

NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'
Friday 24th April 2020



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 Nine Acres Families and New Nine Acres Families!

Firstly a big warm welcome to all our new families who have chosen Nine Acres for their children to start in EYFS in September. We know this can be both an exciting but also daunting time. Please don't worry, we will do this together at every step. You will be receiving a letter shortly with some additional information included to help support you. If however you do have any questions please do not hesitate to email us on: office@nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk We would rather you send us a quick email so we can respond than have you worry!

Our new 'Home Learning' packs are well underway! Staff have been working tremendously hard to get them all together for you and your children. They will be ready to collect on Monday 27th April and Tuesday 28th April from the front playground. A text has been sent to let you know timings. We will stagger the collection times however all packs will be available should you have more than one child at the school. We would ask our community to ensure they adhere to the social distancing routines when in the playground and just be patient as families find their packs.

Thank you to those families who have completed the Key Workers survey to let us know about your childcare needs. We look forward to seeing those children. At present we are welcoming just over 20 children everyday across all year groups so there are lots of friendly faces! We do really understand that this is a difficult time for families and sometimes children's behaviour can slip and it's hard to motivate them. We urge you to give us a call or an email so we can offer you personal support. You are not alone and you are not failing if this is happening. We recognise that everyone is doing their best but you can't do it alone - let us help!

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Dyer



Team Work - Mrs Broome and Mrs Mackrill for supporting the ARTS MARK Award through providing creative opportunities for the children.

Aspiration - Miss Bekesi for always thinking about how we can continue to develop Nine Acres Primary School into the outstanding school on the Isle of Wight.

Citizenship - Mrs Cox and Mrs Grant for their support of the children in school during lunchtimes

Creativity - Mrs Loizos for her entertaining Science videos to keep us always questioning 'WHY?'

Courage - Miss Paddon for being a great friend & professional always caring about the children and her team mates.

Perseverance - Miss Guy in learning Makaton.

Caring - Mrs Barnes for just being her wonderful self and someone the children respect and trust.

Independence - Miss Rowe for always thinking about the children and how she can support them both in school and out of school.

Respect - Mrs Smith for her absolute determination to ensure that the Home Learning Packs are ready for every child.

Useful Contacts

West Newport's Children Centre

Wellington Road, Newport, PO30 5QT

Tel: <u>01983 537390</u>

Wight DASH (Domestic Abuse) Tel: 01983

825981

Childline: Tel: <u>0800 1111</u>

Samaritans: Tel: <u>01983 617617</u>

Mental Health

Community Safe Haven: 01983 520168

Mental Health Crisis Advise

Tel: 01983 522214 available 24/7

NHS 111 Advice and Guidance Tel: 111

Community Mental Health Team Inclusion

IOW Drug and Alcohol Service 102 Carisbrooke Road, Newport, PO301DB

Tel: <u>01983 526654</u>

Community CAHMS

7 Pyle Street, Newport, PO30 1JW

Tel: <u>01983 523602</u>

Housing and Family Support

County Hall

High Street

Newport, Isle of Wight PO301UD

Tel: <u>01983 823040</u> **Opening Times:**

Monday - Thursday 8.30-5.00pm

Friday 8.30 - 4.30pm

Emergency Contact number (Out of Hours

only) Tel: 01983 821105

Foodbank

Church on the Roundabout

Coppins Bridge, Newport

PO30 2BX Tel: 01983 292040

https://isleofwight.foodbank.org.uk/get-

help/foodbank-vouchers/

Safeguarding Public Line: Tel: 0300 3000

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School Nursing & Health Visitor Team:

https://

www.facbook.com/600304920129668/ posts/150660023166794/

A message from Miss Hancox

Dear Arundel,

How are you all? Things are a bit quiet here at school without you and I am missing you all! I loved speaking to some of you on the phone it was a joy to hear your voices!! I have really enjoyed seeing your work and other exciting activities you have been doing at home, so please keep it up!! I have especially liked seeing lots of baking, crafts and exercise. What a great way to spend your time! I will be phoning again next week and hope to speak to all of you.

Here at school, we teachers have been busy preparing new packs for your learning. Remember, I expect you to try your hardest, but I don't want you to get upset. If something is really tricky, give it a go and think about everything we have done at school which might be able to help you, but don't worry if you can't remember how to do something.

I forget things all the time! That's what happens when you are learning. Let's remember to be kind to our parents and family as they are doing their best to help us. If you would like to write a letter back to me, or send an email I would love to hear about what you have been doing at home and how you are getting on with your work.

All the best, Miss Hancox and Mrs Winter

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Have your circumstances changed?

Could you now be entitled to Free School Meals?

