

I write this newsletter, there is a festive buzz across the school as we prepare to welcome our community! We can't wait to see you there! Remember all monies raised goes directly to the children of Nine Acres. A BIG SHOUT OUT to the Helping Hands team for all their liaison, organising and planning of such a wonderful event.

Next week, it's the start of our EYFS and KS1 Christmas Performances. The children have been rehearsing and I'm sure you've heard a song or two at home! So wrap up warm, bring a blanket, enjoy a hot chocolate and take your seat to see our children shine! We have been keeping a close eye on the weather forecast so fingers

crossed!! If we do need to postpone any of

the performances, due to the weather, to later in the week or even into the following week, we will let you know as soon as we can.

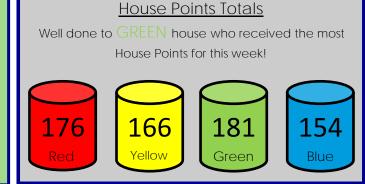


Also next week, we will open the doors to our KS2 Santa's workshop. Pop along from 1.45pm on Friday 15th December to see their toys. A minimum donation of £2.00 means you can take it home as an early Christmas gift to share. All monies raised will go towards our next Design and Technology Event. Entrance for Years 4/5/6 will be from the back playground and Year 3 from the front playground. The children are excited to see you!! Please remember we cannot accommodate buggies or pushchairs at this event.

A reminder that on Tuesday 19th December the school day will end at 1.00pm for all children and we return for our next adventures with you on Wednesday 3rd January 2024!

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Dyer

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Christmas Dinner Day:

Our Christmas Dinner will take place on Monday 18th December. All children have been signed up for a Christmas Dinner unless you have told us otherwise (there will be no jacket potato option on the day).

Christmas Jumper Day/Party Wear:

We welcome our community to come in their Christmas Jumpers/Christmas wear on Monday 18th December and also Tuesday 19th December. We have a special visitor taking time out of his busy schedule visiting on Tuesday!

EYFS Christmas Craft Afternoon:

On Thursday 14th December we will be holding our EYFS Christmas Craft afternoon. You are welcome to come to join your child in this crafting session (glue and glitter galore!) and maybe create a beautiful keepsake for your Christmas tree at home! The event will start at 2:00-2:45pm. We ask that only 1 adult attends the crafting session due to limited space. In addition, due to the limited space we will not be able to accommodate pushchairs or buggies. A limited buggy park area will be available to use at

the front of the school, however the school cannot take responsibility for any loss or damage so users do use this at their own risk.

KS2 Santa's Workshop:

As part of our KS2 Design and Technology Curriculum, the children (our Nine Acres elves) are busy planning, designing and creating Christmas toys for Santa's Workshop! All toys have an element of electronics to them so they even move or light up! We welcome our families in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 to join us on Friday 15th December from 1:45pm to come in and join us (from the back playground, Year 3 front playground). Our children are excited to tell you all about their project! You will be able to buy your child's toy for Christmas for a minimum donation of £2.00! What a bargain! You are welcome to take your child home with you once you have visited the workshop.

Due to limited space in our school we will not be able to accommodate pushchairs or buggies. A limited buggy park area will be available to use at the front of the school, however the school cannot take responsibility for any loss or damage so users do use this at their own risk.

EYFS Nativity:

It is beginning to sound a lot like Christmas as the children are practicing their songs around school! Join us for the EYFS Nativity (The Twinkly Nativity) on Tuesday 12th December starting at 2.00pm (please do not arrive before 1:45pm) and Wednesday 13th December starting at 10.00am (please do not arrive before 9:45am). s we have so many wonderful children in our school we will be holding our Nativity outside on the front playground so do wrap up warm. Hot Chocolates and a mince pie will be available to you! Families are welcome to buy tickets from the school office from Monday 4th December, each ticket will be £2.50 and all money raised will go directly towards our children. You will be able to buy 2 tickets for the Tuesday performance and/or 2 tickets for the Wednesday performance per child. Children under 3 do not need a ticket but we ask they sit on their adults lap due to space.

