

September 2024



Year 2 Forest School

Parent/Carer,

As you may already be aware, your child will be continuing to take part in Forest School in Year 2. This year the children will undertake Forest School sessions every Wednesday starting on Wednesday 11th September alternating mornings and afternoons.

In Year 2, children come to school in their school uniform and bring their Forest School clothes and wellington boots in named carrier bags. At the beginning of each session, they will change into their Forest School clothes. At the end of each session, they will change back into their school uniform before home time and bring their Forest School kit home.

As your child will be participating in Forest School during the winter months, they will need at least two layers. For the bottom half please provide a pair of old trousers and some pyjama bottoms/leggings/tights, three or four layers for the top half such as a vest, a long-sleeved T-shirt and a jumper, as well as a warm coat. In addition, we suggest at **least two pairs of socks**, a hat and gloves (no scarves for safety reasons). They will need a waterproof coat, waterproof over trousers and some waterproof footwear such as wellington boots or snow boots.

Your child will be taking part in Forest School whatever the weather (with the exception of lightning storms, high winds or torrential rain) so please make sure they have the **full named kit with them for every session** otherwise the Forest School experience is not as enjoyable.

The Forest School motto is: **“There is no such thing as inappropriate weather, only inappropriate clothing!”**

During our Forest School sessions children have time for a drink and snack; please can children bring their own named snack and drink to take out to Forest School for the morning session. This can be more substantial than their usual fruit and water snack, to sustain them through the outdoor session, such as a brioche and a milk shake. If sending in a warm drink, please ensure it is cool enough for your child to drink safely.

The morning dates until half term are:

11th September, 25th September, 9th October, 23rd October

If you have any questions regarding any aspect of our Forest School sessions, please talk to your child's class teacher.

Many thanks,

Katherine Grindrod