To apply online please go to:

www.iow.gov.uk/council/OtherServices/Free-School-Meals/ Key-Stage-1-and-2

Follow the link 'Do it online' to apply online.



for a count of 5

do 3 cartwheels

do 10 jumping jacks

hop like a frog 8 times

for a count of 10

balance on your left foot

balance on your right foot

march like a toy soldier for a count of 12

pretend to jump rope

for a count of 20

do 3 somersaults

- walk like a bear for a count of 5
 - S bend down and touch your toes 20 times
 - pretend to pedal a bike with your hands for a count of 17
 - roll a ball using only your head
 - flap your arms like a bird 25 times
 - pretend to ride a horse for a count of 15
 - try and touch the clouds for a count of 15
 - walk on your knees for a count of 10
 - Z do 10 push-ups



Parent/Carer

Our ref: MPB/DPE/THE

6th April, 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I really hope this letter finds you well during this very uncertain time. As I know you will be fully aware, over recent weeks our Government has taken steps that are simply unprecedented in the history of this country. The decision to close all schools, except to a minority of students, is an essential part of the fight against the spread of Covid-19.

I fully understand you may have concerns and questions about how the closure of schools will impact upon your son/daughter's transition from their primary school to Medina College. I would, therefore, like to reassure you the transition process is a priority for me at this time, and I will be working with my colleagues across both primary and secondary schools to come up with a new transition package. As soon as I can give you the details of this I will write to you again.

We very much look forward to welcoming your son/daughter to our Medina College community and will ensure their transition is as smooth as it can be for them to feel safe a secure in their new surroundings.

Yours sincerely

Jo Tuck

Primary Transition Lead



We are here for you!!

We are only a phone call away!! Here are our contact details:

Tel:

01983 522984

Email:

office@nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk

Facebook



Nine Acres Community
Primary School



RAINBOW SCAVENGER HUNT

- A Find something red.
- A Find something yellow.
- A Find something orange.
- Find something green.
- A Find something blue.
- A Find something purple.
- Name a fruit that is red.
- Name an animal that is yellow.
- Name a vegetable that is orange.
- Name a plant that is green.
- Name a flower that is purple.
- Name something outside that is blue.

A message from Miss Boxell

Hi Bamburgh!!

Hope you are all well! It's very strange in the school without everyone here and safe to say that we miss each of you in the class a lot! It has been fantastic to see some of the incredible things you are doing at home - learning, time capsules, baking and painting. Keep going with all your hard work, we can't wait to read and see some of the things that you have produced. I am looking forward to putting some up on display and I am sure you are looking forward to prizes that you could win! Keep going! You are all amazing and can't wait to see you back at school.

This Easter break, I have been lucky because I live on a farm. I have been helping deliver lots of little lambs. Here is a picture of me taking two back to their mum as they got lost!

I am really excited about our next topic, which you will find out about in your new packs! I cannot wait to see

From Miss Boxell and Mrs Sibbick





Crossfield Avenue Cowes Isle of Wight PO31 8HB Tel: 01983 203103

E-mail: info@cowesec.org Website: www.cowesec.org

Principal: Mrs Rachel Kitley

6th April 2020

Educate for life

Dear parent/carer,

We are delighted that we have been able to offer your child a place at Cowes Enterprise College and we are looking forward to welcoming your child into our community in September.

Cowes Enterprise College is now established as the leading secondary school on the Isle of Wight and this year was yet again significantly oversubscribed. For September 2020 we now have both a lengthy waiting list and a large number of admission appeal meetings being organised, so congratulations on gaining your place and we are very pleased your child is among those joining us.

We pride ourselves on our supportive transition work at Cowes Enterprise College and I want to assure you that although this year's process will undoubtedly need to look different across the coming months, because of coronavirus, it will be no less strong because of the current situation. We will be supporting you and your child throughout the next few months so that they will join us in the next academic year feeling confident, ready and excited about beginning secondary school.

We are currently exploring new approaches to transition and ensuring that this work is our absolute priority at the academy. While our normal transition events will be unable to take place, we will replicate them and plan to use videos and digital information to introduce key members of staff and share important messages and information. We are also intending to deliver experiences of learning at CEC virtually, to replace, should we need to, our July transition day and also will hold a 'virtual' transition evening if this, again, will be necessary this year.

We will also be able to respond to your individual questions and get in touch personally where needed to ensure that the transition approaches are still bespoke. To this aim, I am delighted to launch our new transition email account today which is transition@cowesec.org. Please know that we will be taking the lead in getting in touch with you across every step of the transition way. However, the personal approach is very important to us and this account will, in addition, enable you to ask any questions or contact us should this be helpful.

Next term we will be sending out a pack to you containing information, advice and support. We also intend to set up a transition project for your children to complete at home to support their secondary preparation. We would therefore be grateful if you could provide us with any changes to your home address or contact details by emailing our SIMs and Data Manager, Kate Evans, on kevans@cowesec.org. Should you need any further information or have any other concerns at this time, in addition to our dedicated transition email address, you can also contact the main office on 01983 203167.

While I write to you under very different circumstances than we had anticipated, I assure you that here at Cowes Enterprise College supporting the transition of your child remains of the upmost importance and I personally very much look forward to meeting you all when possible.

Yours sincerely,

Rachel Kitley Principal

Cowes Enterprise College

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ONLINE SAFETY GUIDANCE

Online safety information and helpful resources for adults and young people are found on https:// www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/coronavirus.

For support aimed at children of all ages, parents, carers and teachers please visit www.thinkyouknow.co.uk.