KS1 Christmas Play:

Join us for the KS1 Christmas Play (The Angel that nearly missed it all!!) on Wednesday 13th December starting at 2.00pm (please do not arrive before 1:45pm) and Thursday 14th December starting at 10.00am (please do not arrive before 9:45am). We have nearly 120 children in KS1 so again we will be holding our Christmas Performance outside on the front playground so do wrap up warm. Hot Chocolates and a mince pie will be available to you! Families are welcome to buy tickets from the school office from Monday 4th December each ticket will be £2.50 and all money raised will go directly towards our children. You will be able to buy 2 tickets for the Wednesday performance and/or 2 tickets for the Thursday performance per child. Children under 3 do not need a ticket but we ask they sit on their adults lap due to space.









DECEMBER 2023

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. Mon 18th Dec 2023 - Christmas Dinner Day. Tues 19th Dec 2023 - Early Closing at 1.00pm Wed 20th Dec - Mon 1st Jan 2024 - Christmas Holidays. Tues 2nd Jan 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY Fri 5th Jan 2024 - Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Trip. Thurs 25th Jan 2024 - EYFS Trip to Amazon World. Mon 12th Feb - Fri 16th Feb 2024 - February Half Term. 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. <u>Mon 1st April 2024</u> - Bank Holiday Monday - School closed to pupils. Mon 1st April - Friday 12th April 2024 - Easter Holidays. Thurs 25th April 2024 - Year 4 KidZania Trip. 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. Thurs 20th June 2024 - Summer Fayre. Fri 21st June 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY Mon 24th June & Tues 25th June 2024 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

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Diary Dates 2023/2024 Continued

JUNE 2024

<u>Thurs 20th June 2024</u> - Summer Fayre. <u>Fri 21st June 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY</u> <u>Mon 24th June & Tues 25th June 2024</u> - Year 6 Leavers Trip. <u>JULY 2024</u> <u>Thurs 4th July 2024</u> - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day. <u>Fri 5th July 2024</u> - KS2 Sports Day.

Fri 26th July 2024 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

<u>Mon 29th July 2024 - Fri 31st Aug 2024 - Summer</u> Holidays.

New dates will be added - Please check the box for <u>NEW</u> to see any added dates.

Enrichment Clubs Autumn 2 2023

The last week for clubs is

Monday 11th December 2023.





BAR 74, RYDE Hosted by the Sister Queens COLD BUFFET- GAMES- MEET & GREET- STORYTIME - CRAFTS **£12 per child** TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA TICKETSOURCE CO.UK/ENCHANTEDISLEUK



Week Commencing Monday 11th December 2023

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

PE Days for each Year Group

- EYFS Monday
- Year 1 Monday
- Year 2 Thursday
- Year 3 Wednesday
 - Year 4 Tuesday
 - Year 5 Friday
- Year 6 Wednesday

Please ensure your child has a Nine Acres PE kit and sensible 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.



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.



HELPING HANDS PTA

<u>Helping Hands</u> (Nine Acres Parent Teacher Association)



<u>Christmas Market – Friday 8th December, 3.30 – 5.00pm.</u>

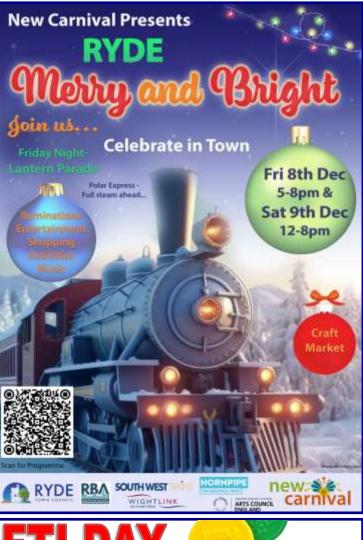
WOW!!! Thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas Market today, we hope you had as much fun as we did!! Congratulations to all of our prize winners!!

Helping Hands Meetings

Well done to all the Helping Hands team who got together today to help prepare for the Market. Our next meeting will be on Friday 12th January, 8.45am, gathering 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.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Helping Hands



Congratulations to RED House who have won the most

house points for this term. Well done RED House!!



