

## 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)
- Safe tool use (introduction to loppers, draw saws and penknife)
- 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)