## Our Clockhouse Association in



# partnership with **KEYSTONES**

Wow Clockhouse! 2022/23 has once again been a huge success. The wonderful team at Our Clockhouse Association with the help and support of The Clockhouse Community have worked together, to hopefully bring smiles to faces.

9 separate events were held this year, all greeted with the usual enthusiasm and dedication we have become accustomed to

A grand total of £10,993 was raised this school year, with lots of funds being regenerated into our school.

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 in the autumn term last year, we would like to launch an 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).

Our hopes are that this project will 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 will need to buy in some new resources, move some things around on the playground and we will 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)

Please do not bring items directly onto school site; we will send out information on drop off days shortly.

#### 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 to help provide you all with as many fun filled and exciting events as possible!

A personal high point for myself this year was when, due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, our Festive disco had to be moved from December to February.

But in true Clockhouse style, the show went on and a fantastic time was had by all!

LETS MAKE 2023/2024 ANOTHER OUTSTANDING YEAR!!

## REVIEW OF THE YEAR 22/23

Krispy Kreme sale

Letters to Santa

Star prize raffles

Festive Hamper raffles

**Festive Disco** 

Easter Egg Roll

**Mothers Day Sales** 

Fathers Day Sales

Summer Fete 2023

### 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 or in tern look out on Dojo for upcoming meetings ad feel free to come along.