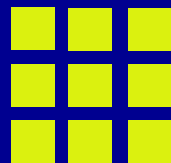




NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 28th February 2020



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Dear Families of Nine Acres,

The children have settled straight back into their learning routine ready for the second half of the Spring Term! There are lots of exciting opportunities planned so please do look out for letters home, texts, our weekly newsletter and Facebook Page. Of course if you have any specific questions please do not hesitate to give us a call or pop in to chat to one of our amazing office team.

It has been wonderful to welcome 4 new pupils to Nine Acres across different year groups in the school. We are also receiving weekly calls for tours thanks to your word of mouth about our unique school. We do still have spaces in Year 2 and a few left in Year 3 if you know anyone interested in joining our community!

As a result of our work on 'Online Safety' last half term with the children it has become more apparent that several children as young as 5 are using inappropriate apps and watching 'You Tube' videos that are unsuitable. The latest craze is the TikTok app (a 13+ app). You may have already seen in the news about 'challenges' that are being set up which ask children to participate in acts of unkindness, violence, sexual behaviours and even risking their own lives. Some of our children have been accessing this material! We really do urge parents to take a look and monitor their child's use of **ANY** electronic devices.

We have also been made aware that children are using their devices late at night and sometimes in the early morning to send and receive messages. This really does cause us concern for your child's safety and emotional wellbeing. As a parent myself, I understand it is hard sometimes to keep up to date with the latest craze on social media however I know you will join me in wanting to ensure your child is not the subject of or the creator/user of such harmful material. You can find some more advice here: www.net-aware.org.uk

Thank you for your support in this matter.

I am very much looking forward to seeing all the children and staff in their bee creations next Thursday. Please do not feel the need to purchase expensive costumes. A yellow T-Shirt and black trousers would be fine. I know some children have already been busy making their own costumes with their mummies and daddies at home. As always if you have any questions please do chat to your child's teacher or one of the senior leadership team. We are here to help!

Have a lovely weekend!
Mrs Dyer



Maths Master

Corfe:	Lewis
Biggleswade:	Blake
Balmoral:	Emilia
Windsor:	Jessica
Arundel:	Archie
Bamburgh:	Freddie
Dartmouth:	Lana
Kendal:	Alisha
Warwick:	Sadie
Stirling:	Ruby M
Durham:	Brooke
York:	Chloe

School Development News

This week all staff have spent time with a National English Advisor focusing on writing and spelling and on Thursday Mrs Tingle, our English Leader, travelled up to London to learn about the 'Early Teaching of Reading'. The staff are excited to try their new learning with the children over the next few months.

Welcome

Welcome to Alex, Julia, Corey.

We still have spaces in Year 2 and a few in Year 3 if you know any family who would like to have a tour and see our wonderful school in action!

EYFS Football Club

From Thursday 23rd April, Miss Moseley will be running a EYFS Mixed Football Club from 3.00-4.00pm. There are **8** places for this club and these are offered on a first come first served basis. Please see Mrs Teague at the school office to book a place.
This block of 12 weeks will cost £30.00.

Coronavirus Guidance

National advice for travellers from areas affected by Coronavirus (COVID-19) has changed this week, and we understand that parents and carers may have questions about this. The school is following national guidance that has been issued for educational settings.

The latest accurate information on Coronavirus (COVID-19), including the current situation in the UK and details about the virus and its symptoms, can be found at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus. This is updated regularly and includes the most recent advice in relation to travel from certain parts of Italy - so we encourage you to visit the website for the latest information.

The UK's Chief Medical Officer continues to advise that the risk to individuals in the UK remains low.

As a school, the most important action that we can take to protect against Coronavirus and other germs is to promote good hand and respiratory hygiene. We continue to encourage the children and staff to do the following and ask that you support this at home too. The advice is to: wash hands often - with soap and water or using alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. cover coughs or sneezes with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin.

We are following national advice and the school is operating as normal. Should the situation change or if we are given different advice, we will communicate this to you.

If you believe you are at risk, then please contact NHS 111 for advice.

