

## **NINE ACRES NEWS**

'Striving for Excellence'
Friday 9th November 2018

Nine Acres Community Primary School, South View, Newport, Isle of Wight, P030 1QP www.nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk 01983 522984 Head teacher: Mrs E. Dyer BA Hons QTS, NPQH

#### Dear Families,

The children have settled well into their 'Early Bird' learning each morning. Thank you for your continued support with this routine. Feedback from the pupils is that it is already making them feel more confident with their arithmetic skills and feedback from teachers suggests that pupils are making rapid progress in developing their skills and understanding. On top of this our pupils have really risen to the challenge of learning their Times Tables, several children have been awarded their times table badges and certificates today. The children are chanting these as they move around school and I have been overwhelmed by the number of children who have taken it a step further and been practicing at home. Thank you again for your support.



A quick reminder that our consultation on adding 10 minutes of story time at the end of the school day closes on the 12th November. We really appreciate your constructive feedback and ideas on how we can further support. The next step will be to share the outcomes of the survey with the community and for the Governing Body to take on board the comments made. After this a decision will be made and parents notified.

Next Friday we will come off timetable to have a whole school day on 'Anti-Bullying'. The focus this year is on Respect and Cyberbullying. The children will discuss what is defined as bullying, how to keep themselves save online and suggestions of where to turn if they or their friend thinks they are being bullied. There will also be some further information for you in next week's newsletter so you can continue to support.

A reminder that the school is closed to pupils on <u>Friday 23rd November</u>. Teachers are working together to make sure we are all up to date with the new Mathematics and English strategies that need to be taught and the Leadership Team will be undertaking some further training on developing our Outstanding Culture.

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Dyer

#### IS YOUR CHILD DUE TO START SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2019? We are a GOOD school with STAY & PLAY SESSIONS **OPEN DAYS** 3.30-4.30 pm an OUTSTANDING 8th November, 29th November 20 Novemberand 13th December Come along to our drop in sessions 1.30pm Early Years Provision to play and explore with No appointment our EYFS team needed!

#### **Diary Dates 2018/2019**

Thurs 8th Nov 2018 Year 5 & 6 Cinema Trip.

Fri 9th Nov 2018 Year 5 Stargazing Evening 7.00-8.30 p.m.

Mon 12th Nov 2018 Alnwick Year 3/4 Class Parents' Evening (Sign up sheets out from Monday 5th November 2018).

Wed 14th Nov 2018 EYFS visit to Newport Library a.m.

Thurs 15th Nov 2018 Year 1 & 2 Cinema Trip.

Fri 16th Nov 2018 Year 5 Snow Centre Trip.

Wed 21st Nov 2018 Year 3 & 4 Cinema Trip.

Thurs 22nd Nov 2018 Year 2 Spinnaker Tower Trip.

Fri 23rd Nov 2018 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Mon 26th Nov 2018 Flu Vaccinations.

Mon 26th & Wed 28th Nov 2018 Parents Evenings.

Sat 1st Dec 2018 Helping Hands Christmas Fayre.

Tues 11th Dec 2018 EYFS Play - Afternoon Performance.

Wed 12th Dec 2018 EYFS Play - Morning Performance.

Wed 12th Dec 2018 Alnwick Class - Osborne House Visit

Wed 12th Dec 2018 KS1 Play - Afternoon Performance.

Fri 14th Dec 2018 KS2 Choral Singing at the Minister.

Thurs 20th Dec 2018 Christmas Dinner Day.

Fri 21st Dec 2018 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Mon 24th Dec 2018 - Fri 4th Jan 2019 Christmas Break.

Mon 7th Jan 2019 First day of the Spring Term.

Tues 15th Jan 2019 Year 6 Boosters begin 3.00-4.15pm.

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February 2019 HALF TERM.

Wed 6th Mar 2019 Parents Evening.

Mon 8th - Mon 22nd April 2019 HALF TERM/EASTER BREAK

Mon 8th July 2019 KS2 Sports Day.

Tues 9th July 2019 EYFS & KS1 Sports Day.

Tues 23rd July 2019 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

New dates will be added each week - Please check the box for <u>NEW</u> to see any added dates.

#### **HEADLICE IN SCHOOL**

A few cases of head lice have been reported in school. We ask that you please do your part in preventing the spread of this condition by checking your child/ren immediately and treating if necessary. If you can continue to check your child's hair regularly this would be helpful. The following website provides useful guidance <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits">www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits</a>

#### Development Days so far......



Monday 3rd September 2018
Friday 23rd November 2018
Friday 21st December 2018
Tuesday 23rd July 2018
(We have 1 more day to confirm)

## Congratulations!!

Miss McDonald has been successful in completing her national Qualification for Senior Leadership. Her assessor stated: "This is an outstanding submission"

"Given the outstanding quality of your submission and the rigour and energy with which you approached improvement in reading practice and attainment, your development needs are few and are both identified and met during the project. You should be very proud of your achievement"

We are very proud of you Miss McDonald!!

### School Development News

On Wednesday the EYFS team attended the Island conference. This involved networking with other school provisions, sharing best practice and hearing from key national speakers on getting it right for our youngest pupils.

Last week we also received our report from the Local Authority after their inspection on the 12th October. They were particularly impressed by the high quality teaching and learning throughout the school.

## <u>DINNER MENU CHANGE</u> <u>Monday 12th November 2018</u>

Commemorating 100 years......

Beef Stew or Vegetable Loaf

Served with Mashed Potatoes

Carrots Cabbage

Pudding - Trench Cake



#### PE Days with Miss Moseley and Mr Ballard for All Year Groups

Please ensure your child has their PE kits in school everyday as there mavbe opportunities for extra sessions during the week.



