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Dear Families,

OPAL Play has launched with a huge bang and we cannot wait to make it even better!

I am incredibly fortunate to see the children enjoying everything on offer and even more fortunate to watch their confidence, happiness and friendships grow during lunchtime. The children are demonstrating fantastic imagination, teamwork and inclusion every day.

With KS1 and KS2 children mixing together and making full use of our wonderful school grounds, we would love to provide even more opportunities for play. To do this, we need your help!

Donations Needed
We would like to create a dressing-up area, but rather than single-use costumes, we are looking for:

- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves

We would also be very grateful for donations of **LEGO**. We do not need complete sets, just loose bricks and pieces to add to our LEGO table.

Donation boxes will be available by the donation station from the week beginning **16th November**.

In the coming weeks, we will also begin introducing larger loose parts such as:

- Pallets
- Crates
- Plastic barrels

If you have any of these items available, please contact the school office by email.

Kind regards,

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