A colleague from the Force Cyber Crime unit kindly shared this online activity book for students; https:// www.bleepingcomputer.com/news/security/ introduce-kids-to-cybersecurity-with-this-free-activitybook/.

May you all kindly remind colleagues, friends, parents/ guardians to take part in the live challenge to help stay scam aware Spot, Avoid, Report. More information on scams is found on https://www.hampshirepcc.gov.uk/get-involved/taking-action/scamnesty.

Just a reminder to all students the Think S.M.A.R.T trivia live challenge is going on and results will be published on Wednesday 6 May. Alternatively, enter the code 06896117 on https://kahoot.it/ to compete in this challenge.

More guidance on reporting online issues to CEOP can be found on https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ parents/Get-help/Reporting-an-incident/.

Cookery Section

Vintage Chocolate Chip Cookies

150g salted butter, softened

225g plain flour

80g light brown sugar

1/2 tsp bicarbonate of soda

80g granulated sugar

1/4 tsp salt

2 tsp vanilla extract

200g plain chocolate chips or

1 large egg

chunks

Heat the oven to 190C/fan170C/gas 5 and line two baking sheets with non-stick baking paper.

Put 150g softened salted butter, 80g light brown sugar and 80g granulated sugar into a bowl and beat until creamy.

Beat in 2 tsp vanilla extract and 1 large egg.

Sift 225g plain flour, ½ tsp bicarbonate of soda and ¼ tsp salt into the bowl and mix it in with a wooden spoon.

Add 200g plain chocolate chips or chunks and stir well.

Use a teaspoon to make small scoops of the mixture, spacing them well apart on the baking trays. This mixture should make about 30 cookies.

Bake for 8-10 mins until they are light brown on the edges and still slightly soft in the centre if you press them.

Leave on the tray for a couple of mins to set and then lift onto a cooling rack.



ISLE OF WIGHT DINOSAURS & FOSSIL LIFE WORDSEARCH

Put your excavation skills to the test and find all of the island's dinosaur and palaeontology related words hidden below! We don't always find all of a fossil - Can you uncover which word is missing?



PALAEONTOLOGY **GEOLOGY** FLOODPLAIN MARINE DINOSAUR CROCODILE TURTUE PLANT POLACANTHUS NEOVENATOR BARYONYX **VALDOSAURUS** SAUROPOD HYPSILOPHODON **IGUANODON** PTEROSAUR AMMONITE INSECT SHARK ICE AGE **CRETACEOUS EROSION**

SCHOOL NURSING TEAM

Dear Parents and Children.

We have identified a designated phone number for young people to message the school nursing team if they are anxious or worried at this time. We will be able to offer a call back with advice and sign post to the best resources and services for young people

The phone line will be open between Monday to Friday, 9.00am until 4.00pm The young person should leave a message and a member of the team will get back to them as soon as possible, within 24 hours and within the working week.

The number is 07341868124. The service will continue during the school holidays.

PRING SCAVENGER H

- SFind a yellow flower.
- Find 3 different shaped leaves.
- Find something that is red.
- Find a spider web.
- Find something that flies.
- Name 2 things you see in the sky.
- Find something that is long.
- Find something that grows that is green.
- Find 2 birds.
- Find some water.
- Sind something purple.



You can come and see all of the fossils above for real in our displays when we re-open! We can't KNOW? wait to meet you and tell you all about them.

INDOOR SCAVENGER HUNT

- · Find a fork.
- Find something that is red.
- Find a tissue box.
- Find 3 things that have wheels.
- Find an orange crayon.
- · Find something that is very soft.
- Find a band-aid.
- Find a key.
- Find 2 socks that match.
- Find something round.
- Find a sticker.
- Find a rubber band.
- Find a pair of glasses.
- Find an envelope.



SCHOOL'S WALK THE WIGHT 2020

Walk the Wight this year is a little different to normal but you can still get involved. Those children who signed up before the deadline, should have your Walk the Wight packs by now which include a walking chart and stickers to complete the chart. There is also a guide to how you can complete the challenge, its not just walking this year you can bounce, climb and ride!!

The £20.00 challenge is happening again this year, if you raise £20.00 or more for Mountbatten you will be entered into the

draw to win some awesome prizes!!

Mountbatten

Thank you!!

Stirling Class - Isle Dance DVD's

If you have ordered a copy of the Isle Dance DVD these will be inside your child's new learning pack.





NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT

- Find 4 pine cones.
- Find something that is yellow.
- Find 2 tree stumps.
- Find a feather.
- Find a seed pod.
- Find 4 smooth rocks.
- Find a spider web with a spider on it.
- Find 3 mushrooms.
- Find a long stick.
- Find 2 things that can fly.
- Find 3 different sized green leaves.
- Find a dandelion weed. Blow a wish.



CELEBRATION TIME

Nine Acres has been awarded the **SILVER ARTS MARK** from the Arts Council England in recognition of all the wonderful creative opportunities it provides our children. What a privilege to receive such an accolade!! A huge thank you

to Mrs Mackrill and Mrs Broome for their dedication to the creative curriculum and to all our wonderfully talented children!!