EYFS TOURS for SEPTEMBER 2024

Call 522984 now to book your exclusive 2024 tour!

<u>01983 522984</u>



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.



UNIFORM REMINDER

When you chose Nine Acres Primary for your child you also chose to adhere to the Nine Acres uniform policy.

Therefore, a reminder:

- All children must wear black school shoes not trainers or boots or ankle boots in school.
- All children must have the expected PE uniform for school to take part in their lessons. This should only be worn on PE days.
- PE hoodies are for PE only. Children must have a Nine Acres jumper for other days.
- Children in Year 5 and Year 6 must wear a tie as part their smart uniform.

We know times are hard but this is an important part of our culture of excellence. So, if you are having financial worries and would like support to ensure your child is meeting these expectations please do not hesitate to contact us so we can support you and your child.

Please ensure that you have met all uniform expectations by <u>Wednesday 3rd January 2024</u>. We will be having a uniform check on Friday 5th January 2024.

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

<u>PE Kit (All Years)</u>

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



End of day procedures

If someone different to usual will be collecting your child at the end of the school day, please notify the school office by <u>2.30pm</u>. You can notify the office by calling 522984 or by emailing office@nineacrespri.co.uk

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.



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Week Commencing Monday 11th December 2023 Week 1

For children in Year 3 and above the school dinner price is $\underline{f2.60}$ per meal.

The cost for a weeks dinners is £13.00.



Educational Visits



Friday 5th January 2024

Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Trip. Deposit Payment due - Monday 27th November 2023 Full payment due by Monday 11th December 2023

<u>Thursday 25th January 2024</u>

EYFS Amazon World Trip. <u>Deposit Payment due - Friday 15th December 2023</u> <u>Full payment due by Monday 8th January 2024</u>





Thursday 25th April 2024

Year 4 KidZania London Trip. <u>Deposit Payment due - Monday 6th November 2023</u> <u>Full payment due by Monday 4th March 2024</u>

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th June 2024

Year 6 Chessington Leavers Trip. <u>Deposit Payment due - Monday 6th November</u> <u>2023</u> <u>Full payment due by Monday 3rd June 2024</u>



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.



Keep checking this box for further trips

being announced in the coming months. Lots of exciting opportunities to look forward too!!

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

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-moodmovers-wellbeing/zpxc3j6

School Attendance

Whole school attendance target 97% Dates: 01/12/2023 - 07/12/2023

Attendance Lates

arisbrooke:	94.33%
armouth:	97.33%
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almoral:	86.00%
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rundel:	92.14%
amburgh:	94.00%
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dinburgh:	95.52%
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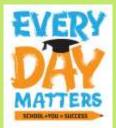
Well done <u>WARWICK CLASS!!</u> Whole school attendance this week is: <u>93.72%</u>

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.

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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.



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!

OPENING WITH THE MOUNTBATTEN HOSPICE 'LIGHTS OF LOVE' CAROL SERVICE ON WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER -7PM AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, BRIGHSTONE

BRIGHSTONE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

OVER 150 TREES ACROSS 10 VENUES

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FREE PARK & RIDE REFRESHMENTS MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT FATHER CHRISTMAS VISITS TRACTOR 'RIDE OUT' CRAFT STALLS RAFFLE MINI MARKET COMPETITIONS & QUIZ

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ST MARY'S CHURCH, BRIGHSTONE BRIGHSTONE METHODIST CHURCH THE WILBERFORCE HALL BRIGHSTONE SOCIAL CLUB BRIGHSTONE LIBRARY MOTTISTONE CHURCH ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CALBOURNE THE THREE BISHOPS PUB CALBOURNE WATER MILL THE ISLE OF WIGHT PEARL OUTSIDE TREES

DONATIONS WELCOME

www.brighstonechristmastree.com

We are proud to be part of the Brighstone Christmas Tree Festival and our Nine Acres tree will be on display in the main St Mary's Church in Brighstone.

