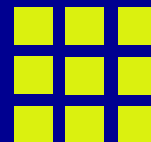


NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 18th December 2020



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#EXCELLENCE2020

Dear Families of Nine Acres Primary,

This is my last newsletter before the new year and what a year it has been! Never has it mattered so much that a community is bound together by spirit, kindness and true support for one another. We have and continue to face these challenges together.

Your overwhelming support, kind words and generosity has helped to pull us through. Thank you for all you have done to support your children's enthusiasm for learning at home but also keeping us all going!

The staffing team at Nine Acres are just a bunch of incredible human beings! I cannot thank them enough for all their support and sacrifices they have made over this year. They truly care about the children at Nine Acres and it shines through.

Although sometimes it may seem that decisions we make here sometimes have caused some confusion, we always have the best interests of your child, their friends and you at the heart so thank you for understanding especially when we have received Government guidance at very short notice!

Our pupils, your children, have been phenomenal. Their resilience and determination to get back to school has been a credit to see. They care about their learning and they care about their future. We see this every day in every one of them.

On behalf of the Governing Body and myself we wish you all a wonderful Christmas break and a very Happy New Year!

Mrs Dyer



REMINDERS

Monday 21st December - Father Christmas visits Nine Acres

The last day of term is **Tuesday 22nd December 2020**

Children will be leaving at the following times on the 22nd December:

- EYFS/Year 2/Year 4 - Leaving at **12:45pm**
- Year 1/Year 3/Year 5/Year 6 - Leaving at **1:00pm**

Our first day back after the Christmas Break is **Monday 4th January**

To notify the school of a positive COVID-19 case during the holiday period please email BOTH of these email addresses:

emergency@nineacrespri.co.uk AND office@nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk

Diary Dates 2020/2021



Tues 22nd Dec 2020 - Early closing at 12.45-1.00pm

- EYFS/Year 2/Year 4 - Finish at 12.45pm.
- Year 1/Year 3/Year 5 & Year 6 - Finish at 1.00pm.

Tues 22nd Dec - Fri 1st Jan 21 - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Mon 4th Jan 2021 - First day of Spring Term.

Tues 9th Feb 2021 - Safer Internet Day.

Mon 15th Feb - Fri 19th Feb 2021 - HALF TERM.

Thurs 4th Mar 2021 - World Book Day.

Fri 5th Mar - Sun 14th Mar 2021 - British Science Week.

Fri 12th Mar 2021 - World Maths Day.

Week beginning 22nd March 2021 - Parents' Evening.

Fri 26th Mar 2021 - Early Closing.

Fri 26th Mar - Fri 9th April 2021 - Easter Holidays.

Mon 12th April 2021 - First day of Summer Term.

W/B Mon 10th May 2021 - KS2 SATs Week.

W/B Mon 17th May 2021 - KS1 SATs Week.

Mon 31st May - Fri 4th June 2021 - HALF TERM.

Mon 21st Jun 2021 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Thurs 1st July 2021 - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day.

Fri 2nd July 2021 - KS2 Sports Day.

Thurs 22nd July 2021 - Last day of the Summer Term.

Fri 23rd July 2021 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

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

FLU VACCINATION REMINDER

There are two remaining catch up sessions for school aged children who were unable to receive their flu vaccination in school when the nurses visited. The clinic dates are: Wednesday 16th Dec 9:30-17:30pm at West Newport Family Centre PO30 5QT & Wednesday 6th January also at West Newport Family Centre 13:00-17:30pm. As these are drop in sessions there may be a short wait to see a nurse, social distancing measures will be in place and face masks must be worn.

Please dress warmly as you may have to wait outside.

SCHOOL UNIFORM AT NINE ACRES PRIMARY SCHOOL

EYFS - Year 4

Autumn/Spring 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 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



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

PE DAYS



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

Please ensure your child has the appropriate PE kit and 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.

Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.0%**.

