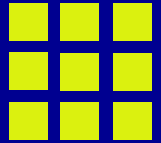




NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 17th 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, NPOH



Dear Families of Nine Acres,

This week, we saw the sun shining down on Warwick and Windsor classes as they enjoyed their first Forest School sessions. We are incredibly fortunate to have Geoff from Wood Learn Forest School sharing his expertise to provide this fantastic opportunity for our children. They returned to class beaming with excitement, having explored nature and built their confidence outdoors.



Across the school, children have been working particularly hard on their spelling, which is a key focus for us this term. Alongside this, we are encouraging independence in learning. I am so impressed by the children's focus and determination, no matter their starting points. It's important to remember that every child's progress is unique, and all achievements, whether big or small, deserve to be celebrated. The children are rightly proud of their growth, and we see this pride reflected in their smiles and willingness to take on new challenges.



On Wednesday, we will hold our second Learning Support Assistant (LSA) training day. Our LSAs play a vital role in teaching and learning at Nine Acres. We are committed to investing in their professional development to ensure they remain a highly skilled and effective team. This session will include training on children's oracy skills, developing fluency in Maths, understanding grammar, and providing effective in-class support to meet the needs of all pupils.

Our LSA team also have champion roles linked to their individual strengths, skills, and passions. This ensures that their unique talents are utilised to enhance learning across the school, creating a dynamic and supportive environment for all our children.

As always, Nine Acres continues to learn, reflect, and develop in partnership with you. We are here to work alongside you in nurturing your children's love of learning and helping them to achieve their best. Together, we can make a difference! #strivingforexcellence

Thank you for your continued support.
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

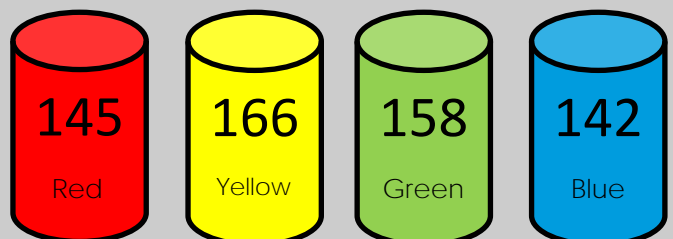
Tuesday 29th July 2025 - DEVELOPMENT DAY



House Point Totals for Spring Term 1 2025

Week 2

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



Spring Term 1 2025 - Knowledge Organisers

The Spring Term 1 2025 Knowledge Organisers have been sent home with your children this week. Please take a look about what your child will be learning during the term.

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

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: 10/01/2025 - 16/01/2025

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke	100%	0
Yarmouth	97.33%	0
Biggleswade	98.67%	3
Corfe	93.10%	0
Balmoral:	96.21%	5
Windsor:	95.86%	1
Arundel:	96.55%	1
Bamburgh:	96.00%	0
Kendal:	98.67%	2
Warwick:	96.33%	2
Edinburgh:	87.59%	0
Stirling:	92.67%	1
Durham:	94.67%	1
York:	95.33%	1

Well done CARISBROOKE!!
Whole school attendance this week is: 95.66%

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



JANUARY 2025

Wed 22nd Jan 2025 - Flu Immunisation Catch up session.

FEBRUARY 2025

Thurs 6th Feb 2025 - EYFS Amazon World Trip.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.*

Dates
for your



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 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.

ASPIRE



PACT

PARENTS AND CARERS TOGETHER

Health Visiting Provision Drop-In Session

**Free
Event!**

Please take part in our simple survey. Every response matters!



**Monday 27th Jan 2025
10.30am-12.30pm
Newport Library
Orchard St,
Newport
PO30 1LL**

Free £10 grocery voucher for all who attend, fill out our survey & complete a feedback form!

An amazing opportunity to meet the Island's Health Visiting Provision Team!

Cake, biscuits and glitter tattoos free on the day!

Come along and have a chat, have your views heard and questions answered

**Professionals available to chat to on the day:
Mandy Cusworth - Clinical & Operational Lead
Debbie Reece - Infant Feeding Co-ordinator
Helen Kalaker - Clinical Team Co-ordinator
Will Blake - Dadzclub**

Find out more or request transport using the details below



familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk



[IWfamilyinfohub](https://www.facebook.com/IWfamilyinfohub)



rosie@aspireryde.org.uk

Nine Acres Community Primary School

Spelling Champions of the week

Spelling Champion
in kendal Class

Lisla

Spelling Champion in
biggleswade Class

Eve

Spelling Champion in
Bamburgh Class

Isabella

Spelling Champion in Bal moral Class

Ralph

"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 1					
Week Commencing - 20/01, 10/02, 10/03 & 31/03					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Macaroni Cheesecake	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Roast German Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken Pizza Served with Plain Pasta	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	Tomato and Sweetcorn Pasta	Quorn Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Quorn Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Meatless Feast Cheesy Pizza Served with Plain Pasta	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
JACKET POTATOES	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings including Salmon Mayonnaise	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	Flapjack with Fruit	Apple Crumble with Custard	Strawberry Frozen Yoghurt	Raspberry Jelly	Chocolate Brownie
	AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Vegetarian • Oily Fish • Halal • Fruity! • Non-Halal's Choice				

Week Commencing
Monday 20th
January 2025
Week 1

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.



