



Berkeley Primary School

OPAL Newsletter Autumn 2025



Welcome to our second OPAL newsletter. It has been lovely to see the children embrace all of the outdoor play opportunities that have become available to them since we began our OPAL journey. We are navigating our first OPAL winter and are working hard to ensure that we continue to offer a wide range of play opportunities, whatever the weather!

What we have introduced since September:

- Roll bars on both the infant and junior sites
- A vehicle
- Up and down balance blocks
- Den building
- Table tennis



What we have planned for next term :



- 'Wheels area'
- Tyre play
- Digging area for the juniors
- Outdoor chalk boards



Wellies and Waterproof Coats



Important Message

The grassed areas around school are becoming increasingly muddy. From January, **all** children will need a pair of **wellies** if they wish to access these areas. If possible, please also send some spare clothes in your child's bag for them to get changed into when needed. We have a very limited supply of spare clothes in school.



Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day



A Big Thank You



Thank you to everyone who has donated so far. You have made a wonderful contribution to our children's play.

Thank you to MC Tyres who have kindly donated tyres. These will be used in our wheels area and for tyre play next term on both the infant and junior sites. Keep your eyes peeled for photos on the next newsletter!



Thank you to John Todd who has kindly donated, and continues to donate soil for our mud kitchens on both the infant and junior sites.

Thank you for your continued support, we appreciate that your child may come home dirty but they are having a great time!



How can you help?

From January, donations of the following will be gratefully received:

- Plastic dress up props for use during wet weather such as hats, shields, crowns, role play resources
- Den building and camping equipment
- Old and outgrown wellies

Thank you for your support

Please put these in the collection box located in the front entrance on the junior site.