What parents need to know about TikTok

TikTok is a global video community where users create, share and discover "funny and memorable moments" via short video clips - typically about 15 seconds long. Videos can be typed up with special effect filters, stickers, music and sound clips. Currently one of the world's most popular apps, TikTok was formerly known as Musical.ly, before it was rebranded by the Chinese company that acquired it in November 2017. If your child had previously had a Musical.ly account, all of their videos and personal settings will have automatically been moved to TikTok.

AGE RESTRICTION 13+

BEING INFLUENCED
More than one third of children aged 6-17 consider social media sites to be an important part of their lives. There are millions of creators on TikTok, showcasing their talents, moments and knowledge from singing to dancing to stunts and comedy skits, which creates thousands of likes and comments from around the world, quickly turning people into "stars". There is the danger that children have unrealistic expectations of how they should look and behave on the app in order to become the next "star". They may have feelings of inadequacy and self-worth, or become exposed to cyberbullying.

CONCERNING CONTENT
Some of the content and themes in videos can be overly sexual and provocative. There have also been reports of users sharing concerning content, such as videos that promote anorexia, porn, self-harm and violence.

DANGEROUS TRENDS & CHALLENGES
On TikTok, users can join in "challenges" and hashtags that users can copy and paste, and sometimes these challenges can pose risks to young people.

IN-APP PURCHASES
Of course, as with many apps, there's a paid element to TikTok. Users can buy virtual coins to be exchanged for virtual gifts - for example, if they like a specific video, your child can use coins to purchase emojis to show approval. These can be bought for real money, or via in-app purchases. There's the option to buy 10,000 coins for £97.99 with a one-click buy button.

ANYONE CAN SEE YOUR CHILD'S CREATIONS
TikTok encourages users to share their passion and creative expression through their videos, and while creating their content, users can choose to make their videos public or private. If your child's video is public, anyone in the world can see your child's homemade music videos and potentially cause bullying while personal messages go to their inbox.

INAPPROPRIATE SONG LYRICS
TikTok lets users lip-synch to their favourite songs and produce their own music videos. Some of the most popular songs on the app are those that contain explicit lyrics. Not only can children be exposed to potentially inappropriate content but they can broadcast themselves singing or singing these lyrics.

TALK ABOUT THE PITFALLS OF OVERSHARING
Encourage your kids to always think before they do, say, like or post anything online, explaining that their "digital footprint" can shape their online reputation and the way that other people see them. Something they may find funny and entertaining now may impact them in the future. Talk about how to deal with peer pressure and how doing something they think will impress others could affect them.

HANDLING CRITICISM
While it's fantastic to see your child being creative and expressive and bonding with people with similar interests, they need to be aware that not everyone will be supportive online. Comments can be negative or even cruel. Make sure your child knows how to comment respectfully and handle negative feedback. In the app's Privacy and Safety settings, your child can decide who can react to their videos, who can comment, and who can send them private chat messages. We suggest using these settings so only their friends can interact with their posts.

SIGNING UP WITH THE CORRECT AGE
When signing up to TikTok, you are prompted to input your birth date. If your child inputs their age as under 13, the app will not allow them to sign up and will be locked for 24 hours. The app is intended for users aged 13+, so explain that the rating is there for a reason: to keep them protected from online dangers. It is actually possible to watch TikTok videos without even creating an account, so it's important to check if your underage child has downloaded the app to their device.

USE THE DIGITAL WELLBEING SETTING
If you're concerned about the amount of time your child is spending on TikTok, in the app's settings, you can switch on a feature called Digital Wellbeing. This includes "Screen Management" to limit the amount of time your child spends on the app.

SET THE ACCOUNT TO PRIVATE
This means that only people you and your child approve of can see their creations. To make an account private, tap the three dots at the top right of the screen to access settings. Click "Privacy and Safety" scroll down until you find "Private Account" and turn this setting on.

REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT
If you or your child see something on TikTok that appears to be inappropriate, they can report content in different ways within the app. They can report an account, video, comment or chat conversation by simply tapping "Report". In the app's "Digital Wellbeing" feature, there is also an Enhanced Report Module which limits the appearance of videos that may not be appropriate for all audiences.

