



BADSWORTH
CofE School

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'I can do all things through Him who strengthens me'.
Philippians 4:13

6th October, 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

In 2018, OPAL won the 'Best Active Schools' Programme in Europe' award and has been cited in two parliamentary reports as delivering outstanding practice. OPAL is working closely with Sport England to promote more active childhoods, which is one of the many reasons we are continuing to improve our playtimes, here at Badsworth School, as well as improving opportunities for socialising, co-operation, co-ordination, resilience, creativity, imagination and enjoyment for your child.

As part of enhancing play at Badsworth School, children will have access to more of the school grounds, including the field, at lunchtimes, so that play is less restricting and children can have more choice in what they play. If your child would like to continue accessing the field over the winter months, we will need your help in making sure they have the appropriate outdoor clothing for the eventuality of being on the field, even when it is sometimes muddy and rainy.

Waterproof coats and wellies will be a necessity for children to be able to access the field, especially now that Autumn is here. Therefore, if your child would like to access the field, please send in a pair of wellies, which will stay stored in school and please make sure each day, your child arrives to school with a waterproof/winter coat. The children will change into their wellies at the start of lunchtimes and these will be stored back away at the end of lunch and kept in school. Please note, if your child does not have suitable footwear, on wet/muddy days, they will not be allowed on the school field.

Please make sure the wellies and coats are **clearly labelled** with the **child's name and year group on them**. Also, please note, the children's wellies and coats could become dirty, therefore, we politely ask that you do not send in wellies or coats which you do not want getting muddy.

We are really excited about this project and hope that you will support us in our efforts to improve playtime for all children.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Parkin

PE Lead



The Designated Senior Lead (DSL) for Safeguarding & Child Protection is the Headteacher, Jenny Griffiths, supported by the Deputy Headteacher Jake Thomson, Dominique Jenkins EYFS and KS1 Team Leader and the SENDCO Marie Parker.

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