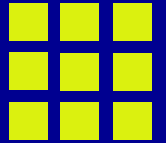




# NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 29th September 2023



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, NPOH



Dear Families of Nine Acres,

It has been another settled week in school with learning at the heart.

In assembly today, I talked to the children about our new lunchtime hall arrangements where the adults will serve the children. This should make lunch in the hall a little smoother and enable enough time for everyone to enjoy their lunch. I have asked the children to try to make sure they have remembered what they ordered in the morning so they can be served quickly. Can you remind them at home?!? Trying to get over 400+ children fed in the hall, in an hour and 15 mins is no mean feat! We have a great team though so by working with everyone together we can definitely make this happen!



I also talked to the children about our new reading rulers! Every child from Year 1 to Year 6 has been given a reading ruler to use as we work on our reading for understanding. The children will use these when being taught to read and reading for knowledge such as in History or Science. If you would like to purchase a reading ruler for home they are available at the office for £1.00.

Next week, we are looking forward to welcoming several published authors to Nine Acres to inspire our children as part of the IW Literary Festival, a variety of wellbeing and PSHE workshops for our KS2 pupils as part of our ambitious curriculum and our own Poetry event on Friday morning to celebrate National Poetry Day!



Thank you for supporting your child's attendance so they don't miss out on any opportunities at Nine Acres Primary!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Dyer



## Development Days

- Friday 1st September 2023 - DEVELOPMENT DAY—
- Tuesday 2nd Jan 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY
- Friday 21st June 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY
- Friday 26th July 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

1 more Development Day to be allocated.



### House Points Totals

Well done to **BLUE** house who received the most House Points for this week!



# Diary Dates 2023/2024



## OCTOBER 2023

Wed 4th Oct 2023 - Ryde Academy Open Evening for Year 6 families

Thurs 5th Oct 2023 - The Bay C of E Open Evening for Year 6 families 5.00-7.30pm.

NEW Fri 6th Oct 2023 - Year 3 Carisbrooke Castle Trip.

Mon 16th & Tues 17th October 2023 - Individuals School Photographs. (Class Days to be confirmed).

Mon 23rd Oct - Fri 3rd Nov 2023 - OCTOBER HALF TERM.

## NOVEMBER 2023

Tues 7th Nov 2023 - Flu Immunisations.

Wed 8th Nov 2023 - Year 1 Cinema Trip.

Fri 17th Nov 2023 - Year 2 Cinema Trip.

Wed 22nd Nov 2023 - Year 3/4 Cinema Trip.

Thurs 23rd Nov 2023 - Year 5/6 Cinema Trip.

Thurs 30th Nov 2023 - Year 1 Trip to The Mayflower Theatre to see Stick Man.

## DECEMBER 2023

Fri 1st Dec 2023 - Mufti Day for the Christmas Fayre.

Fri 8th Dec 2023 - Christmas Fayre.

Tues 12th Dec 2023 - EYFS Nativity - Afternoon Performance.

Wed 13th Dec 2023 - EYFS Nativity - Morning Performance.

Wed 13th Dec 2023 - KS1 Nativity - Afternoon Performance.

Thurs 14th Dec 2023 - KS1 Nativity - Morning Performance.

Tues 19th Dec 2023 - Early Closing at 1.00pm

Wed 20th Dec - Mon 1st Jan 2024 - Christmas Holidays.

## JANUARY 2024

Tues 2nd Jan 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

## FEBRUARY 2024

Mon 12th Feb - Fri 16th Feb 2024 - February Half Term.

## MARCH 2024

Thurs 7th March 2024 - WORLD BOOK DAY.

Thurs 28th March 2024 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Fri 29th March 2024 - Good Friday - School closed to pupils.

## APRIL 2024

Mon 1st April 2024 - Bank Holiday Monday - School closed to pupils.

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# Diary Dates 2023/2024 Continued

## APRIL 2024

Mon 1st April - Friday 12th April 2024 - Easter Holidays.

NEW Thurs 25th April 2024 - Year 4 KidZania Trip.

