



NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 18th May 2018



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Dear Families,

Year 6 have been a real credit as they tackled their SATs tests with dedication. They were determined to show exactly what they were made of! A huge thank you to the Staffing Team and Volunteer army who came in to support our children.

Next week our Year 2 children will be taking their SATs. Once again we will support and nurture them through these. If you have any questions please do ask.



The Royal Wedding

We had a surprise visit today! Prince Harry and Meghan popped in to say hello and have a photo with the children. They didn't say much but were clearly pleased to meet us all before the big event!



I hope you have a lovely weekend!
Mrs Dyer

PARENTPAY



ParentPay – our new online payment service

We are pleased to announce that from the 4th June 2018 we will be accepting payments online for dinner money, school trips and clubs. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your debit or credit card. For those who are unable to access online you will still be able to use cash at a local PayPoint store. ParentPay will be our preferred method of making payments to school. A pre-launch letter has been sent home with your child today which will hopefully answer some of your initial questions. Letters containing your personal login will be sent via post to the parent who is first contact. For those parents who require an additional account for their child will need to contact the office for an additional login.

Social Media & Facebook

We would like to remind our families and friends of Nine Acres that we as a school use Facebook and Twitter to provide you with school updates about all the exciting work that happens at Nine Acres. We upload photos of your children (if you have given permission) and update you on any events we are holding at school. Please click the like/follow button on Facebook to see our feed.
Thank you!!



We would like to wish Prince Harry and Meghan Markle a wonderful wedding day tomorrow!! All the children have thoroughly enjoyed celebrating today!!

Diary Dates 2018

NEW Mon 21st May 2018 Year 2 SATS Week.

Mon 28th May - Fri 1st June 2018

HALF TERM.

NEW Fri 10th June 2018 Years 5 & 6 to take part in the Newport Games held at Medina College.

NEW Thurs 16th June 2018 Shift it Cycle to work with some of Year 4.

NEW Mon 18th June 2018 Class Photographs.

Fri 22nd June 2018 DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Thurs 28th June 2018 Whole School Transition Day.

Thurs 28th June 2018 Meet your child's new teacher for the new academic year - 3.15-4.15 p.m.

Fri 29th June 2018 Whole School Transition Day.

Thurs 5th July 2018 EYFS / KS1 Sports Day.

Fri 6th July 2018 KS2 Sports Day.

Wed 18th July 2018 Optional Parents Evening.

Fri 20th July 2018 Last day of the Summer Term.

Mon 23rd July 2018 DEVELOPMENT DAY.

NEW Tues 24th July - Fri 31st Aug 2018 Summer Break

Mon 3rd Sept 2018 DEVELOPMENT DAY.

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



Star Learners of the Week

Carisbrooke:	Ruby
Yarmouth:	Taliah
Corfe:	Logan
Hurst:	Dylan
Balmoral:	Sophie
Windsor:	Fredie
Arundel:	Olivia
Dover:	Annabel
Tintagel:	Amelia
Warwick:	Whole Class
Edinburgh:	Bethani
Stirling:	Evie
Durham:	Whole class
York:	Whole Class

Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.0%.**

Dates: **11/05/18 - 17/05/18**

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	95.79%	2
Yarmouth:	97.22%	1
Corfe:	98.93%	1
Hurst:	98.97%	1
Balmoral:	99.17%	2
Windsor:	93.33%	4
Arundel:	98.64%	1
Dover:	94.78%	1
Tintagel:	98.26%	1
Warwick:	98.18%	3
Edinburgh:	95.33%	2
Stirling:	99.33%	1
Durham:	100%	0
York:	100%	0

Congratulations Durham & York!

Whole school attendance this week is: **97.83%**

House Points

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



Year 6 Residential to the Brecon Beacons in Wales 18th-21st Sept 2018



In September 2018, our current Year 5 children have the opportunity to spend time in Wales. We have undertaken this residential on many occasions and the trips have always proven successful. The activities that the children access over the course of the trip are excellent and really do improve your child's independence, confidence and ability to work as a team. Many of our current Year 5's have already signed up for this residential, however should you wish your child to attend we still have a few spaces available.

Payments for this trip began in January so we would require prompt payment towards your child's place. The full cost of this trip is **£240.00**. Please see the office to book a place or if you require more details.

To secure a place for your child we will require a deposit of **£60.00** by Thursday 24th May 2018. The trip would need to be paid in full by Thursday 6th September 2018. Thank you.

Development Days so far.....

◆ ~~Friday 17th November 2017~~

◆ ~~Thursday 21st December 2017~~

◆ Friday 22nd June 2018

◆ Monday 23rd July 2018

Head Injuries

As part of our First Aid procedures some of you may have noticed that we send a text message to parents/carers if your child bumps their head.

These text messages are only sent when a minor injury occurs. If it is deemed necessary that the child's head injury is more serious then we will of course ring you and not just send a text. Please refer to the first aid slip sent home for more details on your child's injury. Thank you.



