



OPAL PLAY Newsletter 1.7.24



Thank you to all of the parents, carers, grandparents and other family members who attended our first 'Opal Family Play Session' on Wednesday 26th June. It was lovely to see you and thankfully the sun was shining (perhaps a little too much!) We hope that you could see for yourself that play is such an important part of childhood and that by providing a variety of activities each child is able to find something that motivates them and brings them joy. Playtimes are so much more fun since becoming an Opal school but additional benefits are that we now have fewer behaviour and medical incidents. If you would like to join us for our next open afternoon on Thursday 18th July please get in touch.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: A BIG PLEA!

Do you work in the construction industry or know anyone in the building trade? We would be so grateful if you could help us find or even donate some resources that may not be useful to you, but be really helpful for imaginative play.

We are looking for:

Cable reels

Plastic pipes

Pallets

Scaffolding Foam padding

Metal or plastic drum barrels

Crates

Tarpaulin

Wooden planks/ laminate flooring

Of course we welcome all other donations and, as we are coming to the end of our first year as an Opal school, we are looking to replenish our stock of small world toys/ dressing up/ pots and pans and spoons/ etc. And our absolute favourites— anything with wheels— scooters, large toy cars, suitcases old pushchairs, trolleys and wheelbarrows! THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



DON'T FORGET TO LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE FOR REGULAR UPDATES INCLUDING GOLDEN WELLY AND BROOM AWARD WINNERS, A COPY OF OUR WEEKLY ASSEMBLY AND OUR RISK BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS.



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