



Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 2 Forest School.

From week commencing 7th September your child will be taking part in Forest School activities every alternate Wednesday, starting with Yr. 2 Holly on 9th September. A two-hour session will take place in the Forest School within our own school grounds. Mrs Crapper will lead the sessions with support from your child's class Teaching Assistant.

We will be outside in all different weather conditions, including rain and colder temperatures. Your child will be required to wear appropriate clothing and footwear for each session. They will need:

- Clothing they are comfortable in and are allowed to get dirty
- Long trousers in all weathers to protect against insect bites, scratches and stings
- Stout footwear with enclosed toes in all weather
- Warm layers , hat and gloves
- Waterproofs, including waterproof trousers if they have them, for wet weather

Remember that your child's clothes may get very dirty during the activities, so please can you let your child know that it is alright for them to get dirty in Forest School! Your child will need to bring these clothes in for every Forest School session and will get changed out of their uniform before going into the Forest School. At the end of the session, they will change back into their school uniform.

Your child will take part in activities such as:

- Building shelters using natural materials, tarpaulin and rope
- Investigating woodland wildlife
- Tree climbing – pupils will be allowed to climb to a maximum height of 1.5 metres from the ground with adult supervision
- Art and craft activities
- Using tools such as bow saws, loppers and potato peelers under 1:1 adult supervision and with appropriate training in safety
- Campfire cooking – with adult supervision and with appropriate safeguards in place
- Trail finding and exploring – within the Forest School boundary

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M. Crapper
Forest School Practitioner/Teacher

