Our Clockhouse Association in partnership with **KEYSTONES**

Wow! What a year it has been for our entire Clockhouse Community. During these uncertain times, Our Clockhouse Association immediately made the decision to remain as relevant as possible and knew keeping a high level of morale boosting events, would only help us all through the past school year. By meeting regularly and safely via Zoom, OCA proudly facilitated nine separate events and raised a fantastic £4,457 all of which would not have been possible without the support of all the staff, children and extended families.

OCA would like to take this opportunity to sent lots of luck to Mr Pye with your 2 upcoming marathons. We know you will raise further to the money raised by Clock the Miles.

We at Our Clockhouse Association continue to thank Mr Scott Jay and all the staff at Keystones Property for their continued support in all that we do.

OCA continue to be supportive with the OPAL initiative, and again ask for your help! As mentioned in the autumn term last year, as you know, we have now launched the exciting new project to make our play times even better, in conjunction with OPAL. (https:// outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/)

At Clockhouse, we strongly believe that: "Play is freely chosen, personally directed, intrinsically motivated behaviour that actively engages the child. Play can be fun or serious. Through play, children explore social, material and imaginary worlds and their relationship with them.. By playing, children learn and develop as individuals, and as a member of the community" (Play Council 2001).

This project continues to change the way we think and improve how we play at Clockhouse (in line with the government guidelines regarding Covid). We have already bought in some new resources and are currently moving some things around the playground and we continue to require some loose parts. Loose parts are any materials that can be easily moved, combined, and incorporated safely into children's free play. The items we are looking for will enable us to enjoy a wider range of play experiences during playtime (see below for some examples):

- Suitcases, buggies, prams or pushchairs of any size and type.
- Briefcases, especially hard-cased ones.
- Anything on wheels/castors.
- Plastic milk crates.
- Road signs and cones.
- Kitchen pots, pans, baking trays, work tables, wooden spoons, chopping boards (for our mud kitchen)
- Tools like spades, trowels and brooms.
- Tubes of various sizes and various materials.
- Buckets.
- Nets and ropes.
- Keyboards
- Fabric (large sheets/ brightly coloured fabric)
- Foam sheets/Body boards
- Guttering
- Pegs (to help set up dens)

If you have anything that could help us, please do let us know so that we can arrange drop off!

A quick word from our Chair

I would just like to say a huge thank you and well done to the entire Clockhouse community for all your support this year. I am delighted to tell you that OCA will remain as committed as ever in the coming school year 2021/2022 to help provide you all with as many fun filled and exciting events as possible, SO WATCH THIS SPACE!

Have a wonderful summer Clockhouse!

Thank you all

Mr Koten

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

This year, with your help, we hosted the following:

Pumpkin carving competition

- Letters to Santa
- Playstation 5 raffle

Festive Hamper raffle

Clock the keys

Easter egg roll

Clock the miles

Thank you day sale

Break the rules day

We need you!!!

Our team are always happy to welcome new recruits, so with that in mind if anyone would like to become a member of OCA please feel free to contact the school on 01708745972 and Mr Koten will get to you as soon as possible!