

# OPAL Newsletter

## Autumn 2024 Week 5



“Every child has the right to rest and leisure, to engage in play and recreational activities appropriate to the age of the child and to participate freely in cultural life and the arts.” Article 31

### *Celebrating Positive Play*

Over the past five weeks, we have already observed wonderful changes at lunchtime. Children from across the school are engaging in positive play opportunities together. The mud kitchen has been explored with children of all ages. Some children have really enjoyed using loose parts to create their own campsite and making their own dinosaur land.





# Everyone is invited to our OPAL Ground Force Afternoon



Monday, October 14

## OPAL Ground Force Afternoon

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

As part of our exciting OPAL journey we would like to invite families to support us with the next part of our plan. We would love your help to finish the sandpit and de-weed the garden area, ready for planting in the better weather. Please bring your wellies, spades, garden tools and wheelbarrows on Monday 14th October. We will meet on the KS2 playground at 3:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there.



## Here comes the rain

So that your child can still access all areas, as well as stay warm and dry, please make sure they have a waterproof coat and a change of shoes/wellies with them everyday.

Waterproof trousers are fantastic to have in this weather and can be found at reasonable prices in local supermarkets. The children can also leave a spare pair of clothes in their lockers/on their pegs (these do not need to be school uniform) just incase they need to change after playtime.

## OPAL Donation Station



Thank you to all of the wonderful families that have already donated items. Our Donation Station will be on the KS2 playground before and after school daily this week.