



# Oaklands Infant School Prospectus



#### Welcome



We have great pleasure in welcoming you to Oaklands Infant School. We are very proud of our school which offers a lively, attractive environment where staff, parents, carers and governors work together to ensure the best possible start for all children. We are the only school in Crowthorne with a two form entry devoted solely to infant age children.

Our School Vision is 'deep roots for future growth.' In our safe, inclusive environment the children are at the centre of everything we do. They will be nurtured, valued and encouraged to be individuals who flourish through a creative curriculum.

We strive for high academic standards and ensure that key skills are taught within an innovative, creative curriculum which provides appropriate challenge and support for every child. We foster creativity and imagination and place great importance on children's personal, social and emotional development. We very much value the partnership between home and school and believe that by working together we can ensure your children develop into happy and confident individuals. Parents, carers and volunteers are encouraged to share in the many aspects of school life, to work alongside the children and to celebrate their successes and achievements.

If you are about to join us for the first time and would like further information, please see our website.

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### About Oaklands Infant

#### **School**





Oaklands Infant School is situated in Crowthorne, a village and civil parish in the Bracknell Forest district of south-eastern Berkshire.

Oaklands Infant School is an academy and part of the Corvus Learning Trust. The school shares a site with Oaklands Junior School and is set in attractive. natural woodland surroundings, including a well-equipped playground, field and nature area. The building itself consists of six spacious classrooms, two library areas, a generous size hall and a newly refurbished outside area for Foundation Stage.

Oaklands Infant school is a two form entry school for children aged 4 to 7. The pupils are taught by qualified teaching staff and are supported by Learning Support Assistants who undertake a range of duties including support for groups or individual children. To ensure equality of opportunity for all pupils within the curriculum, the teachers plan the work in Year Teams, led by a Year Leader. Children move from the Early Years Foundation Stage in Reception to Key Stage 1 in Year 1. They move to Key Stage 2 when they leave us at the end of Year 2 to transfer to Junior school.







#### **Visions and Values**

Our school values underpin all that we do at Oaklands. Our values are based on six characters above and teach our pupils about:

- Respect
- Challenge
- Having a go
- Independence
- Caring for others
- Pride in achievement

Pupils are taught about these values through dedicated lessons, stories and in assemblies. Each week, we celebrate children who have displayed our school values in a celebration assembly where pupils are awarded a character leaf to put on our Oak tree in the hall. These children also attend afternoon tea with the Head.

### Early Years Foundation Stage Year R (Reception Year)

The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum is based on seven areas of Learning Development:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development Physical Development
- Communication and Language
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design





We offer an exciting and stimulating curriculum where children learn through well-planned first hand experiences in a caring, safe environment. Our children are actively encouraged to think creatively and imaginatively whilst communicating with others as they investigate or solve problems. All activities are planned through the children's own interests in meaningful contexts to enable children to make connections in their learning. The Year R Curriculum provides an excellent foundation for Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)













#### Key Stage 1 - Years 1 and 2



Our curriculum maps ensure a balanced coverage of the national curriculum, and those objectives that do not link explicitly such as RE and PSHE are taught discretely within the timetable. Teachers plan and deliver lessons that build on previous knowledge, often starting topics with an exciting 'hook'.



As a school, we adapt and develop our curriculum to ensure that it meets the changing needs of all our pupils. We value every child and aim to provide enriching opportunities to enable them to reach their full potential, no matter what their starting point. We want children to be active and independent in their learning. Our topic-based curriculum allows children to make appropriate connections between subjects.



Key-rich texts are carefully chosen that link to all areas of the curriculum to inspire, engage and help bring topics to life. This also enables us to reinforce vital reading skills. During the day, children may work as a whole class, in small groups or as individuals and undertake a balance of oral, practical and written activities.

Our Maths Curriculum is delivered via a mastery approach to develop a deeper understanding. All pupils are encouraged to believe that through their own efforts they can succeed. A mathematical concept or skill has been mastered when a child can show it in multiple ways, using the mathematical language to explain their ideas, and can independently apply the concept to new problems in unfamiliar situations.



#### **Curriculum Enrichment**

At Oaklands Infants we offer a wider range enrichment activities to supplement our broad and varied curriculum.

#### Clubs

#### **Breakfast and After School Clubs run by Beehive**

Day(s): Monday – Friday 07:30-08:45 (Breakfast) Monday – Friday 15:20-18:00 (After School)



Street Dance
Multi-Sports Step Up
Mindful Minis
Multi-Skills Just Play Sports
Violin
Football Just Play Sports
Judo

All ages
All ages
All ages
All ages
Year 2
All ages
Years 1 and 2









#### Off site visits

- Bi-annual trip to pantomime
- Birdworld
- Windsor Castle
- Woolley Firs
- Pizza Express
- Windsor Environmental Centre
- Local area walks
- St John's Church
- Pinehurst Care Home
- Crowthorne Library



Carol Concert

Class Assemblies





Harvest Festival



sports Day



Cultural Workshops



Themed Weeks



Reading/Nurture Dog





National Fundraising Days





School Council

Duckling Hatching



#### **OFSTED - October 2023**

"Pupils love attending Oaklands Infant School. They are happy to come to school and are well looked after by the caring team of dedicated staff."

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"The school has high expectations for all pupils. As a result, pupils work hard in lessons and focus well on their work. They follow the clear classroom routines perfectly."





"In the early years children get off to a flying start. Staff support children to become highly engaged in their learning."

"Pupils behave well around the school and love playing with their many friends during breaktimes. Pupils say this is a kind school and that everyone helps each other."



## What Our Pupils and Parents Say

My child runs into school every day and school every smiling. comes out smiling.

My daughter is flourishing and is given a wide range of opportunities.

Our school is special because we are all friends.

Margot (age 5)

Nike everything about school.

Oscar (age 6)

The teachers teach us good things like Maths, Reading, Science and Art.

Charlie (age 6)

I love Oaklands because the teachers are kind and help me.

Ava (age 7)