Dates: **11/12/2020 - 17/12/2020**

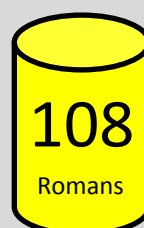
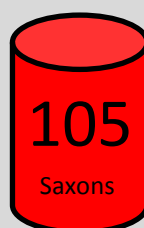
	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	98.31%	0
Yarmouth:	96.52%	2
Biggleswade	97.00%	1
Corfe:	95.67%	1
Balmoral:	100%	0
Windsor:	98.18%	0
Arundel:	93.20%	1
Bamburgh:	89.00%	0
Kendal:	99.33%	0
Warwick	92.59%	1
Edinburgh	98.40%	1
Stirling:	99.56%	0
Durham:	98.54%	1
York:	96.21%	2

Whole school attendance this week is: **96.59%**

Well done BALMORAL!!

House Points

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



ParentPay is our only method of making payments.



We no longer accept cash at the office.

All items that require payment will be available on ParentPay:

- **School Dinners**
- **Enrichment Clubs**
- **School Trips**

Please ensure your account is activated as soon as possible.

Development Days so far.....

~~Monday 2nd September 2020~~

~~Monday 2nd November 2020~~

Monday 21st June 2021

Friday 23rd July 2021



Reading at Home

It is an expectation that all children in Years EYFS – Year 6 should be reading at home at least 3 times a week. Their reading record should be signed by a parent/carer each week and these are checked in the classroom on a Thursday.



Monday 21st December 2020

All children are required to bring in a carrier bag on Monday 21st December 2020.



Year 5 - Dressed for the Alps Day

Year 5 are spending the day dressed for the Alps as part of their Geography focus on mountains on **Monday 21st December**.

They will be creating travel brochures to visit the Alps, designing and making ski lifts and enjoying hot chocolate. We are hoping to get some snow too!



Little Acres Childcare Centre

Little Acres Childcare Centre will be closing on Friday 18th December and will be shut over the Christmas period. They will re-open on Monday 4th January 2021 for Breakfast club only. They have a training day for staff on the 4th January so the nursery and the after school club will not be open.

Dinner Menu for Monday 21st & 22nd December

The menu for Mon 21st & Tues 22nd December is the following:

Monday 21st December 2020 - Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Wedges
Tuesday 22nd December 2020 - Hot Dog with Chips

**** Desserts in the last week of term are subject to change ****



Isle of Wight School Terms And Holidays 2020 – 2021

Determined programme of school term and holiday dates for county and controlled schools for the academic year 2020/21

SEPTEMBER 2020	OCTOBER 2020	NOVEMBER 2020
M 31 7 14 21 28	M 5 12 19 26	M 2* 9 16 23 30
T 1* 8 15 22 29	T 6 13 20 27	T 3 10 17 24
W 2 9 16 23 30	W 7 14 21 28	W 4 11 18 25
T 3 10 17 24	T 1 8 15 22 29	T 5 12 19 26
F 4 11 18 25	F 2 9 16# 23 30	F 6 13 20 27
S 5 12 19 26	S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28
S 6 13 20 27	S 4 11 18 25	S 1 8 15 22 29
DECEMBER 2020	JANUARY 2021	FEBRUARY 2021
M 7 14 21 28	M 4* 11 18 25	M 1 8 15 22*
T 1 8 15 22# 29	T 5 12 19 26	T 2 9 16 23
W 2 9 16 23 30	W 6 13 20 27	W 3 10 17 24
T 3 10 17 24 31	T 7 14 21 28	T 4 11 18 25
F 4 11 18 25	F 1 8 15 22 29	F 5 12# 19 26
S 5 12 19 26	S 2 9 16 23 30	S 6 13 20 27
S 6 13 20 27	S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28
MARCH 2021	APRIL 2021	MAY 2021
M 1 8 15 22 29	M 5 12* 19 26	M 3 10 17 24 31
T 2 9 16 23 30	T 6 13 20 27	T 4 11 18 25
W 3 10 17 24 31	W 7 14 21 28	W 5 12 19 26
T 4 11 18 25	T 1 8 15 22 29	T 6 13 20 27
F 5 12 19 26#	F 2 9 16 23 30	F 7 14 21 28#
S 6 13 20 27	S 3 10 17 24	S 1 8 15 22 29
S 7 14 21 28	S 4 11 18 25	S 2 9 16 23 30
JUNE 2021	JULY 2021	AUGUST 2021
M 7* 14 21 28	M 5 12 19 26	M 2 9 16 23 30
T 1 8 15 22 29	T 6 13 20 27	T 3 10 17 24 31
W 2 9 16 23 30	W 7 14 21 28	W 4 11 18 25
T 3 10 17 24	T 1 8 15 22 29	T 5 12 19 26
F 4 11 18 25	F 2 9 16 23# 30	F 6 13 20 27
S 5 12 19 26	S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28
S 6 13 20 27	S 4 11 18 25	S 1 8 15 22 29

