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## NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence

Friday 17th December 2021



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Dear Families of Nine Acres,

It was just wonderful to see our children in EYFS and KS1 perform for families this week. Despite all the uncertainties we managed, with your support, to provide some special memories and joy in this challenging climate. I would like to say a big THANK YOU to the Nine Acres team for supporting the children and one another. It was a real team effort and we hope you enjoyed it!



Next week is Christmas Dinner day on Monday and we are also very excited to be expecting a visit from Father Christmas himself on Tuesday. It will also be Christmas Mufti Day in school as we celebrate the festive period and finish at 12.45/1.00pm for the holidays!

On behalf of the Governors and Staff, it leaves me now to wish everyone a wonderful Christmas Break and a Happy Healthy New Year. I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 4th January for our next adventures as #Team Nine Acres
Mrs Dyer





Tuesday 21st December will be a "Christmas Mufti Day" Children are welcome to come to school in their home clothes.



# <u>Diary Dates</u> 2021/2022



Mon 20th Dec 2021 - Christmas Dinner Day.

NEW Tues 21st Dec 2021 - 'Christmas' Muffi Day.

<u>Tues 21st Dec 2021</u> - Early closing (See below).

EYFS/Year 2/Year 4 will leave at <u>12:45pm</u>

Year 1/Year 3/Year 5/Year 6 will leave at 1:00pm

<u>Wed 22nd Dec - Mon 3rd Jan 2022</u> - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

<u>NEW Thurs 10th Feb 2022</u> - Year 4 Brading Roman Villa Mon 21st Feb - Fri 25th Feb 2022 - HALF TERM.

<u>NEW Mon 4th April 2022</u> - Year 5 Alex Rider Overnight Trip

Mon 11th April - Fri 22nd April 2022 - EASTER BREAK.

<u>Thurs 5th May 2022</u> - Year 1 Marwell Zoo Trip.

Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd June 2022 - HALF TERM.

Fri 17th June 2022 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

<u>Thurs 30th June - Fri 1st July 2022</u> - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

Fri 22nd July 2022 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

New dates will be added - Please check the box for  ${\color{red} {\hbox{NEW}}}$  to see any added dates.

#### Early Closing - Tues 21st Dec 2021

School will be closing early on Tues 21st Dec.

EYFS/Year 2/Year 4 will leave at 12:45pm

Year 1/Year 3/Year 5/Year 6 will leave at 1:00pm

# **Development Days**

Monday 31ct Avanct 2021

Friday 12th November 2021

Friday 17th June 2022
Friday 22nd July 2022
\*\*\* One more Development Day
to book \*\*\*



# Tuesday 21st

## **December**

## **School Menu**

RED MENU - Hot dog & Chips

**GREEN MENU - Quorn Hot dog & Chips** 

Pudding - Surprise

If your child follows an Allergy Aware
Menu or a Special Dietary Menu, a
text will be sent next week to confirm
their menu on Tue 21st Dec.

# HELPING HANDS





#### Christmas Raffle

Thank you for your amazing support of our Christmas raffle. Your overwhelmingly generous donations, on mufti day and since has seen a steady stream of sweets, smellies, snacks, bottles, and so much more. My estimate is well over 100 prizes donated by you, our wonderful school community! I'd also like to thank the staff for their incredible hamper and the amazing Helping Hands team who have worked ceaselessly, giving out letters and collecting the prizes from local businesses – Thank you!

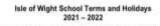
Also, thanks to your fantastic response to buying tickets, it looks like we are set to beat last year's total of £1065 – which was our best Helping Hands raffle ever!

Congratulations to all the lucky winners.









Determined programme of school term and holiday dates for county and controlled schools for the academic year 2021/22



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# School Attendance

Whole school attendance target 96.00%. Dates: 10/12/2021 - 16/12/2021

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	87.15%	0
Yarmouth:	90.51%	2
Biggleswade	94.57%	3
Corfe	92.58%	1
Balmoral:	89.53%	1
Windsor:	91.73%	0
Arundel:	96.67%	1
Bamburgh:	91.47%	1
Kendal:	94.44%	0
Warwick:	97.92%	0
Durham:	95.68%	1
York:	90.60%	2
Edinburgh:	97.08%	0
Stirling:	82.02%	1

Well done WARWICK CLASS Whole school attendance this week is: 92.22%

### <u>FACE</u> <u>COVERINGS</u>

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

# 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. Record your reading on the GO READ app.





# WELLDONE

Libby in Year 4 had an amazing weekend last week where she performed in the pantomime in East Cowes. She had a dress rehearsal on Friday and then 4 performances over Saturday and



Sunday. What an absolute star!!

## **FOODBANK VOUCHERS**



We are pleased to announce that we can now provide families with vouchers to the Island's Food Banks. Many families are struggling more than ever with rising household costs and we want to be able to support you however we can. Food Banks support many families across the country and are not just a source of food in a crisis – they can provide a listening ear and signpost you to other agencies who may be able to help if you need it.

Referrals can be made to any of the Island's Food Banks for your convenience or confidentiality. There are currently Food Banks in Newport, Freshwater, Cowes, Ryde and Shanklin. If you would like some more information or are in need of a voucher, please speak to Mrs Hussey.

#### The Cake Initiative

"We are a community of voluntary bakers that share a passion for helping financially struggling families by providing a birthday cake for their child free of charge. Times are financially tough for many families at the moment. Whatever the reason, we are here to help. Our cakes are lovingly handmade and will be handed over in a public place, to ensure the safety of both parties. We

have volunteers based across the UK. Can we help to bring a smile to your child's face on their birthday?" The website is <u>cake-initiative.org.uk</u>. Parents can self-refer or they can come to school and ask me and I will support them in requesting a cake.



### TRIP PAYMENT DEADLINES

We are very excited to be organising lots of school trips for our children. Please see below the payment deadlines for trips:





Year 6 Chessington Trip - June/July 2022 Deposit was due by Sun 31st Oct 2021, with full payment due by Fri 3rd June 2022.

# PARKING PERI

Parking permits are available from the school office for use at the Chapel Street car park. Please do not park in the school car park.

Week Commencing

20th Dec 2021

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

> PE Days for each Year Group EYFS - Monday Year 1 - Monday

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.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

#### 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/

#### Summer Term

Plain White Shirt (Short Sleeve)

Charcoal Grey Shorts or Skirt Grey or White Plain Short Socks

Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/

#### 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



# **ENRICHMENT CLUBS** SPRING TERM 1 2022

Enrichment Clubs allocation texts have been sent out to families for Spring Term 2022.

Please ensure payment is made on ParentPay.

If your child would like to join a club please email enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk to book spaces.

