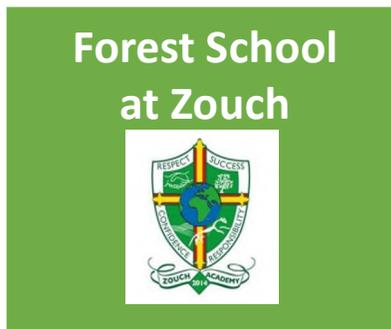


Curriculum Intent

The intent and philosophy of Forest Schools is to inspire individuals of all ages through positive outdoor experiences. Our Forest School activities seek to provide our children with the opportunities to develop an inquisitive and positive relationship with the natural world, based around our core values. The experiences we provide help them to increase confidence in decision making, make choices in their play and negotiate with each other - all of which aids their development along with a deeper respect and **understanding** for each other and their environment. Forest School makes up part of our outer curriculum and reflects our embedded values including respect, courage, cooperation and trust. The experiences within Forest School are intended to provide a relaxed and well-paced learning environment that will benefit well-being whilst helping to develop self-esteem, team work and the ability to concentrate.

Assessment

Our Forest School Lead will assess learning during each lesson and unit of work to build up accurate judgements of children's attainment.



Curriculum Implementation

Through a wide range of expertly planned, hands on activities, children are taught the key **vocabulary** and **knowledge** that will enable them to develop **skills** that will equip them for their Forest School sessions and beyond. The hands-on activities are engaging for all children and they respond quickly on their journey of development. Forest Schools happen weekly and are led by our highly trained and passionate Forest School Lead. Where possible, Forest School sessions are adapted to compliment the learning that is happening within the classroom and are adapted to ensure all learners succeed and thrive.

Curriculum Impact

The implementation of this curriculum, ensures that when all children leave Zouch Academy, they are able:

- To appreciate the natural world and understand how to treat it respectfully.
- To understand how to show resilience in challenging situations.
- To communicate clearly with others.

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