AVOID IDENTIFIABLE OBJECTS
To ensure that there's no way of anyone tracking your child's location or identity, make it clear to them that they should never film a video in their school uniform or near a landmark that gives away where they live.

DISCUSS IN-APP PURCHASES
To lower the risk of your child making accidental in-app purchases, teach them exactly what in-app purchases are and the risks of making them without permission. Tell them that they are not allowed to enjoy the app and that if they want to make a purchase, they should always ask you beforehand. In the app's "Digital Wellbeing" feature, there is the option to disable the function of purchasing coins and sending gifts.

Top Tips for Parents

NOS National Online Safety

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This is not a definitive guide. Please check the app's support information to see if your account and device comply with the app's requirements.

www.nationalonlinesafety.com

Little Acres Childcare Centre

Little Acres Childcare Centre will be closed to pupils on the afternoon of **Monday 2nd March**.

Please ensure you have arrangements in place for collection at 3.10pm.

Thank you.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings are on Monday 2nd March and Wednesday 4th March 2020.

Please sign up in the foyer to book a slot to meet your child's teacher.

On the evening's of Monday and Wednesday there will be a crèche held by Mrs Chandler.

We look forward to seeing you all.

Parents Evening

Diary Dates

2019/2020



NEW Week Commencing Mon 2nd March 2020 - British Science Week.

Mon 2nd March 2020 - Parents' Evening.

NEW **Tues 3rd March 2020** - Parents' Evening for Carisbrooke, Yarmouth and Kendal Classes

Wed 4th March 2020 - Parents' Evening.

Thurs 5th March 2020 - World Book Day - All children to dress as a bee!!

Fri 6th March 2020 - Helping Hands Year 1/2 Cake Sale.

Thurs 12th March 2020 - Science Fayre in School for children to access.

Tues 17th March 2020 - School Choir - Voice in a Million at Wembley Stadium.

Fri 20th March 2020 - Helping Hands Year EYFS Cake Sale.

NEW **Fri 27th March 2020** - Helping Hands Disco - 5.30-7.30pm.

NEW **Thursday 2nd April 2020** - Spring Term Enrichment Clubs finish.

Fri 3rd April 2020 - *Finishing at 1.00pm.*

Mon 6th April - Fri 17th April 2020 - **EASTER HOLIDAYS.**

NEW **Mon 20th April 2020** - Summer Enrichment Clubs begin.

Tues 21st April 2020 - Year 3 Swimming begins.

NEW **Wed 29th April 2020** - Year 1 Marwell Zoo Trip

Fri 1st May 2020 - Helping Hands May Fayre.

Fri 8th May 2020 - May Day Bank Holiday.

Week Commencing 11th May 2020 - KS2 SATS Week.

Week Commencing 18th May 2020 - KS1 SATS Week.

Mon 25th May - Fri 29th May 2020 - **HALF TERM.**

Mon 15th June 2020 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY**

Thurs 18th June 2020 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

Thurs 23rd July 2020 Last day of the Summer Term.

Mon 24th July 2020 - **DEVELOPMENT DAY**

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

Year 3 Novium Museum Trip

Thursday 19th - Friday 20th March

The deadline for the final payment to be received in full is Friday 28th February 2020.

Please make payment on ParentPay.

HEADLICE

Please check your children's hair regularly due to several cases of headlice in school. Children with long hair should have their hair tied back. Should you require any guidance please speak to your local pharmacy for support.

Helping Hands Cake Sales



Helping Hands will be holding 'Cake Sales' from 3.00pm on the following dates:

Friday 6th March 2020

Years 1 and 2 to donate cakes

Friday 20th March 2020

EYFS to donate cakes.

The cake sales are held on the front and back playgrounds.

Thank you for your support with our cake sales!!

