish with a range of glazed and fired pieces to take home.

To book visit us at: www.isleofwightpottery.com

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IN OTHER NEWS...



HELPING HANDS PTA

Diary Dates

Helping Hands Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 13th January 2026



Annual General Meeting

We look forward to welcoming you to the AGM of Nine Acres Community Primary School PTA, known as "Helping Hands", which is next week on **Tuesday 13th January 2026**. The PTA Annual General Meeting will start at 8.45am, in the school hall and should last for roughly half an hour.

The PTA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, as members of the PTA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at our school.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PTA Committee, who represent the association throughout the forthcoming year. Nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM for anyone wishing to stand as an Officer or Ordinary Committee Member, for the first time. Existing committee members wishing to stand for re-election do not have to be nominated again but should inform the PTA of their intention to stay in their role.

Our next committee meeting will be on **Tuesday 3rd February, 8.45am**, meeting in the foyer. If you would like to know more, please contact us via email on helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk or leave a message for us at the school office.

If you would like any further information about being a Committee Member, please speak to Clare Sim or contact helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Helping Hands

ENRICHMENT CLUBS

Our Enrichment Club Programme for **Spring Term 2026** started this week Monday 5th January 2026. The programme is open to all children from Year 1 to Year 6.



We have some spaces available in the clubs below, if your child would like to join, please email enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk to book spaces.

There will be no clubs running on **Monday 23rd February 2026** due to a School Development Day.

There will be no clubs running on **Thursday 12th February 2026** due to the Valentine's Disco.

There will be no clubs running on **Friday 28th March 2026** due to Early closing at 1.00pm.



Monday

Years 1-6 Huxley's Allsorts

Tuesday

Years 3/4/5 Chess Club
Years 3/4/5 Diamond Art Club
Years 3/4/5 Dodgeball Club

Wednesday

KS1 Cricket Club
KS2 Cricket Club

Thursday

Years 1-3 Llama Drama Club
Year 4-6 Llama Drama Club



Introducing a new Club!

We are looking to introduce a **Year 1 'Just Dance' Club** on Tuesdays from 3.10pm to 4.10pm.

There will be 12 places available and the price will be £27.00 for the 9 sessions.

This club will start on **Tuesday 20th January 2026**.



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