

25th April 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

'Reception Class - Forest School Programme'

After the success of the introduction of our Forest School sessions last term, we are pleased to offer all children in Reception class the opportunity to take part in 4 sessions, this summer term on a Friday morning.

- Friday 3rd May
- Friday 10th May
- Friday 17th May
- Friday 24th May

'Forest School is an inspirational process that offers all participants regular opportunities to achieve, develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in a local woodland environment.' - Forest School Association

During Forest School children will take part in activities that encourage physical development and well-being, self-esteem, confidence, emotional intelligence, resilience, moral and spiritual development, creativity and independent learning.

Forest School activities will include team building games, rope activities, tree climbing, shelter building and making crafts using natural materials. We also hope to share a drink and snack together, hopefully something that has been prepared during the session by the children. Some activities may include the use of tools and occasionally fire use, these activities will be planned based upon the capabilities and interests of the children and will be facilitated 1:1.

So that your child can differentiate between Outdoor Learning sessions and Forest School sessions, we would like your child to wear more appropriate clothing for the activities that they will take part in. Please only send your child in clothing that you don't mind getting dirty, wet or both! This is all part of their Forest School experience, they will need:-