

# Weekly Newsletter

## OPAL UPDATE

As many of you may have noticed, the constituent parts of the first phase of our new OPAL play programme have really started to come together. This is thanks mainly to the amazing efforts of a number of the team here with a significant helping hand from some of the children.

'The Village' is in construction, the mud kitchen is on its way and next week construction will get underway on the sandpit and tunnels! All leading to the rapidly approaching launch on 15th June.



### Wellies!!

A key aspect of the OPAL programme is that the children will be out having fun in all weather! To ensure this is possible, the children will be asked to bring in a pair of wellies which will need to be in school all the time. School will of course provide these for any families in need of support and we would like to pass on a massive thanks to one of our parents for donating a box of wellies to help us ensure all children have access to fun, even when it's muddy!

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

We have been lucky enough to have five applications for the Parent Governor position which has become available. We are therefore moving now to a formal election stage and would encourage as many of you as possible to engage in this as it is such a vital role within the school community.

By clicking on this link you can view the five applicants along with a short description of their respective backgrounds. This is the means through which you may cast your vote. Please note votes are restricted to one per parent and the form will close at 4pm on Friday 22nd May.

## HOME LEARNING SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

In response to parental requests, we developed a dedicated page of our website to help families support their children at home

The Home Learning Support page of our website - this contains supporting materials for maths, phonics, reading and writing.

For support specific to maths we would also signpost the following resources:

White Rose Maths Home Learning - this contains a huge number of very short videos which directly link to what we are doing in school.

Maths with Michael - your go-to for short videos explaining the methods the children learn for solving calculations.

Free downloadable booklets from White Rose - these can be printed should you want to do any additional practice with your child at home. There are 10-15 per year group which directly relate to what your child is doing in school.

There are also links to a number of apps that should be of use including Numbots, Times Table Rockstars and One Minute Maths. If you need any help with access to any of the above, please just ask!

