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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share just how brilliant our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) provision has been since the start of the new school year in September. The children have returned full of energy and excitement, and it has been wonderful to see them so engaged and inspired during their playtimes.

OPAL continues to play a vital role in our school day, offering children the opportunity to explore, imagine, build friendships, and develop essential life skills through high-quality, inclusive play. The impact has been overwhelmingly positive. Children are more active, creative, and cooperative, and there is a real sense of joy and freedom during every OPAL session.

This term, we've introduced some fantastic new zones that have taken the experience to the next level. These include:

The Car Wash - a fun and imaginative space where children can role-play and work together.

Dressing Up Zone – sparking creativity and confidence through costume and character play

Painting Zone – allowing for open-ended artistic expression with large-scale outdoor painting.

Mud Painting Area – a sensory rich zone where mess is encouraged, and creativity knows no limits!

We're incredibly proud of how OPAL continues to grow and the positive impact it has on our children's wellbeing, social skills, and overall happiness at school.

Thank you, as always, for your support. If you ever want to see OPAL in action, we would be thrilled to welcome you in for a visit.

Yours sincerely Miss K Wilson OPAL Leader

