

NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

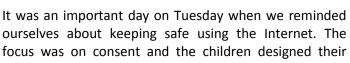
Friday 8th February 2019

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Dear Families,

Thank you to those family members from Years 1-4 who joined us for 'Storytime' on Thursday afternoon. We wanted to share just a little bit of what the children experience in those extra 10 minutes that were added to our school day since January. We received lots of positive comments about how the children were engaged and the teachers have noticed that the children are trying to use the story language, characters and vocabulary in their own writing. We are hoping to hold another session with parents for Years 1-6 on the 7th March as we celebrate World

Book Day. More details will follow.

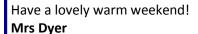


own pledges. I cannot emphasis enough the importance of knowing what your child is accessing including using gaming apps and sites.

I can't quite believe we will be coming into the last week before half term. It has been a really exciting time and it is a privilege to pop into lessons and dip into pupils' books to see their incredible hard work.

What has been even more wonderful has been the comments made to me by parents when I'm out on the playground about how pleased they are with their child's progress and complimenting the dedication of the teaching team. There is a lot that goes on behind the scenes in a school and everyone is working in the best interests of each indi-

vidual child. Thank you for recognising this - I always pass your comments on to the team and trust me this really makes their day!





Congratulations

Mrs Hussey has had her baby!!
A gorgeous little boy. Both Mum
and baby are doing well.

Congratulations from All of Us!!





We extend a warm welcome to Miss Rabbetts who has joined the office team as our new Admin Apprentice.

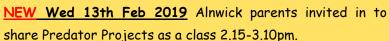
School Development News

This week myself, Mrs Broome and Mr Sizer-Green (School Governor) attended a safeguarding update. They talked about how we can further strengthen our procedures and ensure that we are continuing to keep safeguarding at the forefront of our minds. We are very lucky at Nine Acres that the excellent relationships with pupils, staff and parents supports an open and honest dialogue and we all put the children first. A reminder that Mrs Hussey is currently on maternity leave and Mrs Broome will be overseeing safeguarding in her absence. Please do not hesitate to ask for an appointment or call 0300 300 0117 if you are concerned about the welfare and wellbeing of a child. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Diary Dates 2018/2019

Mon 11th Feb 2019 Year 5 Isle Dance Show -

Show starts at 7pm at Medina Theatre.



NEW Thurs 14th Feb 2019 Valentines Menu.

NEW Thurs 14th Feb 2019 Performance of Year 5 Isle Dance to Parents 5.30-6.00pm.

NEW Fri 15th Feb 2019 Year 1 'Be our Guest' Ball - Parents invited (1.45pm).

Fri 15th Feb 2019 EYFS 'Big Me' Dressing Up Day.

Fri 15th Feb 2019 Spring 1 Enrichment Clubs Finish.

Fri 15th Feb 2019 Last day of term.

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

<u>Thurs 28th Feb - Fri 1st Mar 2019</u> Year 3 Novium Museum Overnight Trip.

Mon 4th & Wed 6th Mar 2019 Parents' Evening.

NEW Week Commencing 11th March 2019 Science Week.

NEW Wed 13th March 2019 EYFS and Year 6 Height and

Weight Checks with the School Nurse Team.

28th Mar - 29th Mar 2019 Year 5 London Overnight Trip.

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

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 - Please check the box for $\underline{\text{NEW}}$ to see any added dates.

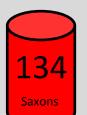
World Book Day: Early Notice!

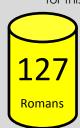
We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. We would love the children to dress in their favourite book character or dress as a character from the book they are studying in class.



House Points

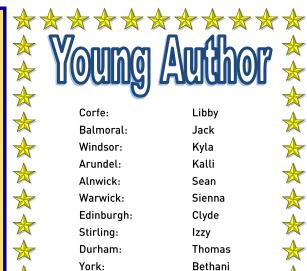
Well done to CELTS who received the most House Points for this week!











Parents Evening: Early Notice!

Parents' Evenings will be Monday

4th March & Wednesday 6th March 2019.
Booking sheets will be out nearer to these dates.



Health & Safety Inspection

We undertook our annual health and safety checks last week with our external verifier. He was really impressed with the commitment to this. A huge thank you to Mrs Brame, Mr Worrell, Miss Cunningham and Mrs Smith for helping to keep everyone safe in school.

Attendance

Whole school attendance target **96.0%.**

Dates: 01/01/2019 - 07/02/2019

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	97.60%	2
Yarmouth:	85.37%	5
Corfe	93.51%	1
Balmoral:	94.29%	5
Windsor:	93.08%	4
Arundel:	95.36%	5
Alnwick:	94.19%	2
Warwick	93.93%	1
Edinburgh:	93.04%	0
Stirling:	96.09%	3
Durham:	97.67%	1
York:	87.00%	1

Whole school attendance this week is: 93.08%

Well done Durham!!

Meet the Teacher



A bit about me ...

My family and I moved to the island when I was very young and I loved growing up here. After school, I moved to Bognor Regis for 3 years to complete my teaching degree specialising in Citizenship but moved back here after to be with my family. I have 2 younger sisters and an older brother along with my dog called Humphrey and budgie called Einstein. I now live with my best friend.