LUNCHBOXES

From January 2021, children will be able to bring their lunches to school in a lunchbox or lunch bag.

School Car Park

Our school car park is for staff and visitors to the school only. It has been noted that there have been children who are unsupervised and therefore a potential safety risk, we would kindly request that parents/carers do not use this car park at any time.

Parking permits for the Chapel Street car park are available from the school office.

Spelling Champions

Biggleswade:	Thomas
Corfe:	Zoe
Balmoral:	Emma
Windsor:	Blake
Arundel:	Hazel
Bamburgh:	Francesco
Kendal:	Dylan
Warwick:	*****
Edinburgh:	Lana
Stirling:	Laiton
Year 6:	Daniel & Ruby

REMINDER - FACE COVERINGS

Following updated Government guidance, a face covering is now required when entering our school building. Please ensure you adhere to this requirement & use a face covering when dropping anything to the office.



Breakfast for Children

Our school has signed up to receive free, healthy breakfast food as part of the Covid response offer, under the National School Breakfast Programme (NSBP).

As part of this government-funded programme, we are able to send home packs of bagels, cereal or porridge to families who may need some support at the moment. If you would like to know more or ask for a pack, please contact the office and ask for Mrs Hussey.

We are here to help all of our families, especially in these challenging times!

The benefits of a healthy breakfast include children being settled and ready to learn at the start of the day.

#fuelforlearning

#schoolbreakfast

#healthybreakfast



Enrichment Clubs Spring Term 2021

The deadline for payments is **Saturday 2nd Jan 2021**. Payments are set to reducing balances on Parentpay so you are able to make several payments to cover the cost of your child's club.

Please ensure payment is made by the above date to secure your child's place.

There are still places available in most clubs so please let the office know if you would like your child to join a club.

FOR PARENTS

FREE* YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AWARE TRAINING

*discretionary donations encouraged

Bookings now open for our two January courses.

Only 25 places available per course – first come, first served.

Bookings essential. One booking per person.

Contact the Youth Trust

01983 529 569 info@iowyouthtrust.co.uk

iowyouthtrust.co.uk/aware

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INSTRUCTOR
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Reduce Reuse Recycle Wight this Christmas

Waste, Recycling and Garden subscription collections

Recycling, waste and garden collections will change over Christmas and New Year. See the table for changes to collections.

Excess polystyrene will be collected in clear or white sacks on general waste day between 19 December and 8 January.

Remember, excess recycling will always be taken on your recycling week!

Real tree Christmas collections

If you have a garden waste subscription, we will collect your real Christmas tree between 4 and 14 January with your garden waste on your garden waste collection day. Trees must be free of all decorations and pots.

Recycling centres

Lynnbottom Recycling Centre will be closed on Christmas Day ONLY. All other opening times are as normal.

Bulky waste collections

Bulky waste collections not available on Christmas Day or New Year's Day.

Festive and New Year Collection Schedule 2020-21 Waste/Recycling and Garden collections

Normally collected:	Will be collected on:
Monday 21 December	Saturday 19 December
Tuesday 22 December	Monday 21 December
Wednesday 23 December	Tuesday 22 December
Thursday 24 December	Wednesday 23 December
Friday 25 December (Christmas Day)	Thursday 24 December
Monday 28 December	Unchanged
Tuesday 29 December	Unchanged
Wednesday 30 December	Unchanged
Thursday 31 December	Unchanged
Friday 1 January 2021 (New Year's Day)	Saturday 2 January 2021