



We are proud to be an OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) school, which means we are committed to providing high-quality, inclusive play opportunities for all children every day. OPAL is all about recognising the importance of play in children's development—supporting their creativity, confidence, social skills and wellbeing through rich, varied outdoor experiences. We are currently in our first year of establishing OPAL across the school, and we are already seeing a huge improvement in the children's play behaviours, including more collaborative play across age groups, increased creativity, and more active, engaged playtimes.

Our play offer is growing all the time. It currently includes a wide range of exciting stations such as chalk, skipping ropes, construction, basketball, bubbles, vehicles with ramps, dressing up, music, a stage, two natural kitchens, home role play, dodgeball, Podley and animals and figures. We are very fortunate to have an incredible school site, including climbing equipment, a reflective area, willow domes, climbing trees, an astro, a forest area and pond, as well as large grassy and hard surface spaces—all of which support our OPAL vision.

As we continue to develop, we are always very grateful for donations to help enhance our provision. We are particularly looking for items such as construction toys, crates, scooters, dressing-up clothes, small world toys, buckets, guttering, tarpaulins and tubes. We also have an OPAL Amazon wish list for anyone who would like to contribute in that way.

In the future, we hope to expand further by adding wheeled toys, large loose parts, hammocks, a sandpit and more arts and crafts resources. We are also planning to use our field all year round once we have secured funding for welly sheds.

Thank you for your continued support as we build an even richer play experience for all our children!