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Our School's OPAL Motto

"Play Every Day – Learn, Laugh, and Grow Together!"



OPAL Play Charter



Our Commitment

We promise to:

1. **Value play as a right** – Every child has the right to play, as set out in Article 31 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).
2. **Provide time and space to play** – We will protect and prioritise playtime every day, in all weathers.
3. **Offer rich, varied play opportunities** – Our outdoor spaces will include natural, creative, and open-ended materials that inspire imagination and exploration.
4. **Include everyone** – Every child, regardless of age, ability, background, or gender, will have equal access to enjoyable play opportunities.
5. **Support children's independence** – We will encourage children to take ownership of their play, make choices, and learn to manage risks safely.
6. **Celebrate creativity and joy** – We will recognise and value the importance of fun, friendship, laughter, and adventure in school life.
7. **Work together** – Staff, pupils, parents, and the wider community will work in partnership to create a positive, playful culture at our school.

Our Play Values

We believe that:

- Play should be **child-led** and **self-directed**.
- There is **no such thing as bad weather**, only inappropriate clothing!
- **Mess, movement, and imagination** are vital parts of learning.
- **Risk and challenge** are healthy and help children grow in confidence.
- **Play belongs to children** – adults are there to support, not control.

Our Play Promise to Children

-  To play outside in all seasons and weathers.
-  To use your imagination and make up your own games.
-  To build, create, dig, climb, and explore.
-  To make friends and play together.
-  To have a say in how your playtimes look and feel.
-  To have fun, every day!



The Glory of God is a Human Being Fully Alive!

