



Newsletter

4th October 2024



Play Rangers

From next week, the Opal Play Team will be joined by the Play Rangers. Initially, 2 children from the year 2 classes will have special play responsibilities. This will include supervising the correct and safe way to stack the tyres and supporting the play team to set out lunch time resources. We were delighted by the enthusiasm for this idea and full training will be given! We will keep you updated with this new initiative.



Sand

As we are entering the colder and wetter winter months, the children will wear boots when playing in the sandpits. We have a selection in school but please supply your own if you prefer. Waterproofs are also available to protect your children's clothes from the sand and water play. Your child needs to bring their own coat into school every day as the children will play outside in all weather conditions.



Freedom Friday is back!

Reception class children were given a few weeks to settle into their new environment before Freedom Friday was reintroduced. The children played with friends and siblings from other year groups. They had a fabulous time despite the wind and rain.

The Amazing Play Team member Mrs Rose is completing a sponsored swim to raise funds for Opal resources. The link to her JustGiving page is attached.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/opalswim>



Please continue to collect any conkers, acorns, sycamore seeds etc when out for a walk. These make excellent small parts for our mud kitchen and water play. Thank you to the families who have already brought some in.

Free play is fundamental to children's physical, social, mental and emotional development and intrinsic to their health and happiness in the present moment.