## Our Clockhouse Association in



# partnership with **KEYSTONES**

What another fantastic year it has been for Our Clockhouse Association and the entire Clockhouse community. Our fabulous team managed to facilitate 10 separate events, each met with the usual amount of support and dedication we have become used to.

A particular highlight was our fabulous School Summer Fete! A true sense of community spirit filled the air that hot summers day!

Our total raised amounted to £8351 for the year, which will be reinvested into our school to the benefit of both students and staff.

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

OCA continue to be supportive with the OPAL initiative, and again ask for your help! As mentioned - last year, this exciting on-going project it to make our play times 100% 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).

Our hopes are that this project will continue to change the way we think and improve how we play at Clockhouse (in line with the government guidelines regarding Covid). To facilitate this project, we continue to need to buy in new resources, move some things around on the playground and we will continually require some loose parts. Loose parts are any materials that can be easily moved, combined, and incorporated safely into children's free play.

Can you help - 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)

Please see Mr Koten or Mrs Reinecke if you have any on these and thank you in advance for your support.

#### 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.

OCA will remain as committed as ever in the coming school year - 2022/2023 to help provide you all with as many fun filled and exciting events as possible!

To echo what has already been stated, a personal favourite moment for myself was soaking up the wonderful atmosphere during our first Summer Fete.

THAT IS WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT!

WATCH THIS SPACE CLOCKHOUSE FOR 2022-2023

### **REVIEW OF THE YEAR 21/22**

Sweet stalls

Pumpkin carving competition

Letters to Santa

Star prize raffles

Clock The Elves

Hot chocolate and Baileys for the staff

Festive Hamper raffles

Reach for the egg

Mother/Fathers day stalls

Summer Fete 22

#### 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!