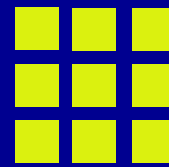


# NINE ACRES NEWS



*'Striving for Excellence'*

**Friday 17th February**

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, NPQH

Dear Families,

I can't believe it is the end of the Spring half term and we are half way through the year. The children have worked incredibly hard and it has been a pleasure to see them make progress in all their individual areas. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting us in our new morning routine. I know that it has taken us a little time to get it right and I thank you for your patience and feedback. The children have been great in getting themselves organised and straight into their learning. We will now manage to provide every child with an extra hours learning time in a safe and calm environment every week as a result of your support.

After lots of consultation with parents, staff, children and governors we now have a new strapline and vision by which we aim to achieve everyday:

*"Striving for Excellence"*

In our children's words they said:

*"Excellence means doing your hardest all the time by striving for excellence. I can strive for excellence in all areas. For example, I know I can get better at my Maths by perseverance and having independence"*

*"Excellence means getting better in little steps every single day. For example I know I can do better with gymnastics club, by perseverance"*

*"Excellence means caring and team work every day"*

*"I can strive for excellence by sharing games and respecting others"*

I have already seen the children demonstrating the new school values; Team Work, Respect, Aspiration, Perseverance, Caring, Creativity, Citizenship, Courage and Independence. This was evident when we were all treated to a sneak preview of the Y5 Global Rock performance. What an incredible team effort. We are all looking forward to seeing them perform at Portsmouth Guildhall on Thursday 2nd March to a very large audience! The children also demonstrated the value of Team Work as Miss Rowe took our first ever Spelling Bee Team to compete. Josie, Abigail, James, Chantelle and Jake were amazing and proudly came second only losing by 2 points!

A reminder that it is World Book day on Thursday 2nd March and children and staff are welcome to come in dressed as their favourite book character. We are a reading school so this day is a special celebration of how words can ignite our imagination.

Lastly I was delighted to receive the news that Newport Parish Council had listened to our plea for help and agreed to fund our road crossing for next year. This means so much to our community and I know many of you will join me in thanking Rachel, our lovely road crossing patrol lady, for keeping our children safe when they travel to and from school.

Have a wonderful half term.  
Mrs Dyer



## Governor news



At our last Full Governors meeting we appointed two new governors. Mr Mike Sizer-Green, who will be monitoring British Values in school and also Mrs Leanne Scorse who will monitor safeguarding practice alongside Mary Wozencroft, another governor. The Governing Body continues to monitor the work of the school including looking at children's books, pupil conferences and meeting with different leaders. This week Mrs Scott presented Maths and Miss Cunningham presented Sports.

## School Development News

Last week we welcomed our Local Authority Inspector for Mathematics to the school. He worked closely with Mrs Scott, our maths leader, to ensure that the children were getting the best opportunities in maths as possible. The children have been working very hard on their

## Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.0%**.  
Dates: **09/02/17 - 16/02/17**

	Attendance	Lates
Yarmouth:	95.37%	2
Carisbrooke:	95.06%	1
Corfe:	96.38%	7
Hurst:	94.10%	2
Balmoral:	99.17%	0
Windsor:	94.93%	3
Arundel:	98.11%	0
Dover:	99.17%	1
Tintagel:	98.85%	3
Warwick:	95.28%	2
Edinburgh:	96.13%	0
Stirling:	96.84%	0
Durham:	98.21%	1
York:	96.84%	3

**Congratulations Dover and Balmoral !**  
Whole school attendance this week is: **96.68% !**

## Star Learner of the week

Carisbrooke:	Imogen
Yarmouth:	Ethan
Corfe:	Isabella
Hurst:	Ellie
Balmoral:	Yudong
Arundel:	Amelia
Dover:	Dominic
Tintagel:	Toby
Warwick:	Bailey and Dominic
Windsor:	Lacey
Stirling:	Lydia
Edinburgh:	Grace
Durham:	Matilda
York:	Mia