Child Led Assemblies



This term brings the beginning of our child led assemblies for our Nine Acres children. We are excited to begin these again, as they provide the children with an opportunity to increase their confidence and communication skills to a wider audience, a skill they will need in life.

Please find below the dates for individual classes. Parents/Carers are of course welcome to join us from 9.15 a.m. these assemblies will last no longer than 30 minutes. You are welcome to take photographs of your child on the day but as there will be other children involved, we ask that you refrain from putting these on any form of social media.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Time</u>
01.05.2018	Warwick Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
03.05.2018	Tintagel Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
08.05.2018	Dover Class	1.45-2.15 a.m.
18.05.2018	Arundel Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
22.05.2018	Corfe Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
05.06.2018	Hurst Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
12.06.2018	Edinburgh Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
19.06.2018	Stirling Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
26.06.2018	Windsor Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
03.07.2018	Balmoral Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
10.07.2018	Carisbrooke Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.
17.07.2018	Yarmouth Class	9.15-9.45 a.m.

Year 3 Swimming Lessons

West Wight Swimming Pool

Children from our Year 3 classes Arundel & Dover have begun swimming lessons this week. Children are travelling to and from West Wight Swimming Pool by coach and are supervised by members of staff. All children require a swimming costume/swim shorts, a pair of goggles, to bring a named towel and a bag for wet items. Children with verrucas will need to wear a verruca sock and children with long hair should have it tied up or wear a swimming cap.

The dates for swimming are as follows:

Tuesday 22nd May 2018 - NO SWIMMING

Tuesday 5th June 2018

Tuesday 12th June 2018

Tuesday 19th June 2018

Tuesday 26th June 2018

Tuesday 3rd July 2018

Tuesday 10th July 2018

Tuesday 17th July 2018 - NO SWIMMING

If you have any queries please speak to your child's teacher.

Thank you,
Nine Acres.



What to do if you are concerned about a child

If you are concerned about a child at any time please call 0300 3000 117 or if you feel it is an emergency please call 999. Thank you.



Helping Hands – PTA

Bingo Night

The date for the Bingo Night has been planned for Friday 29th June, 6-8pm. It would be great to see lots of you there! It is £1.00 entry per person playing and we normally manage to squeeze in approximately 4 games during the evening. There will be a small raffle and refreshments available.



NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 5th June 2018 **New time** 2.15pm.



CAR PARKING REMINDER

Please refrain from parking in the school carpark – Please use Chapel Street carpark to drop off and collect your children. Permits for Chapel Street parking are in the foyer.

Thank you.



SCHOOL VALUE AWARDS

At Nine Acres we celebrate not just academic achievements but also gifts and talents that our children demonstrate in all areas of life. This week, 2 children were awarded their value badges in recognition of their efforts:

Team Work



Thea – Warwick

Courage

Damien – Tintagel



WATER BOTTLES, HATS & SUN CREAM

Please ensure your child has a water bottle and a sunhat in school every day. Please also apply sun cream before your children come to school.

Thank you.



Keeping Safe Online

The internet is a great way for children to learn about the world, develop new skills and expand their knowledge but technology is changing all the time and it can be difficult to keep up! It is really important to supervise your child whilst they are online and to talk to them about what they should do if they are unsure or unhappy about anything they encounter on the internet. Many social media apps like Snapchat, Instagram and WhatsApp have age limits – did you know



you must be 18 to have a YouTube

account? The YouTube Kids app is a great way of making sure your child isn't accessing adult content but you should still make sure that you are monitoring what they are watching as sometimes videos slip through the net.

If you have any questions about how to keep your child safe online or if you're not sure about how to have the conversation with them, come in and talk to Mrs Hussey or search 'NSPCC Share Aware' online.

ParentPay - Our New Online Payment Service

We are pleased to announce that we will shortly be accepting payments online for items such as dinner money, school trips and clubs. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit or debit card or continue to make cash payments at PayPoint stores. ParentPay will be our preferred method of making payments to school.



What are the benefits to our school?

- ◆ The more parents that use ParentPay, the greater the benefit is to our school.
- ◆ You can help us reduce workloads for all staff, creating more time to lend to educational support and the smooth running of the school.
- ◆ Using ParentPay also ensures that all financial transactions are safe and secure - helping us to remove costs associated with us having to manage cash securely on the school premises.

What are the benefits to parents and pupils?

- ◆ ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7.
- ◆ The technology used is of the highest internet security available ensuring that your money will reach school safely – offering you peace of mind.
- ◆ Payments can be made by credit/debit card or cash payments at one of 33,000 PayPoint stores.
- ◆ full payment histories and statements are available to you securely online at anytime.
- ◆ Your children will not have to worry about losing money at school.
- ◆ Parents can choose to be alerted when their balances are low via email and/or SMS text.

How to get started with ParentPay

We will shortly be sending you your account activation details, just follow the instructions in the letter we give you to get started with ParentPay.

If you want to find out more about ParentPay go to:

<https://www.parentpay.com/parents/>