Miss Hayward

Why I enjoy being part of the Nine Acres Team

Nine Acres is truly a school like no other. I have never worked in a school where the children are so excited to learn. They work extremely hard and their manners and sense of humour brighten up the day. Staff work so collaboratively and are constantly sharing good practise to make our teaching the best it can be. We work together with the children to make every lesson as fun and engaging as possible.

Things I am learning to help the children

Starting to recall our times tables facts, we want to learn them all by the end of Year 2!

As PSHE lead, getting the children to use and apply our school values in all aspects of our learning.

My Education

Shanklin C of E Primary School

Lake Middle School

Sandown High School

University of Chichester BA (Hons)

My Favourite Things

Going to concerts/theatre

Spending time with my family

Chocolate

Dogs

Musicals

Snow

Going to the gym—mainly to burn off the chocolate!

RECYCLE WITH MICHAEL

The Salvation Army will collect the bags on Wed 13th Feb, the money raised from the items will be shared with the school. **The more bags we fill – the more cash we raise!** If you're having a clear out, remember Recycle with Michael, and donate to a great cause.

We hope you'll help to support us and give your preloved clothes a new lease of life. If you have any questions, please

feel free to discuss the project with teachers or pop into the office for more information.

Accepted items to put in your bag.

- Clothing
- Shoes (preferably in pairs, tied together if possible)
- Socks
- Pyjamas
- Bed linen (sheets, pillow cases)

Please return your filled bag to the office on Wednesday 13th February



HELPING HANDS

Cake Sales

A massive thank you to all the Year 5 and 6 families who brought in the delicious cakes for the sale last week. We were overwhelmed by the amount of cakes and grateful that no one was put off bringing in cakes by the snow!! The sale raised a fantastic £60.67, which is an amazing amount and



extraordinary when you take into account the unusual weather conditions!!

Next Friday (15.2.19) it will be the turn of the children in Year 3 and 4 to donate cakes.

NEW DATE - Easter Disco - Friday 5th April, 5.30 - 7.30pm

The always popular Fancy Dress Easter Disco will be taking place again this year. As in previous years, the disco will be provided by Alan Stone and there will be prizes for the best costumes. Tickets will go on sale when the posters go up!!

Dates for your Diary

Friday 15th February 2019 – Year 3 and 4 cake sales
Friday 8th March 2019 – Year 1 and 2 cake sales
Friday 22nd March 2019 – EYFS cake sale

NEXT MEETING - Monday 11th February, 9.00am meet by the office.

VALENTINES DAY MENU - Thurs 14th Feb



Spaghetti Bolognaise Or Quorn Spaghetti Bolognaise served with Carrots and Peas Valentine Chocolate Cookies

£1.95 for Years 3-6 unless entitled to Free
School Meals



Development Days so far......



Monday 3rd September 2018

Friday 23rd November 2018

Friday 21st December 2018

Monday 17th June 2019 Tuesday 23rd July 2019

ParentPay is our only method of making payments to school.



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

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.



Sports Newsl



This week in PE...

EYFS & Year 1 - Dance/ Football

Y3, 3/4 & 4 - Dance/Gymnastics/Basketball

Year 5 & 6 - Basketball

National Schools Football Week 4th- 8th February

This week all children have participated in different activities which promote fair play, team work and reflect the spirit of the game. In EYFS and Year 1 the children have developed further their skills as well as taking part in a penalty shootout. In Key Stage 2 the children competed in a class vs class penalty shootout. We saw some brilliant penalty shots and some great saves, it was lovely to see the classes come together to support one another. Results will be announced during Monday assembly with the class with the most points overall winning a trophy.



Upcoming events

Postponed due to weather, new date tbc – IOW Cross Country Championships Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Northwood

Tuesday 5th & 12th February – Year 5 Interhouse Basketball

Tuesday 12th February – Year 6 Table Tennis

<u>Thursday 14th</u> <u>February</u> - Year 6 Interhouse Basketball

Friday 15th February – Year 3 & 4 Interhouse Basketball

A Match report, thoughts and feelings of the Year 5/6 Schools Basketball Competition

The basketball competition was really exciting. We came 3rd as a team and 2nd as a school! We all feel very proud of these achievements. I felt very excited as the first whistle blew for our first game to start! The game was close but we played as a team and worked well together, because of this we won the first game. Our 2nd game was against Summerfield's, we tried really hard and got the first basket, the other school managed to score one as well and then we had many chances however the game ended in a draw. The 3rd game was Barton B team we played well but sadly lost. Although we thought the other team deserved it as they was very good. Our final game was against Barton A, we tried to make a big final effort to win our last game! Unfortunately we lost. We would definitely recommend taking part in the competition! It's an amazing opportunity and we would 100% like to go again.

By: Ruby P, Lacey, Louie, Archie, Isaac, Erin, Ollie, Reece, Liam





Cricket Report

On Tuesday 29th January the year 5 and 6 cricket team travelled to Medina College, to take part in an indoor cricket competition against 4 other schools. We had a strong start to the competition, with every player playing well but lost by a few runs to Carisbrooke Primary. We carried on our great start and won the next two games very convincingly! Our final match was definitely a nail biter, with it all resting on the last two bowls. Nine Acres finished with 55 runs and Newport C of E with 56, however the organisers said it was the best game they had watched all week.

