

OPAL:

Engaging, exciting and
joyful playtimes at

Colmers Farm Primary School!

We make sure your
child gets a high quality
education

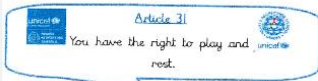
Nature
is the
best
Playground



Every day
is a
treasure



Welcome to Colmers Farm Primary School! At our school, we have OPAL provision, which stands for outdoor play and learning. It allows children to stay active, improves their skills and fills their minds with creative ideas. OPAL ensures every pupil has an amazing playtime everyday; it also improves their mental health.



Article 31 gives every child the right to relax, play and join in cultural and creative activities; this supports wellbeing, imagination and lifelong learning.

What is OPAL?

OPAL is a programme that makes lunchtimes entertaining and provides more areas for children to explore. The activities helps the children to express themselves and helps them to feel free. Play is not just a break from learning, it is learning; it gives the children inspiring ideas.



OPAL at Colmers Farm

Activities that we have:

- A slackline
- A sandpit
- A mud café
- A construction sight
- A climbing frame
- A digging area
- Creative areas for doing art
- A bookshelf
- A stage with a music box for pupils to dance
- A bus



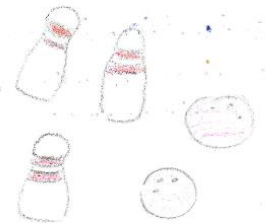
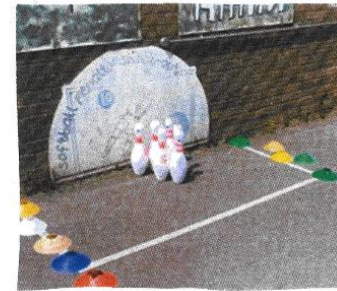
Equipment that we have:

- Hula hoops
- Basketballs
- Wheelchairs, suitcases crutches and walking sticks to use when role-playing
- chalk



OPAL organisers

OPAL organisers are pupils, in year 6, that help set up all the equipment and activities during lunchtimes. They also help tidy up all the activities at the end of lunchtoo. They get their own neon, yellow high-visibility jacket with the words 'OPAL Organisers' on the back.



"I really appreciate OPAL and I think it is really fun!"

-Isabelle Year 6
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Children playing with lego, using their imagination to build interesting things.

OPAL achievements

Every Friday, we have an assembly in the morning to give out awards to children. We have OPAL achievements where two children are chosen to receive a golden welly that sits at their desk, a certificate to take home and to show their parents/friends and a bright yellow high-visibility jacket to wear on the playground. Also, if a child is good on the playground, they might be awarded an OPAL hot chocolate nomination; they might get a chance to have a hot chocolate with the headteacher.



The benefits of OPAL

Since OPAL has started at our school, pupils have more fun activities to do during playtimes; it helps to build teamwork, creativity and independence.



"I Love OPAL because everyday when I pick up my child from school, they are happy and bright. They won't stop telling me about these stories that happen during lunchtimes. I believe other parents love OPAL too!"

What are your opinions about our OPAL provision?

By Robyn Hetherington