## Diary Dates 2017

**Mon 20th - Fri 24th February** Half Term Break.

**Thurs 2nd March** Global Rock at Portsmouth Guildhall and World Book Day

**Fri 3rd March** Year 2 Roald Dahl Trip

**Wed 8th / 9th March** Voice In A Million

**Mon 13th March** Parents Evening

**Mon 20th / Tues 21st March** Year 5 Overnight Trip to London

**Wed 22nd March** World Water Day On The Wight

**Mon 8th May** Start of Year 6 SATS week

**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



**Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day!**

**Monday 8th May 2017 is the start of KS2 SATS week.**

### House Points

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



#### Nine Acres Child Led Assemblies:

Tuesday 7th March 9:15-9:45am Warwick

Tuesday 14th March 9:15-9:45am Tintagel

Tuesday 21st March 9:15am—9:45am Arundel

Tuesday 28th March 9:15am - 9:45am Dover

Tuesday 4th April 9:15am—9:45am Corfe

Tuesday 25th April 9:15am—9:45am Hurst

Tuesday 2nd May 9:15am—9:45am Edinburgh

Tuesday 16th May 9:15am—9:45am Stirling

Tuesday 23rd May 9:15am—9:45am Windsor

Tuesday 13th June 9:15am—9:45am Balmoral

Tuesday 20th June 9:15am—9:45am Carisbrooke

Tuesday 27th June 9:15am—9:45am Yarmouth

Parents are welcome to attend. Please arrive at the office foyer to sign in.

### W/C Monday 27th February 2017:

Monday: All Day Breakfast (Sausages, Bacon, Scrambled Egg, Baked Beans  $\frac{1}{2}$  Tomato)/Veggie All Day Breakfast (v) with Bread, Fruit Yoghurt with Melon & Peaches



Shrove Tuesday: Turkey Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce with Pasta/BBQ Bean Wrap served in a Tortilla Wrap (v) with Broccoli and Carrots, Pancakes with Fresh Fruit and Honey.

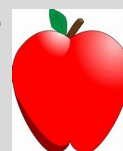
Wednesday: Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes & Gravy/Quorn and Vegetable Pie with Roast Potatoes (v), Seasonal Cabbage and Cauliflower, Ice Cream Pot

Thursday: Mexican Chilli with Rice, Tomato Salsa and Sweetcorn/Quorn Chow Mein with Noodles with Tomato Salsa and Sweetcorn, Banana & Sticky Toffee Pudding with Custard

Friday: Crispy Battered Fish/Cheesy Bread Whirl (v), served with Chips, Baked Beans and Coleslaw, Fruity Chocolate Crispie



**Healthy eating at Nine Acres: Please can you ensure that children only have a water to drink in school and a healthy snack for break time.**



### Helping Hands - PTA

#### Dates for diaries:

Cake Sales - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Easter Disco - Saturday 8th March 5pm-7pm

Family Fun Night - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 6pm-7.30pm

#### Family Fun Night

Our next event will be a family event held in the hall, hosted by Mr Smith in Year 4. It will lots of fun activities - no prizes just lots of opportunities to laugh and spend time with your family. Look out for the posters and more information coming out after the holidays.

A big thank you to all the Year 1 and 2 families who brought in the delicious cakes for the sale after school today, they looked amazing!! On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, it will be the turn of EYFS to donate cakes.



Another big thank you to Sustrans and John Allen and his company Wight Cycle Hire for the fantastic job they did, at the beginning of this term, fixing up our bikes and helping our children stay safe. This wouldn't have been possible without the support of Tom from Sustrans and their £100 funding towards the project - the other £125 being funded by Helping Hands. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank John Allen and his company Wight Cycle Hire for his generous donation of £25 which will be used in our current scooter rack project - turning the ideas from our Active Crew members, about how to improve the bike rack overcrowding, into a reality.

The next Helping Hands meeting will be on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March. We would love to see you there!



**A parent has checked and reported that their child has had head lice.**

**The child's hair has been treated but please check your child's hair this evening and continue to be vigilant on a regular basis.**

**If you have a problem eradicating head lice, please contact the school nurse, Julia Fahey, at 3 Daish Way, Newport, on 821388, who will be very willing to help you.**

## Kids Craft Day

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (Half-Term Week)

10.00 until 13.30



### Camp Hill Community Sports Club

Quarry View, Camp Hill, Newport PO30 5ZA

Food and drinks available to purchase including Bacon rolls & Hotdogs.



