

# GEORGE ROMNEY JUNIOR SCHOOL



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Dear parents, carers and families,

This week, our Y5 children were visited by a researcher from Manchester Metropolitan University who was evaluating their learning in our PALS reading programme. Although the children are only half way through the 20 week course, the professor was delighted with the way the children were reading and understanding the books they were reading. Afterwards, when we were talking about the programme, she also told me how impressed she was with the children's attitude to learning, their ability to verbalise what they had learned and how they learned and of course about how polite they were! It was lovely to hear such positive feedback on all levels – we are very proud of them – well done! A BIG thank you to Mrs Roberts and Mrs Culley who have been supporting the children with this!

This week, we have all looked at the next stage of our OPAL play project. The whole staff team will be involved in this exciting and new approach to creative, active play activities during lunchtimes. We are still in the planning process but I am already asking parents, families and friends of George Romney for help and support! Although we have some funding to buy resources, there are a few areas which we hoped we could cover with donations...

<b>Clothing:</b>	<b>Loose Parts:</b>	<b>Toys:</b>	<b>And also:</b>
<i>-pre-loved waterproofs</i> <i>-pre-loved wellies (in pairs!)</i>	<i>-timber/planks</i> <i>-tyres/crates</i> <i>-rope/tarps</i> <i>-pallets</i> <i>-logs</i>	<i>-lego</i> <i>-toy cars</i> <i>-dolls/figures</i> <i>-teddies</i> <i>-blankets</i>	<i>-old suitcases</i> <i>-prams</i> <i>-role-play stations</i> <i>-old pans/wooden spoons etc.</i>

Many thanks for your anticipated support,

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(Headteacher)



