

# OPAL Newsletter



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This is what our playtimes look like at Greatstone











### Stay and Play Fridays

These sessions are after school from 3:15 to 4:15pm. If you feel like wrapping up warmly and having fun with your child/ren, come and join us.

#### Play Rangers

We now have our Opal Play Rangers who have been elected after applying for the role. Their job is to ensure that our playtimes run smoothly and to make sure that all Children have someone to play with. They will have certain allocated jobs and focus areas. The photos in this newsletter were taken by our Play Rangers. They are doing a fab job!



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Our traverse wall



We love practising our Spiderman skills

#### WINTER has arrived...

As the weather has now caught up with itself, we are seeing typical weather for this time of the year, but that doesn't stop us from having lots of fun. So that your child can still access all areas, as well as stay warm and dry, please make sure they have a warm waterproof coat and some wellies with them every day. Waterproof trousers and puddle suits are fantastic to have in this weather. The children can also bring a spare set of clothes just in case they need to change after playtime.





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### OPAL Fundraising

Thank you for supporting us at the disco, we made an amazing £700!

The 50<sup>th</sup> festival was a great success and as a result The Levin donated money to OPAL to buy a new big swing – Watch this space!

Shop and Give shopandgive.thegivingmachine.co.uk

Help us raise money by going Via an app or a website for online shops such as Ebay, Sainsburys, Tesco, Argos





#### Amazon Wish List

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/12OIWK104ZD6A?ref =wl share

### We are looking for....

- Suitcases
- Plastic crates
- Wooden pallets
- Cable drums / reels
- Fabric (Sheets / Saris / Curtains)
- Buggies / strollers
- Dressing up clothes / items
- Dolls
- Sand toys
- Water toys
- Pots/ pans / metal bowls/ metal spoons / spatulas
- Wheelbarrows and trowels
- Spare hats, gloves, wellies, waterproof trousers and puddle suits.

## What next....

larger monkey bars, paint the pirate ship black, in ground trampoline (eventually!), building pallet dens (little houses)

We proudly achieved the Platinum Award back in April 2024 and will be reaccredited in the Spring. To ensure we retain our Platinum grading we need to make sure everything is looking tip top. Let Mrs Davis know you can help after school on a Monday - we would really appreciate it.

If you have any ideas of how you can help OPAL, please contact:

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