£1.00 per Child

Bring your children along to enjoy a few hours of fun, colouring, gluing sticking, cutting and creating something special and unique to remember the day!







## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

If your child misses a lot of school, they will:

Find the work harder  
Not feel part of the class group  
Find it harder to make and keep friendships

If your child has good attendance at school, they will:

Receive an attendance award  
Find it easier to learn  
Have closer friends  
Feel happier about school.

If your child is regularly late for school, they will:

Find it harder to settle into the school day  
Miss important notices  
Disrupt the other children in their class



## BEING ON TIME FOR SCHOOL

When your child arrives late for school, they miss their teachers instructions and the start of their learning.

They could also be missing vital intervention sessions which could help them to make progress quicker and be even more successful with whatever they are finding tricky.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days learning lost in a year.
5 Minutes	3.4 Days
10 minutes	6.9 Days
15 minutes	10.3 Days
20 minutes	13.8 Days
30 minutes	20.7 Days

Frequent lateness can add up to a considerable amount of learning lost and can seriously disadvantage your child

School starts at 8.45am. Please help your child to be on time.

## Latin Fever!

Tuesday's  
9.30am-10.30am  
£5

At Ventnor Central  
PO38 1LT  
Starting February  
the 28th  
No booking  
required just turn  
up!

**New aerobics class coming to Ventnor...**

A low-impact dance aerobics class featuring Latin music guaranteed to get your hips wiggling and your shoulders shimmying! Step-by-step combinations to help get the body moving, at your own pace.

For more information contact Sarah on: 07824630232 or email: sarahfitnessw@gmail.com



WEST WIGHT SWIMMING CLUB  
West Wight Community Sports Centre  
Moa Place, Freshwater  
PO40 9XH



West Wight Swimming Club would like to offer a **FREE** Taster Swimming Lesson Session for your child.

All swimming abilities catered for – teaching is conducted under ASA National Teaching Plan guidelines.

Our 30 minute Swimming Lessons run on a Tuesday afternoon from 4pm – 6pm.

You will need to book your place **in advance** for your Free Taster Lesson by calling our Head Swimming Teacher – Anne Collins on 01983 520051

PLEASE QUOTE ref: TASTER NINE ACRES PRIMARY

Only 1 Free Taster Swimming Lesson per child – please bring this voucher with you to your free lesson.

Tea, Cake & Tombola

Isle of Wight foodbank #TurningFashionIntoFood

Men's, Women's & Kids's Clothing Home Textiles

Saturday 4th March 10am till 1pm

Monthly Clothing Sale

Isle of Wight foodbank the trussell trust

@ Foodbank HQ, Love Lane, Cowes, PO31 7ET  
www.isleofwight.foodbank.org.uk

## Try Fencing...

In East Cowes!

Every Monday starting on the 27th of February.  
Just £7 for anybody aged 14-16years or £8 for adults, price includes coaching and use of equipment!

No experience needed!  
Just wear trainers a t-shirt and jogging bottoms.

6.30pm-7.30pm  
At Queensgate Primary School East Cowes

Booking essential! To book on please contact

Nick Stuart on: 07966311485 or email: westwightfencingclub@gmail.com



## Children's



at Ventnor Tennis Club

with LTA licensed tennis coach, Linda Jones

No experience required, all equipment provided!

LINDA

ljlouise@icloud.com

ventnortenniscub.com

St. Boniface Road, Ventnor  
PO38 1PJ

FEBRUARY  
20 22 24  
Monday Wednesday Friday

Mornings 9 - 12  
£ 12 / morning

## Talent Show

Saturday 4th March  
Ventnor Winter Gardens  
from 6pm



Different Categories- Adult - Child

Entry -£5 - Singles Groups 5 or more £10  
Audience tickets £5 Adult £2 child

Register - www.challengeandadventure.org.uk  
01983 - 527000 or email  
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