Attendance Focus Fortnight

Our next Attendance Focus Fortnight will be held during the weeks of Monday 3rd February - Friday 14th February.

Who will be at 100% and be in with a chance to win a prize?



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 soon. More details will follow shortly.



Flu Immunisation Catch-up Session

If you have booked for your child to have the flu immunisation as part of the catch-up session. They will be having their immunisation on Wednesday 22nd January during the school day.

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 are invited to a Beauty & the Beast themed ball here at Nine Acres on Thursday 27th February 2025 during the afternoon.



Enrichment Clubs Spring Term 1 2025

Our Enrichment Clubs for Spring Term are in full swing and the children are enjoying the variety of clubs on offer. Our new Enrichment Club Form will be out later this month so please keep an eye in your inboxes.



Spaces Available

We do have spaces available in the following clubs:

- LI ama Drama Cl ubs
- Years 5/6 Badminton Cl ub
- Years 3/4/5 Chess Cl ub
- Years 1-6 **HUXLEY'S ALLSORTS**

Please email:
enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk
to book places.



**DON'T MISS THIS FUN FAMILY FESTIVAL
DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM!
Thursday 20th to Saturday 22nd February**

JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



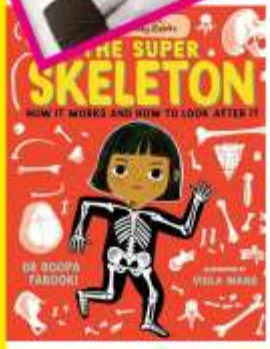
Come and see me at Quay Arts in February!

Tickets are now on sale for the IW Story Festival at Quay Arts during February half term from www.iwstoryfestival.com. It's a chance to meet performers and writers like **Maz Evans** (pictured on the left) creator of **Who Let the Gods Out**, who will be with us on Friday 21st Feb.

After wowing audiences at our Stories in Schools in June, poet Paul Lyalls returns for the main festival



There is so much to do at the IW Story Festival!



Find out how top **authors** like **M G Leonard**, **Naomi Ishiguro**, **Roopa Farooki** (left), and **Gareth Peter** **create** their books

Be **inspired** by **performances** including **Woodland Tales with Granddad** (pictured on right); **Brutal**, **Pinocchio** and **Asian Dance**

Imagine new characters in the **Secret Library** or with **the roll of dice**, and picture the stories created by storytellers **Steph Brittain**, **Holly Medland** and **Sue Bailey**



Puppet tales from Pickled Image



Pick up a programme from Quay Arts or any library

SOME QUESTION YOU MAY WANT TO ASK...

Q: Do I need to get my tickets in advance?

A: It's a good idea –they're selling fast! Go to: www.iwstoryfestival.com to buy yours now.

Q: How much are tickets?

A: Some are **TOTALLY FREE**, others cost £4 to £6

Q: Is it just for people who like reading?

NO! The IW Story Festival isn't just about books! There are lots of **hands-on activities** for you to try, including the art of **paper folding**, **drawing dastardly cartoons**, **creating a book scene** and many others.

More information from: www.iwstoryfestival.com

HELPING HANDS PTA



Nine Acres Parent/Teacher Association

We are very excited to announce our next event, which will see the return of the Valentine's Disco on Thursday 13th February. Our previous Valentine discos were very popular and lots of fun so, as before, this event will be children only (supervised by staff and Helping Hands committee). Tickets will cost £2, which will include squash, sweets and a glow stick – so no spending money will be needed on the night! In order to ensure spaces for all who want to come there will be 2 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. Tickets to go on sale soon!

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 or leave a message for us at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Helping Hands

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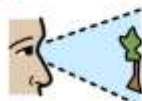
Word of the Week

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

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

To take a brief look at something, or to see something for a short time.

glimpse



If I am lucky I may glimpse a shooting star.

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.



National Offer Day for Secondary School Places

National Offer Day is the day families are notified by the School Admissions and Transport Team with an offer of a place at a secondary school.

National Offer Day for Secondary school places is **Monday 3rd March 2025.**

Families who applied online by the closing date will receive an email from the local authority on the 3rd March 2025 notifying them of the school where a place has been allocated for their child. Letters will also be sent 2nd class on this day to those families who did not apply online and those who will be receiving additional information.

Educational Visits at Nine Acres



Thursday 6th February 2025

EYFS Amazon World Trip

Deposit Payment due Fri 15th November 2024
Full payment 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 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!

New 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.

Helping Hands –
Nine Acres Primary PTA



Valentine's Disco Children only!



Thursday 13th February

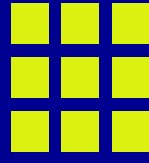
3.30-4.15pm EYFS - Y2 children

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.

PE DAYS



Nine Acres Primary School

Week Commencing Mon 20th January 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

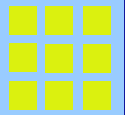
01983 522984

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.

