



Friday 10th November 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Forest School

Your child's class will take part in Forest School sessions this half term with Mrs Thorpe and Mr James.

Forest School is an initiative from Scandinavia, which is fairly new to North West England. It involves using the woodland as an outdoor classroom, encouraging children to have the freedom to explore and use multiple senses. Some of the activities the children will be involved in include; woodland games, tree identification, den building and safety in the woods.

The sessions will take place on Wednesday 15th November 2017 and Thursday 16th November 2017. **Please note the children will be taking part whatever the weather conditions.**

Your child will need to bring appropriate clothing for this activity. Please make sure all clothing is named and in a clearly named bag or carrier bag. It is essential that children bring long sleeved tops and trousers regardless of the weather, as this helps to protect their arms and legs from bramble scratches/nettle stings. It is also advisable to provide an extra separate waterproof coat that is not their school coat, if possible.

Please be aware that if your child does not bring their forest school kit they will take part in this activity in their school uniform and school shoes. If there are any queries or difficulties in obtaining clothing, please contact the class teacher before the day of the session.

Suggested clothing is as follows:

- **Long** sleeved top
- **Long** trousers
- Thick socks or several pairs
- Waterproof coat (separate from school coat if possible)
- Wellies or walking boots
- Waterproof trousers or salopettes (if possible)
- Sun hat/sun cream

Please do not send your child with new or expensive clothing as we expect that they will get wet and dirty.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Lee Dumbell
Head Teacher