## MAY 2024

Mon 6th May 2024 - Bank holiday - School closed.

Week commencing 13th May 2024 - KS2 SATS.

Week commencing 20th May 2024 - KS1 SATS.

Mon 27th May 2024 - Bank Holiday - School closed.

Mon 27th May - Fri 31st May 2024 - May Half Term.

## JUNE 2024

Thurs 20th June 2024 - Summer Fayre.

Fri 21st June 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Mon 24th June & Tues 25th June 2024 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

## JULY 2024

Thurs 4th July 2024 - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day.

Fri 5th July 2024 - KS2 Sports Day.

Fri 26th July 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Mon 29th July 2024 - Fri 31st Aug 2024 - Summer Holidays.

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

**HELPING HANDS**  
**FANCY DRESS DISCO**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 5.30- 7.30pm  
Nine Acres Primary School Hall

Tickets on sale  
Monday  
In school office

£2.00 per person - **everyone** needs a ticket regardless of age!  
All children must be accompanied by responsible adult.

**This is a cash only event.**

Parentkind  
Member Association

# PE DAYS

Week Commencing  
Monday 2nd October 2023

All children should come to school in their PE kits on their allocated day.

\*\*NEW\*\* PE Days for each Year Group

EYFS - Monday = (Starting in November 2023)

Year 1 - Monday

Year 2 - Thursday

Year 3 - Wednesday

Year 4 - Tuesday

Year 5 - Friday

Year 6 - Wednesday

Please ensure your child has the appropriate PE kit and footwear for PE lessons. Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school everyday. Please remove all earrings before your child comes to school and ensure that long hair is tied back.



# Social Media

Do you follow us on Facebook? Scan the QR code to see our page on Facebook!!



SCAN ME

# Boom Reader (Go Read)

Please continue to log your child's reading on the Boom Reader (Go Read) app.

It is an expectation that all children in Years 1-6 should be reading at home at least 3 times a week.



THE BAYCE SCHOOL  
Believe - Inspire - Excel



# Year 7 Open Evening

Thursday 5th October 2023, 5.00-7.30pm

Presentation at 5.00pm and 6.00pm followed by tours of the Secondary School



Open Morning: Tuesday 10th October, 9.00-11.00am,  
please call to book an appointment

Contact us for more information: Telephone: 01983 403284 Email: [office@bayceschool.org](mailto:office@bayceschool.org) Website: [bayceschool.org](http://bayceschool.org)

# 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.



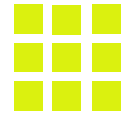
# Late Collections

Please may we remind you that the end of the school day is 3.00pm for EYFS and 3.10pm for the rest of the school. Please ensure you are prompt when collecting your child. If your child attends a pre-booked enrichment club after school then the collection time is 4.10pm.

If you are unable to collect at these times, please ensure you have made alternative arrangements for your child as there are no adults to supervise them. Little Acres - 532358.

# Nine Acres Community Primary School

## Explorer Awards



Corfe  
Everleigh-Rose - Arts



Kendal  
Layla - Science



Biggleswade  
I sabelle - Music

Warwick  
Thomas - History



Balmoral  
Eva - Computing

Edinburgh  
Blake - RE

Windsor  
Maddie - RE



Stirling  
Gracie - Computing

Arundel  
Seth & Jack - Science

Durham  
Taliah - PSHE



Bamburgh  
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York  
Harry - PSHE



Well done everyone!!



Ryde Academy  
Pell Lane  
Ryde  
PO33 3LN

01983 567 331



### Ryde Academy Open Evening 4th October 2023

We will be hosting our Open Evening Event on Wednesday 4th October for all Year 5 & 6 students and their parents.

Joy Ballard is the Academy's award winning Principal who has a strong background in leading excellence in education.

With our multimillion pound building, the Academy accommodates 1500 students and is fully equipped with specialist facilities in all areas to enable the teachers to deliver a First Class 21<sup>st</sup> Century Curriculum.

Presentations start at 4.30pm and 5.45pm in our theatre, followed by a tour of the Academy.

No booking is required, just turn up on the night.

We look forward to welcoming you on the evening.