PRIOR NOTICE

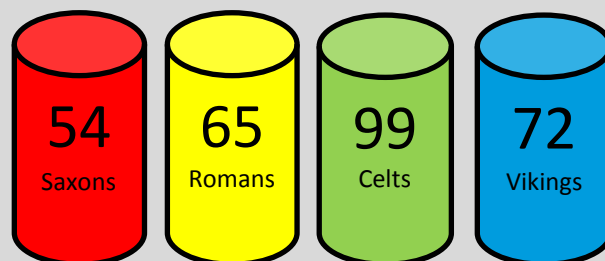


World Book Day **Thursday 5th March**. The whole school community will be creating a 'Buzz about Books'. All pupils are invited to dress up as a bee on this day.

On this day all the children will visit Waterstones in Newport and enjoy reading activities linked to Bees!

House Points

Well done to **CELTS** who received the most House Points.



Friday 3rd April 2020

On Friday 3rd April, Nine Acres will be closing to pupils at 1.00pm.

The menu for Friday 3rd April will be Hot Dog or Vegetarian Hot Dog with Chips

Chocolate & Orange Brownie or Fruit

ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance target **96.0%**.

Dates: **20.01.2020 - 27.02.2020**

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	97.19%	1
Yarmouth:	97.00%	2
Corfe:	92.74%	4
Biggleswade:	100%	0
Balmoral:	96.43%	0
Windsor:	92.31%	0
Arundel:	96.96%	0
Bamburgh:	98.32%	3
Dartmouth:	92.31%	0
Kendal:	99.33%	1
Warwick:	99.32%	1
Stirling:	95.00%	0
Durham:	98.26%	2
York:	93.48%	2

Whole school attendance this week is: **96.45%**

Well done Biggleswade!!

Development Days

so far..

~~Monday 3rd September 2019~~

~~Friday 20th December 2019 - Finishing~~

~~at 1.00pm~~

~~Monday 23rd December 2019~~

~~Friday 3rd April 2020 - Finishing~~

~~at 1.00pm~~

~~Monday 15th June 2020~~

~~Friday 24th~~

~~July 2020~~



**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.

Thank you.

Donations of Uniform

Our EYFS team would be very grateful for donations of spare uniform and underwear for the children in Early Years.

Please send any donations to the office to be passed on to the team.

Thank you.



Mother's Day Service



9.30am Sunday
March 22nd
St John's Church

All the family
are welcome
to join us

Refreshments
will be served
afterwards

St John's Church
St John's Road
Newport
Isle of Wight
PO30 1LN

Earrings

Children should wear plain (gold/silver) studded earring please no hoops!

Year 1 Marwell Zoo Trip

Year 1 are off to Marwell Zoo on the 29th April 2020. Please make your deposit payment on ParentPay by Friday 28th February 2020.



WALK THE WIGHT 2020

The Walk the Wight Registration forms were sent home yesterday with the children. Please return these to the office by Monday 9th March 2020 to ensure your child will be registered.



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.

HELPING HANDS PTA

Email Address:

HelpingHands@nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk



Cake Sales

We'd like to say a massive thank you to all the Year 3 and 4 families who brought in the delicious cakes for the sale before half term. We were, once more, overwhelmed by the amount of cakes and they all looked fabulous!! The sale raised a fantastic £73.85. WOW!! Next Friday (6.3.20) it will be the turn of the children in Year 1 and 2 to donate cakes.

New Date - Movie Night - Friday 6th March, 4.30 - 6.00pm

We are trialling our first Movie Night on Friday. The children (Y1-6) have voted on the film, which will be...Big Hero 6. Tickets will be available from the office, from Monday and will cost 50p, which will give you some popcorn and squash when you arrive to watch the film and there will be a range of other refreshments to purchase on the night. Please bring along cushions and/or blankets to sit on the floor (there will also be chairs at the back of the hall).

We are very excited to be putting on a new event - please come along and offer your support... and feedback, in order to make our second Movie Night even better!

Next Meeting is Tuesday 3rd March 2020 at 2.00 pm.



