

Oak Bites

Fair Oak



Junior
School

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new! MENU

Our school catering provider, Chartwells, will be launching a new summer menu from 1st June 2026 which will run through to October half term.

To introduce some of the new dishes, families are invited to attend a taster session on Thursday 12th May at 3.30pm, located between the Year 3 playground and the school kitchen. Pupils and parents will have the opportunity to sample a selection of items from the new menu including pizza, sausage roll, tandoori chicken, bean and cheese pastry, vegan meatball baguette and jerk chicken.

Lunches from the new menu are now available on Arbor to order and the full menu can be viewed [here](#).

Chartwells Catering Parent Survey

Last week a questionnaire was sent home from our school caterers, Chartwells, to gather valuable parent feedback on the meals provided at school. Your input is important in helping them to improve and develop their school meal offering. We would greatly appreciate you taking the time to complete the form and return it to school by Friday 15th May.

Important Reminder

As part of preparations for the new school year, parents and carers are reminded to complete the new classes form [here](#). The deadline for submission is 5pm on Sunday 17th May.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 14th May 3.30pm
NEW Summer Menu Tasting

Monday 18th May 6.15pm
Yr 5 Disco

Monday 18th-Wednesday 20th May
Yr 3 Scooter Skills Sessions

Wednesday 20th May 6.30pm
Yr 6 PGL Information Evening

Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd May
Yr 4 Roman Day

Monday 15th June
PSA Someone Special Shopping Event

Monday 15th June
Yr 3 Disco

Friday 19th June
Inset day

W/C 22nd June
Yr 6 Residential

Tuesday 30th June
Transition Day



More information about upcoming events can be found [here](#).

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION



Year 3 News

Year 3 Disco

Fair Oak Junior School PSA are excited to announce a Year 3 Disco which will take place on Monday 15th June. The deadline to purchase tickets is the 12th June. More information about the event can be found [here](#).

Year 3 Scooter Skills Sessions

We will be running Year 3 Scooter Skills sessions as part of an active travel initiative, helping children build confidence, coordination, and road awareness. To allow your child to take part, parent consent is required via Arbor – please log in and complete this under Consents → Year 3 Scooter Skills. Full details about the sessions can be found [here](#).

Year 4 News

Roman Day

We are excited to be holding a Roman Day for Year 4 on Thursday 21st May and Friday 22nd May to bring their “Rampaging Romans” topic to life. With the help of Portals to the Past, children will take part in an engaging workshop alongside a range of hands-on activities, from drama to creating Roman-inspired crafts. To make the experience even more memorable, children are invited to come dressed as Romans on their allocated day. A voluntary contribution of £5.50 is requested to support the event. Please visit our website [here](#) for full details, including class dates and further information.



Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

Year 4 children will complete the statutory Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) from the 1st to the 12th June 2026. The online check assesses recall of times tables up to 12 × 12 and will take place in school in a calm and supportive environment. Children will continue practising in class, and parents can support at home through regular times tables practice and weekly TTRS sessions. Full details are available [here](#).

Year 5 News

There is no news for Year 5 this week.

Year 6 News

PGL Residential Information Evening

A Parents’ Information Evening for families of pupils attending the PGL residential visit will take place on Wednesday 20th May at 6.30pm. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing further information about the trip.

General Information and News

Parent Survey - Curriculum Values, Principles and Priorities

We are about to embark on an exciting new project at Fair Oak Junior School, and we would very much welcome your thoughts as we begin this journey together.

In Autumn 2026, the government is expected to release new guidance for the primary school curriculum. Alongside this, we would like to take the opportunity to develop a clear set of school values that will underpin life at Fair Oak Junior School and shape the curriculum we teach.

The link below will take you to a short survey designed to help us understand what you, as parents and carers, feel our school should provide. This survey is not about specific curriculum content (such as particular maths methods), but rather about the values, principles, and priorities that matter most and how these connect with the Fair Oak community.

If you would like to share your views and be part of this exciting process, please complete the survey by 5pm on Friday 22nd May. There is also an option to leave your name at the end of the form if you wish. This will allow us to contact you should we need further insight into your responses. This should be a genuinely collaborative process, and I look forward to working with all of our stakeholders over the coming months.

[OPENING SURVEY FOR SCHOOL VALUES – FILL IN FORM](#)

Photography Competition 2026

It's that time of the year for the FOJS photography competition 2026. The standard last year was amazing – as you can see from the photos on the website [here](#). There will be two themes this year: Engineering and Nature. To find out more and how to enter, visit our website [here](#). Entries must be received by 5pm on Friday 19th June.

2026 Smartphone and Social Media Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who completed our recent smartphone and social media survey. The feedback provided has been extremely valuable in helping us identify next steps, including sharing further guidance with parents, developing our e-safety provision, and delivering targeted learning for pupils around mobile phone and social media use. A full summary of the survey findings and planned actions can be viewed [here](#).



Hampshire Music Service Taster Lessons

In partnership with Fair Oak Junior School and Hampshire Music Service, children are being offered the opportunity to take part in free instrument taster sessions this summer term. Following a recent concert assembly led by musicians from Wyvern College, pupils can now try a range of instruments and receive two free lessons with specialist music teachers. Full details, including how to book and available instruments, can be found [here](#).

IMPORTANT UPDATE - LITTLE OAKS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We would like to inform you of some upcoming changes to Little Oaks after school club, **which will take effect from September**. Following the success of our breakfast club booking system, we are introducing a similar approach for after school provision to offer greater flexibility and convenience for our Fair Oak families.

For existing users, the main change is that all sessions will now need to be booked in advance via the Arbor app. As part of this new system, accounts must be in credit in order to secure bookings. If you currently pay using childcare vouchers, please be aware that these payments can take up to two weeks to appear on your Arbor account, so we kindly ask that you plan ahead to avoid any disruption to your bookings. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.



FAIR OAK JUNIOR SCHOOL PSA
SCHOOL DISCOS
YEAR 3 - MONDAY 15TH JUNE
YEAR 5 - MONDAY 18TH MAY
BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL
NO TICKET, NO ENTRY!
DON'T MISS OUT!

 [BUY YOUR TICKETS HERE!](#) 




PRESENTS THE
Someone Special
SHOPPING EVENT
MONDAY 15TH JUNE

The PSA are thrilled to bring back our Someone Special Shopping event!

This activity gives the children a chance to choose a gift for someone special ready for Father's Day weekend.

Gifts cost £4.00 each, and children can buy for parents, siblings, grandparents, friends or extended family.

With support from the PSA team and teachers, children will select their gifts, which will come home already wrapped, ready for Father's Day!

Orders can be placed via our PTA Events Portal

ORDER NOW 

PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERS:
FRIDAY 5TH JUNE.

Please send your child in with a carrier bag on the shopping day to bring their gifts home.