Find out how we help students  
Find Their Remarkable



# Positive Feedback from Mr Ian Dickens

"Your delightful year groups looked after me wonderfully well. They listened really intently, asked some terrific questions and it was a delight to learn that they all intend to write stories for the IW Story Festival 500 words competition.

My visit to your school was the first of this initiative and if all the schools are like yours, then I know it will be a hugely rewarding experience.

Thank you to everyone who made me feel so welcome". From Mr Ian Dickens

# School Dinner Menu

Week Commencing  
Monday 2nd  
October - Week 3



WEEK 3		W/C: 01/05, 22/05, 19/06, 16/07, 11/09, 02/10				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
HOT MAINS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Butter Chicken Curry Served with Wholegrain Rice	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Cottage Pie Served with two vegetables	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips	
	Vegetarian Bolognese Served with Wholemeal Pasta	Tomato Vegetable Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Tomato Pasta Served with two vegetables	Macaroni Cheese Served with two vegetables	Vegetarian Dippers Served with Chips	
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potato- Cheese, Beans and Tuna- <u>Year 3,4,5+6 only</u>					
All main meals are served with two vegetables						
DESSERT	Berry Flopjack with Fruit	Shortbread	Chocolate Brownie with Fruit	Ice Cream	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	

For children in Year 3 and above the school dinner price has increased from September 2023 to £2.60 per meal.

The cost for a weeks dinners is £13.00.

# HELPING HANDS PTA



Dates for your calendar from Helping Hands

(Nine Acres Parent Teacher Association)

Halloween Family Disco - Thursday 19th October, 5.30- 7.30pm

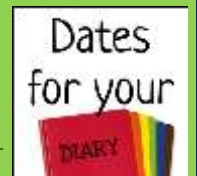
Tickets for the Halloween Disco go on sale from the school office on Monday on a first come first served basis. As it is a family event, all children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Each ticket costs £2.00 and everyone attending needs a ticket regardless of age.

There will be refreshments (hot and cold drinks, sweets and cakes), colouring, glow sticks and a raffle available but please note this is a cash only event.

The Halloween Family disco is open to all children in the school but is generally more popular with our younger children (EYFS - Year 3). In the past, this has proved an incredibly popular event and I strongly recommend buying your tickets early to avoid disappointment. If you are unable to attend this event, please remember, there will be another opportunity for your child to 'disco' in a few months' time at the Valentine's Discos. These will be children only events (supervised by Helping Hands and school staff) with enough tickets available for every child who wishes to attend!

Our next meeting will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 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



- ◆ Friday 20th October 2023 (Theme - 'film') - Pumpkin Parade.
- ◆ Friday 1st December 2023 - Christmas Fayre Mufti day.
- ◆ Friday 8th December 2023 - Christmas Fayre.
- ◆ Tuesday 19th December 2023 am - Santa Delivery
- ◆ Thursday 8th February 2024 - Valentine (children only) Disco.
- ◆ Thursday 20th June 2024 - Summer Festival Fayre.

We look forward to seeing you!

# World Space Week 2023

World Space Week 2023 is coming up (4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> October). This year's theme is 'Space and Entrepreneurship' and to celebrate, Nine Acres is tasking children to design their own rocket to explore space. It could be a picture, made of cardboard, be a Lego model or even a cake! It's completely up to you and we can't wait to see what you come up with.

Your design must:

- Have your name and class on.
- Be handed in by 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023 to the office.

There will be prizes for: Most eye catching, most realistic and most imaginative. We can't wait to see what the children create!



# Individual Photographs

Our school photographers will be in all day on Monday 16th October & Tuesday 17th October 2023 to take individual photographs of the children.

You will be notified by text, of the day your child will be photographed in due course.

# ENRICHMENT CLUBS

The Enrichment Clubs for Autumn Term 1 began on Monday 11th September 2023.

We still have a few spaces left in certain clubs for children in Years 1-6 to join. Should your child wish to join a club, please speak to Mrs Teague in the school office or email [enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk) to book places.

