

Opal newsletter

Our OPAL journey continues as we now enter our 2nd year. Developing OPAL (outdoor play and learning) has had a significant impact on the children's emotional and mental health providing such a wide range of opportunities and experiences through play. The play area is always evolving as we introduce and develop new zones with the children's ideas.

This week was wonderful to see a pirate ship being created with tarpaulin, a pallet and sticks. The children then made hats and walked the plank. Amazing imagination!





Play zones

- Small world
- Home/role play
- Water play
- Sand play
- Large parts
- Creative play
- Quiet area
- Music play
- Construction
- Woodland area/Mud play
- Bikes/scooters

Rules of play

We respect one another and resources.

We are kind and share with one another.

We all help to tidy up.

We ask for help when needed.

We include others and help others.

Wellies!

We would like all children to have wellies or outdoor shoes at school to be worn outdoors so they don't ruin their school shoes.

Please ensure the wellies are name labelled and they will remain at school each half term.

Please also donate any out grown wellies so we can provide for all children.

Donations

We are looking for the following:

- Balance bikes
- Scooters
- Buggy/strollers (Full size)
- Dressing up items



Fabrics, sari's

Parent play sessions

Our next parent play session is:

Monday 29th September 12-1pm

Please book a space with the school office. You are welcome to have lunch with your child so please book your meal with the office.

Rules:

No phones

Have fun and play!

Children's quotes

'I love OPAL it is so much fun.'

'I love playing with so many friends of all ages.'

'I love climbing!'

OPAL Award

In November we will have our final audit and hope to achieve our first award so fingers crossed!