

PARK END PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING

Happy new year to all of our families and children!

We wanted to let our parents and carers know about some exciting changes to our play times and lunchtimes.

Park End Primary is about to start a programme to improve childrens socialisation, cooperation, coordination, resilience, creativity and enjoyment of being outdoors and playing. The programme is called OPAL: Outdoor Play and Learning.

You may notice a lot more equipment on the school playgrounds over the coming months. You may also notice your children coming home very excited about play!

HOW YOU CAN HELP

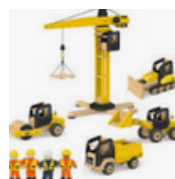
All KS1 children need to bring in their own wellies into school from January.

If you have any wellies you no longer need, please consider donating them to school.



YOU CAN HELP US BY:

We are looking for items for our outdoor areas. If you have any unwanted play items, we are asking for donations to school.



WHY OPAL?

20% of children's time in school is playtime and we want to make sure that this amount of time (equivalent to 1.4 years of primary school) is as good as possible.

As the school improves play opportunities, you may find we ask you for resources as we make changes about how the children use the school grounds. Your children may get a bit messier, be exposed to more challenges and have greater freedoms.

Please make sure children have warm, waterproof coats in school so we can begin our play adventure!



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