# Flu Immunisations

Our Flu Immunisations are due to be held on Tuesday 7th Nov 2023 during the school day. More details will be out soon.



# We are a nut free school!!

Please may we remind you that Nine Acres is a no nut school. Nuts and nut products should not be brought into school.



# 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



# Educational Visits



Friday 6th October 2023  
Year 3 Carisbrooke Castle Trip.  
No payment required.

Thursday 30th November 2023  
Year 1 Stick Man at the Mayflower  
Mast Theatre.

Deposit Payment was due - Friday 4th September 2023  
Full payment due by Monday 6th November 2023



Thursday 25th April 2024  
Year 4 KidZania London Trip.

Deposit Payment due - Monday 6th November 2023  
Full payment due by Monday 4th March 2024

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th June 2024  
Year 6 Chessington Leavers Trip.

Deposit Payment due - Monday 6th November 2023  
Full payment due by Monday 3rd June 2024



*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.*

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 ParentPay:

- School Dinners
- Enrichment Clubs
- School Trips

Please ensure your account is activated.

## Water Bottles and Waterproof Coats

We ask that only water is supplied on a day to day basis in your child's water bottle. This is the healthiest option.

As the weather is now changing, please ensure your child has a waterproof coat in school.

### 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 being active to improve mental health'.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/pshe-super-mood-movers-wellbeing/zpxc3j6>



**WHOLE SCHOOL OPEN MORNING**  
SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER 10.00AM UNTIL 12.30PM

Join us for tours of the School, a Q&A session with the Head Master and senior team, and an opportunity to talk to pupils, staff and parents. Enjoy displays, live music and drama performances and join in with science experiments.

An award winning school with a global outlook

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## Nine Acres School Car Park

Please do not use the school car park unless you have a school 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!

### ARE YOU ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Have your circumstances changed? Could you now be entitled to Free School Meals?

Families of children in Year 3 and up are required to pay for school Dinners unless you are entitled to benefit related Free School Meals.

To apply online please go to:  
[www.iow.gov.uk/council/OtherServices/Free-School-Meals/Key-Stage-1-and-2](http://www.iow.gov.uk/council/OtherServices/Free-School-Meals/Key-Stage-1-and-2)

Or  
We have forms to complete in the office.

# Cinema Trips

As part of National Schools Film Week we have secured films for Years 1-6 at Cineworld Cinema in Newport. Please see below for details of what your child will be watching and the date they will be attending.

All children will walk to the cinema on their chosen day and will need a waterproof coat for this trip.

## Year 1 Cinema Trip

Wednesday 8th November 2023 to watch The Smeds and the Smoos & Superworm.



## Year 2 Cinema Trip

Friday 17th November 2023 to watch Paddington.



## Year 3/4 Cinema Trip

Wednesday 22nd November 2023 to watch Early Man.



## Year 5/6 Cinema Trip

Thursday 23rd November 2023 to watch Epic Tales.



## EYFS TOURS for SEPTEMBER 2024

Call now to book your exclusive 2024 tour!

**01983 522984**

*'Pupils make exceptional progress in this compassionate and determined school' OFSTED 2023*



## Secondary Applications

Secondary school application letters have been sent by email to families of children in Year 6. The application process is open for making your child's application for Secondary School for September 2024. Deadline for applications is midnight on Tuesday 31st October 2023.

## School Attendance

Whole school attendance target 97%.  
Dates: 22/09/2023 - 28/09/2023

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	98.33%	2
Yarmouth:	94.00%	1
Biggleswade	97.67%	0
Corfe	97.78%	0
Balmoral:	94.00%	3
Windsor:	98.62%	1
Arundel:	97.86%	0
Bamburgh:	93.62%	3
Kendal:	95.33%	4
Warwick:	93.00%	2
Edinburgh:	91.08%	0
Stirling:	84.48%	0
Durham:	94.23%	2
York:	90.07%	0

Well done WINDSOR CLASS!!  
Whole school attendance this week is: 94.26%

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.



# Mr Toulson's Sports Bags

Each week, a child from every class is selected 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.



Please send in your sports photos to: [office@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk)