


NINE ACRES NEWS

Friday 9th December 2016

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 Dear Families,
We have had a festive week in school! The week actually started last Saturday with the traditional Nine Acres Christmas Fayre. It was a wonderful atmosphere with the community coming together. The event would not have been possible if it wasn't for our wonderful hard working Helping Hands team. They were instrumental in securing fabulous prizes for the raffle and engaging so many stall holders. They even managed to arrange a visit from Father Christmas! All money raised will go towards their latest projects which will benefit every child in our school.



On Monday, all of our Year 4 children travelled to Harry Potter Studios linked to their topic on 'Potions'. They were privileged to see the Great Hall decorated ready for Christmas dinner including flaming Christmas puddings and the streets of Hogwarts covered in snow. They came back full of Christmas magic!



The children of Nine Acres never cease to amaze me and the team. The youngest of our children have been incredible in their confidence to perform in front of friends and families. We were also put into the Christmas spirit with our celebration at The Minster this afternoon. I was overwhelmed by the number of families that joined us. I can't tell you how much this support means to us! A big thank you to the staffing team and parents who have supported the children's efforts be it making costumes or practicing lines- every little bit counts!



I was pleased to hold our first Parent Voice meeting of the term. We talked about communication, parents evenings and providing parents more opportunity to understand how they can support their child with Maths. This feedback is so important to us as a school and means that we can put in place and develop effective systems and procedures to support home/school partnerships. We are looking for a parent representative for Year 1 to join the group. Please let the office know if you are interested. The next meeting will be in February.
It is our last week in school before the holidays. A reminder that we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd January.
Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Dyer

School Development News

As part of the local authority partnership with the school we welcomed two local authority inspectors to review our progress in teaching and learning across school. They watched teaching in every classroom, looked at books and talked to leaders. They were very impressed by how far the school had come since September. They commented on the engagement from the children, improved quality of marking and presentation in books and clear impact of the different leaders in the school. The Governors and staff are pleased with this progress but are relentless in our joint mission to ensure every child receives the best possible education. We continue to look closely at improving spelling for the children, ensure good or better teaching happens in every classroom every day, as well as challenging our most able children. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nine Acres families and friends for their continued support, kind words of encouragement and valued feedback.

Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.2%**.

Dates: **01/12/16 - 08/12/16**

	Attendance	Lates
Yarmouth:	97.53%	4
Carisbrooke:	96.30%	2
Corfe:	96.21%	11
Hurst:	97.33%	2
Balmoral:	98.33%	2
Windsor:	97.83%	9
Arundel:	90.53%	0
Dover:	95.83%	0
Tintagel:	95.98%	8
Warwick:	97.50%	2
Edinburgh:	96.43%	2
Stirling:	96.55%	2
Durham:	93.15%	2
York:	93.68%	7

Congratulations Balmoral!

Whole school attendance this week is:
95.94% (Oh no!)

Star Learner of the week

Yarmouth:	The whole class
Carisbrooke:	The whole class
Corfe:	Summer
Hurst:	The whole class
Balmoral:	The whole class
Arundel:	Taylor
Dover:	Callum
Tintagel:	The whole class
Warwick:	The whole class
Windsor:	The whole class
Edinburgh:	Cody
Stirling:	Jack
York:	Sean
Durham:	Jankey

Diary Dates

Mon 12th Dec	Christmas Violin Concert
Tues 13th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Thurs 15 Dec	Year 3 Open Classroom- Dig for Dino Bones and Year 6 Open Classroom Electricity Challenge
Fri 16th Dec	Last day of Autumn Term
Tues 3rd Jan 2017	Spring Term begins
Mon 13th March	Parents Evening
Mon 12th June	Development Day- school closed to pupils
Thurs 6th July	KS1 Sports Day
Fri 7th July	KS2 Sports Day
Wed 12th July	Parents Evening
Tues 25th July	Development Day



House Points

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



Helping Hands – PTA

Dates for diaries:-



Spring Term events (dates to be confirmed):

Cake Sales, Jumble Sale, Phil – the Bag

Family Fun night, Easter Disco.

Christmas Cards and Mugs

The cards have now arrived and have been sent home with the children. The mugs will arrive early next week.



Jumble Sale

Early in the new year we will be having a jumble Sale. If you are having a clear out in the holiday please remember us!

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to all the families that supported the Fayre – it was a lot of fun! Congratulations to all those families who won prizes in the raffle! The event raised **£1,300** – an amazing total. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did! A massive **THANK YOU** to all the staff and parents who gave up so much of their time to make this event the success it was!!

W/C Monday 12th December 2016:

Monday: Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza/Italian Style Omelette(v) with Herby Garlic Bread Wedge, Sweetcorn and Broccoli, Yoghurt and Fruit Dippers



Tuesday: Christmas Lunch

Wednesday: Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes & Gravy/Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy (v), Braised Red Cabbage and Carrots, Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Sauce

Thursday: Chinese Chicken Noodles with Green Beans and Roasted Veg/Sweet Potato & Veggie Balti (v) with Basmati Rice, Green Beans and Roasted Veg, Fruit Flapjack

Friday: Golden Fish Fingers with Chips and Baked Beans or Peas/Cheesy Leek Sausages (v) with Chips, Baked Beans and Peas, Banana Bread and Butter Pudding with Custard



We would just like to say a big thank you to Mr Radcliff who donated the Christmas tree to Nine Acres this year! It was a wonderful gesture that has delighted the children! We have all had a lot of fun decorating it!

AGE UK ISLE OF WIGHT PRESENTS

Classic Christmas Film Festival

AT CINEWORLD CINEMAS, NEWPORT.

FRI 9TH DEC 8PM LOVE ACTUALLY

SAT 10TH DEC 2.30PM A MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL

SUN 11TH DEC 5.45PM ELF

TICKETS £10 ADULT £5 CHILD – FAMILY TICKETS AVAILABLE. ALL TICKETS INCLUDE A CHRISTMAS PACK OF SANTA HAT (OR ELF HAT FOR ELF) & A CANDY CANE. FOR TICKETS VISIT WWW.AGEUK.ORG.UK/ISLEOFWIGHT OR CALL 01983 525282 OR EMAIL FUNDRAISING@AGEUKIW.ORG.UK

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Nine Acres Car Free Day

Monday 12th December

Can you go car free for a day?

First 100 pupils to cycle or scooter to school will get a badge.



Car-Free Day



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JOIN THE MOVEMENT



Mums and Dads do you need a little extra time to do some Christmas shopping???

Children's Tennis

in Ventnor Tennis Club
with LTA licensed tennis coach, Linda Jones
and sports coach, Vanessa Winter

Every day is action packed
with team games,
tennis drills and matches.

December 19 | December 20 | December 21
Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday
mornings 9-12

Cost:
£12/morning

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No experience required, all equipment provided.