**Forest School at SS John and Monica’s Catholic Primary School**

**Learning Opportunities and Outcomes:**

• develop personal and social skills

• work through practical problems and challenges

• use tools to create, build or manage

• discover how they learn best

• pursue knowledge that interests them

• learn how to manage failures

• build confidence in decision making and evaluating risk

• develop practical skills

• understand the benefits of a balanced and healthy lifestyle

• explore connections between humans, wildlife and the earth

• regularly experience achievement and success

• reflect on learning and experiences

• develop their language and communication skills

• improve physical motor skills

• become more motivated

• improve their concentration skills

**Individualised activities:**

• Setting up the school 'camp' with expectations (this will be ongoing)

• Safe tool use (introduction to bow saws and billhooks)

• Whittling and tool making (mallet)

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• Design fire pit and secure with pegs designed by students.

• Whittling and tool making (bows, spoons and skulking foxes)

• Rope work and knots (build a picture frame)

• Building wooden structure off the ground

• Rope bridge and swing

• Correct and safe fire lighting (using fire steel)

• Different ways to light fire

• Wild cooking (bread and popcorn)

• Den building/shelter building

• Exploring habitats

• Mini beasts and conservation

• Woodland crafts Willow weaving initials (classroom based)

• Exploring and collecting woodland materials to make natural art (collage)