

16th October, 2023
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FOREST SCHOOL (BEARS AND CROCODILES)

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to share with you that after half term, our school will be implementing Forest School into our provision.






Forest School is a specialised approach to outdoor learning that aims to develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning in woodland environments. **Our Forest School sessions will be delivered every Wednesday in school until Christmas half-term, starting with Bears and Crocodiles on Wednesday, 8th November:**

- Bears: 10am-11am
- Crocodiles: 1:30pm-2:30pm

Sessions will be delivered by a qualified and experienced Forest School practitioner, Brendan. Class teachers and support staff will accompany their classes during the sessions – and take part in all of the exciting learning!

All sessions will take place outside on our school field and will focus on building resilience and social skills. Some examples of activities that the children may complete are woodland craft, nature studies and den building. Children will also have the opportunity to experience supervised outside cooking and help develop out field space e.g. planting and harvesting vegetables.

As sessions will be taking place outside, it is essential that your child is suitably dressed. Children are best wearing several thin layers that can be added or removed as needed. **Please provide your child with the following items of clothing:**

Wellington boots / walking boots*	Jogging bottoms	Long sleeve top (base layer and jumper)	Waterproof coat (with hood)	Hat, scarf and gloves
				

***Please bring wellington boots into school in a named carrier bag**

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We will be digging and playing so please provide old clothes that can get dirty. We will be purchasing puddle suits but are recommending that parents buy one for their child for an 'exact fit'. These can be purchased from places like Amazon, GoOutdoors and Mountain Warehouse.

We will be hosting a Forest School Information Workshop for parents/carers on Tuesday, 24th October at 9am. The workshop will last for no longer than 30 minutes.

We thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Morley".

Ms. K Leach and Mrs. K Morley
Co-Headteachers

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