

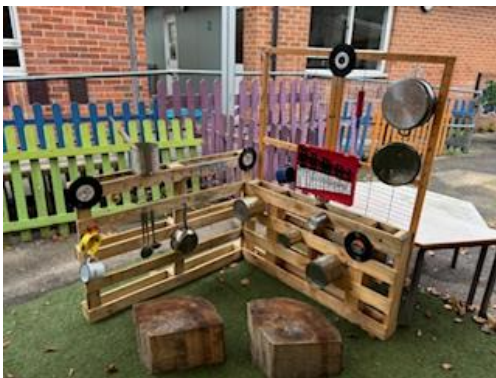


Opal newsletter 4

Over the half term break some of our staff gave up their time to develop our play space even more!

We have now introduced a road and play scooters, a music area made from recycled materials, designated mud play area and a giant sand pit in progress!

The children have been very excited exploring new areas this week.



What's new!



We need your help!

Sand pit

For our sand pit we will need a decent cover so we are looking for either:

Large tarpaulin

Scaffolding netting

Do any parents have any contacts with companies that maybe able to help us with donating this material for our sand pit, please let us know.

We will be calling upon helpers when the sand arrives to help us fill up the sand pit ready for play.

Opal Event for parents:

Next week, on Wednesday 13 November, Opal are holding a [short webinar for parents](#) to talk about the power of play and help them make play part of every day for their child.

At the event, OPAL Director Michael Follett will explore some of the key benefits of play, look at how play work theory can support parents, and share his top tips for play at home.



Wellies

Well done to those that have brought in wellies to school to wear outdoors. This is to enable the children to explore all areas of outdoors with suitable footwear and then change into school shoes for indoors.

Please send in a pair of wellies or outdoor shoes and also any donations are very welcome so all children have access to spare wellies, thank you.

Donations

We are looking for the following:

- Tarpaulin sheets
- Dressing up items
- Doll Buggy/strollers/prams
- Wellies



Parent play sessions

The first session was a huge success, thank you to the x5 parents who joined us for the fun. The next session will be:

[Thursday 5th December](#)

12-1pm

Come and join in the fun and play!

[Please book a place by contacting the school office. You can book a school lunch if you wish and we ask for you to bring with you a donated item for Opal.](#)



Please ensure that all personal scooters brought to school are labelled with your child's name so they don't get mixed up with our school scooters.