



Parent Forum 2026-2027

Welcome to Year 4 at Oaklands Junior
School



Welcome from the Team

- **Daily routines** and communication.
- **Curriculum highlights** in English and Maths.
- **Support strategies** for homework and reading.



Teachers: Mrs Alexander(4A), Mrs Jones and Miss Green (4JG).

Supported by Mrs Townend, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Garden.



Keeping in Touch

Open communication is vital for your child's success.

- **In Person:** Find us at the classroom door (morning) or playground (afternoon).
- **Written:** Use the homework diary or email the school admin office.



Remember

For urgent issues speak to the class teacher first, then the Lower KS2 Leader (Stuart Lee).

Looking Smart

Acceptable	Unacceptable
 	 
 	 
 	 
	

Uniform helps create a sense of belonging and readiness to learn.

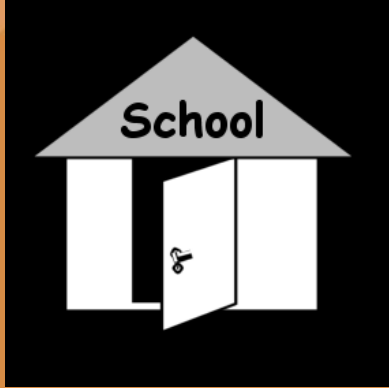
- **Hair:** Tied back (all students).
- **Shoes:** Plain black.
- **Jewellery:** Discreet studs only (must be removed for PE). Watches or Fitbits (non-beeping)

Remember

No nail varnish, temporary tattoos, or writing on hands

A Day in the Life

We balance academics, physical activity, and foundation subjects.



08:40 Start: Doors open. Hand in diaries; begin tasks.

Morning:
English, Assembly, Break, Maths.

Afternoon:
Foundation subjects (eg. History, Science, Art) plus Daily mile.

15:20 Home: Wait in a designated area

Year 4 Curriculum Mastery

Literacy & Foundation

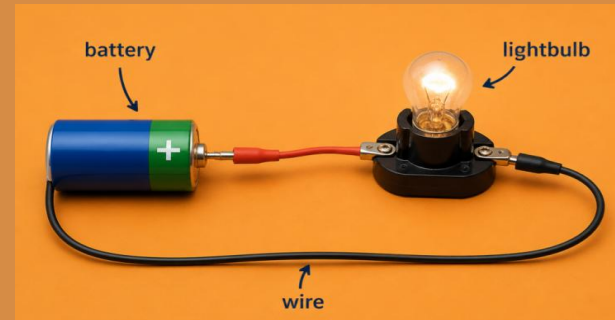
English: Literacy Tree, Grammar focus, VIPERS

Topics: Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Vikings, Sustainability, *Continents, countries & counties, Georgia O'Keefe, Draw all you can, Antony Gormley, Clay dragon eyes, Judaism*



STEM & Science

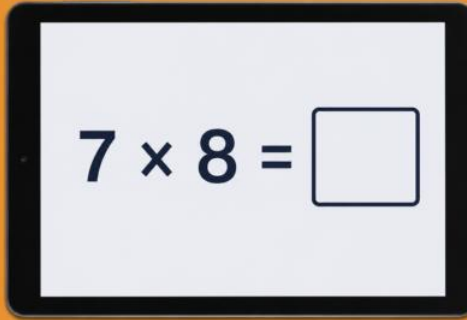
- **Maths:** Times tables mastery up to 12x12. Focus on STEM sentences and vocabulary
- **Science:** States of matter, Sound, Electricity, Digestive System, and Habitats.
- **Design and Technology:** Soup, popcorn, sewing, Iron Man heads



Key Year 4 Milestones



Free Reader - Students who have finished the reading scheme and choose their own high-quality books.

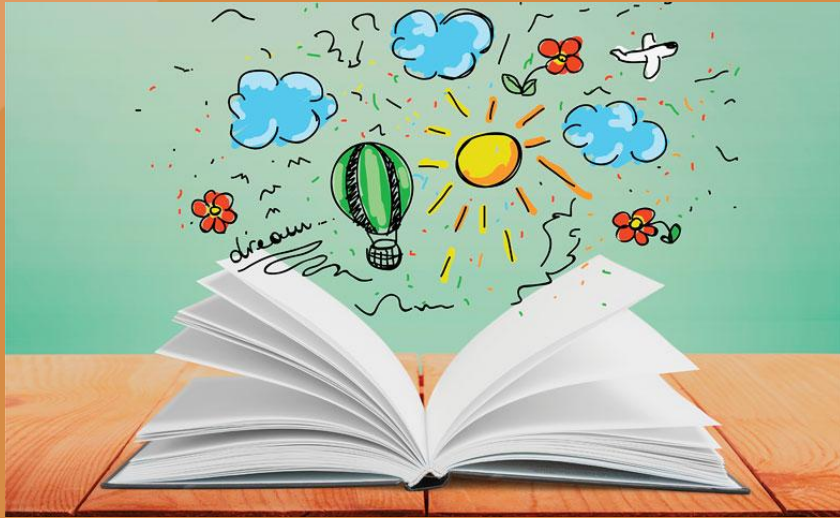


MTC - The Multiplication Tables Check, a national assessment taken at the end of Year 4.



Minstead - Our residential trip where children develop independence and outdoor skills.

Reading



A Year of Transformation

Year 4 is often the year when children shift from 'learning to read' to '**reading to learn**' and many become free readers by the end of the year.

This is achieved through a home/
school partnership

The Power of Reading

Reading is the bedrock of our entire curriculum.

- Aim for **5 times a week** (10 mins per day).
- Read **with** and **to** your child.
- Use reading diaries for 2-way communication.



Key point

Free readers should still read aloud to an adult at least once a week to practice expression and vocabulary.





Essential Equipment

To be ready for every lesson, students need:

- **Art:** Old shirt.
- **PE:** Trainers/tracksuits.
- **Daily:** Water bottle, headphones, and a coat.



Remember

We provide all stationery—please do not send in pencil cases.

Supporting at Home

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	Homework due		Homework set	



Year 4 P.E days

Wednesday and Friday

Homework is designed to reinforce classroom learning:

- **Spellings:** Set Thursday, due Tuesday.
- **Maths:** Weekly times table tests. TTRS
- **Curriculum:** 20-25 mins a week on rotating topics.

Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out. – Robert Collier

Partnering for Success

SIGN UP *Sheet*

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We value parent helpers for reading, art, and trips. What skills or interests could you share with our Year 4 classes this year?

Important Dates

Mark your calendars for these upcoming highlights:

- **7th /14th Oct:** Parents' Evenings.
- **21st Oct:** Autumn festival – Wellington College
- **22nd Oct:** Roman Day (Costumes needed!).
- **30th Nov:** Decoration Day.
- **17th Dec:** Carol service and Xmas lunch
- **18th Dec:** Xmas jumper day
- **15th-19th March:** Minstead Residential.

Thank you for coming!

Any questions? Email us or write in the diary.