## Sports Awards

This weeks sports awards go to:

Dates: 02/10/2018 - 08/11/2018

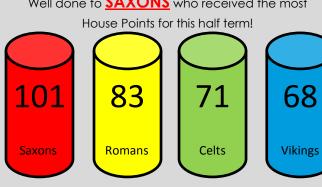
|              | Attendance | Lates |
|--------------|------------|-------|
| Carisbrooke: | 98.40%     | 0     |
| Yarmouth:    | 91.16%     | 0     |
| Corfe        | 99.46%     | 1     |
| Balmoral:    | 98.57%     | 2     |
| Windsor:     | 96.92%     | 5     |
| Arundel:     | 96.07%     | 5     |
| Alnwick:     | 99.03%     | 2     |
| Warwick      | 96.9%      | 2     |
| Edinburgh:   | 97.83%     | 3     |
| Stirling:    | 94.40%     | 2     |
| Durham:      | 95.33%     | 0     |
| York:        | 95.33%     | 0     |

Congratulations to Corfe who have won a sports session!!

Whole school attendance this week is: 96.45%

#### **House Points**

Well done to **SAXONS** who received the most



**ParentPay is our only** method of making payments to school from now on.



We no longer accept cash at the office. All items that require payment will be available on ParentPay for example:

- **School Dinners**
- **Enrichment Clubs** 
  - **School Trips**
- Residential Trips
  - **Music Tuition**

Login details have been sent by text to those who have not activated accounts yet. Please ensure your account is activated as soon as possible.

Thank you.



#### **Lovely feedback from our Maths Afternoon** with Years 3 and 4

- I appreciate having the chance to learn how my child learns.
- I found it useful to know which methods you are using in school.
- All of it was useful and well explained so I can now help my child more.
  - It was great to get a better understanding.

We say farewell to Mrs Edmunds who is leaving us today and thank her for all her work supporting the children of Nine Acres over the years. We wish her good luck in her new role at the College.

# Fruit and Vegetables

Children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided FREE fruit and/or vegetables at break times. Please encourage your child to take advantage of this.



We would like to thank Lisa McKenzie from
Liz Earle in Ryde for the generous donation of
Christmas baubles. Our PTA Helping Hands will be
utilising these during our Christmas Fayre.



#### **Nine Acres - Inter House Tag Rugby Winners**

#### YEAR 5

1<sup>st</sup> Yellow

2<sup>nd</sup> Red

3<sup>rd</sup> Green

4<sup>th</sup> Blue

#### YEAR 6

1<sup>st</sup> Yellow

2<sup>nd</sup> Red

3<sup>rd</sup> Green

4<sup>th</sup> Blue

#### **KS2 Overall**

1<sup>st</sup> Yellow

2<sup>nd</sup> Red

3<sup>rd</sup> Green

4<sup>th</sup> Blue





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Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 12 noon - 2.30pm when the raffle will be drawn!!

There will be many stalls including Santa's Grotto, Raffle, Sand Art, Chocolate Tombola, Teddy Tombola, Face Painting, Games, Craft Stalls, Refreshments and more!

Parentkind Member Association

#### Helping Hands – PTA

#### Halloween Disco – 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

Thank you to everyone who came and supported

the Halloween Disco – you all looked fantastic! A special congratulations to the winners of the fancy dress competition. The evening was a lot of fun and raised an amazing £215.95.

Annual General Meeting – Mon 5th November 9.00am

Thank you to all the wonderful people who came to the AGM on Monday. The meeting was very well supported and gave the committee a chance to share an overview of what had happened last year – covering events and money raised and spent. We are also very grateful to the parents who remained for the ordinary meeting after, sharing their ideas for future events.

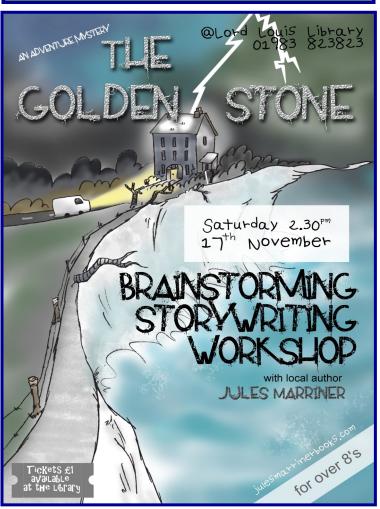
#### Christmas Card and Mug Design

Over the last few weeks, all the children have been creating a Christmas (or Winter if appropriate) design. These will be sent away and can be turned into cards or mugs if you would like to purchase them. Please look out in your child's book bag, as in the next week we are expecting the Christmas Card and Mug Design order forms to arrive! There will be more information once the proofs are with us.

NEXT MEETING – Monday 03.12.18 at 9.00 am, meet in the foyer – All welcome.

#### **Dates for Diaries**

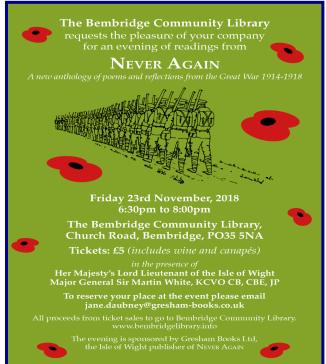
Christmas Fayre – Saturday 1st December, 12.00-3.00pm Annual General Meeting – Monday 5th November 9.00am NEXT MEETING - Monday 03.12.18





# Uniform

Please ensure all your child's uniform is fully labelled with your child's name. Thank you.





sponsible adult.