ISLE OF WIGHT OPEN JUNIOR

CROSS COUNTRY

CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020

SATURDAY 14 MARCH

SEACLOSE PARK, NEWPORT, PO30 2QS

School year	Distance	Registration	Start
Year 6 (boys & girls)	2 kms	10am	10.20am
Year 5 (boys & girls)	2 kms	10.20am	10.40am
Year 4 (boys & girls)	2 kms	10.40am	11am
Year 3 (boys & girls)	2 kms	11am	11.20am
Year 2 (boys & girls)	2 kms	11.10am	11.45am

£3
ENTRY FEE
PAYABLE ON THE DAY

Please be at Seaclose Park (below the tennis courts) for registration and collection of numbers at least 20 mins before your event starts.

Booking by Tuesday 10 March 2020 is essential. No entries accepted on the day.

Email iowac.athletics@gmail.com for an entry form or contact Ray Scovell 07915 609850 or 01983 405340 for further details.

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ISLE OF WIGHT ATHLETICS CLUB

SPORT ENGLAND

ISLE OF WIGHT ACTIVE

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL

The Wight Brainsy Bunch

TICKET ENTRY £5 PER PERSON

TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING THE INTERVAL

MEDINA MARCHING BAND PRESENTS EASTER CONCERT

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO 'THE WIGHT BRAINSY BUNCH CHARITY'

SATURDAY MARCH 28TH
NEWPORT METHODIST CHURCH
QUAY STREET
7 PM UNTIL 9 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL
MEDINAMARCHINGBAND@GMAIL.COM

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Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week One
6 Jan
27 Jan
24 Feb
16 Mar

Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Wedges	BBQ Chicken with Rice	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sausage Roll with Wedges	Fishfingers / Salmon Fingers with Chips
Option 2	Chicken Curry with Rice	Tomato & Veg Pasta with Garlic Bread	Potato and Courgette Stack with Roast Potatoes	Vegan Sausage Roll with Wedges	Homemade Vegetable Sausage with Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Cakes	Cauliflower Broccoli	Carrots Green Beans	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Baked Beans Peas
Dessert	Oaty Pear Crumble and Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Syrup Sponge with Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Apple, Cheese and Crackers Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Pineapple Cake Yoghurt Fresh Fruit

Week Two
13 Jan
3 Feb
2 Mar
23 Mar

Option 1	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread	Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sausage, Mashed Potato and Gravy	Fish Fingers with Chips
Option 2	Cheese Whizz with New Potatoes	Vegetable Hotpot	Quorn Roast Fillet with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Linda McCartney Sausages, Mashed Potato and Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Quiche with Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Peas	Peas Cauliflower	Carrots Green Beans	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Baked Beans Peas
Dessert	Apple Flapjack Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Dipping Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Gingerbread Person Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Orange & Lemon Shortbread Yoghurt Fresh Fruit

Week Three
20 Jan
13 Feb
9 Mar
30 Mar

Option 1	Cheese and Tomato French Bread Pizza	Spaghetti Beef Bolognese	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Stir Fry with Noodles	Fish in Batter with Chips
Option 2	Five Bean Chili with Rice	Vegetable Bolognese	Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetarian Stir Fry with Noodles	Cheese Fritata with Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Swede Carrot	Carrots Peas	Green Beans Cauliflower	Baked Beans Peas
Dessert	Oaty Cookie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Banana Sponge and Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Lemon Dazzle Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Chocolate & Orange Brownie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit

Available Daily:
- Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings (where advertised)
- Bread freshly baked on site daily
- Daily salad selection

ALLERGY INFORMATION:
If your child has an allergy or intolerance please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a severe allergy or intolerance you will need to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.


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Tuck is available for children in Years 3-6. To assist the kitchen staff please provide your children with the correct money, the maximum daily amount required is £1.00.

Please see the prices below:

Tuck Prices

Toast - 25p
Crumpet - 50p
Half a Teacake - 25p
Apple Juice - 50p
Orange Juice - 50p



Gymnastics Club

Summer Term 2020 Gymnastics Club with Mary Bowdery starting on Thursday 24th April has now been opened to all year groups. The block of 12 weeks will be £30.00 Please let Mrs Teague know if you would like to book a place.

