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Article 28: Children have a right to a primary education.

Friday 10th November 2023

Forest School Sessions

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited to inform you that we will be starting Forest School sessions with our Early Years children in the week beginning 27th November 2023.

Forest School will take place on our school grounds – using the nature trail and area on our grass bank. It will offer the children the opportunity to take supported risks appropriate to our environment and themselves. The approaches used for learning will complement other types of outdoor learning and opportunities for play. Forest School promotes engagement in the natural environment, using learner-centred processes to foster resilience, confidence, independence and creativity. Through this holistic approach, children develop their physical, social, emotional, moral, spiritual and intellectual understanding, and this equips them to be effective learners and citizens. Forest School sessions will be run by qualified Forest School practitioners, either myself or your child's class teacher.

In preparation for this, please can you send in a named pair of wellies. These will be added to our outdoor welly rack and sent home at the end of the school year. If you need your child to bring home their wellies, at any point, please let your child's class teacher know. Please also ensure that your child comes into school with a warm waterproof coat each day. The children will be provided with waterproof trousers when required.

Each class' Forest School session will take place on the following days:

Ladybirds – Thursday Bumblebees – Wednesday Dragonflies – Monday Butterflies - Tuesday

We would like to ensure that every child has the opportunity to fully take part in Forest School. To do so, we will be building up a collection of second-hand wellies to be borrowed when needed and would be very grateful for any donations of any spare pairs that you may have at home. If you would like to bring some in, please hand them in to the school office.

I am sure that your children will tell you all about Forest School each week, but we will also be sharing photos on our Facebook page and website, so please keep an eye on both platforms!

Yours faithfully

Emily Fleet
EYFS leader

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