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Article 28: Children have a right to a primary education.

Friday 10th October 2025

Forest School Sessions

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited to inform you that we will be starting Forest School sessions with the Early Years children after half term.

Forest School will take place on our school grounds. It offers the children opportunity to take supported risks appropriate to the environment and themselves. The approaches used for learning will complement other types of outdoor learning and opportunities for play. Forest School promotes engagement in the natural environment, using learner-centred processes to foster resilience, confidence, independence and creativity. Through this holistic approach, children develop their physical, social, emotional, moral, spiritual and intellectual understanding, and this equips them to be effective learners and citizens. Forest School sessions will be led by a qualified Forest School Leader.

In preparation for this, please can you add **a pair of long, tight or cuffed trousers, a plain, dark and long-sleeved top, a warm jumper and some spare socks** into your child's PE bag after half term. Please also ensure that they are coming in to school with a warm, waterproof coat each day. The children will be provided with waterproof trousers / suits when required. Additionally, please can you send in a named pair of wellies. These will be stored on welly racks at school and sent home at the end of the school year. If you need your child to bring home their wellies at any point, please let your child's class teacher know.

Please be aware that ticks are always possible when being out and about, including on grassland areas, hence the request for long trousers and socks, so please regularly check your child for ticks. If we suspect your child has a tick, we will call you so that you can come and remove the tick or pick up your child to go home and remove it before bringing them back to school.

Each class' Forest School session will take place on the same day as their PE lesson:



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Caterpillars – Monday

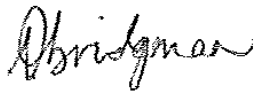
Froglets – Tuesday

Ducklings – Thursday

Please be aware that PE bags will now be coming home each week for washing and must be returned to school ready for the next session.

We would like to ensure every child has the opportunity to fully take part in Forest School. To do so, we will be building up a collection of second-hand wellies and would be very grateful for any donations of spare pairs. If you would like to bring some in, please can you hand them in to the school office.

Yours faithfully,



Miss Bridgman

Early Years and Forest School Lead



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