

8th September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Next **Wednesday afternoon**, Year 1 children will begin their block of Forest School sessions. These will continue on a weekly basis until half term.

We would be grateful if you could ensure that your child brings the following clothing to wear during these lessons.

- a pair of wellies,
- spare socks
- a pair of old trousers or leggings
- T-shirt
- jumper
- waterproof trousers
- waterproof coat
- hat

If the weather changes and becomes a lot colder, gloves and a hat may also be needed, although at present, a sunhat would be more appropriate. If your child does not have a pair of waterproof trousers, we do have some in school that he/she could use. (Unless the weather is very warm, we do ask that all children wear waterproofs over the top of their trousers during Forest School sessions to protect them from scratches and stings, as well as from the wet and cold.)

Please ensure that all Forest School **clothing is named** and placed in a bag. **Wellies should also be named**, and it is useful to peg them together. Forest School bags may be brought to school Monday, Tuesday or on Wednesday next week and they can be left in school for the half-term. However, as the weather changes, your child may need to bring additional layers of clothing into school to use for the sessions.

We ensure that children have a biscuit and a drink when they are actively participating in Forest School activities. As this has a funding implication, we would ask for a voluntary contribution of £2 per child to cover the cost. This can be paid using ParentPay. Log on to your ParentPay account and select pay for items. You can also send cash in a labelled envelope.

Please would you take a moment to read the attached letter, complete the proforma and return it to school.

Many thanks,

Mrs H. Betts

YEAR 1 FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS

UPDATED PERMISSIONS 2023

We would be grateful if could please complete the permission slip below and return it to school **before Wednesday13th September.**

I give permission for my child to take part in the following;

- Forest School sessions, including sessions where a small fire may be lit and cooking activities may occur.
- Cooking and tasting of foods at Forest School (e.g. toast, marshmallows etc). Usually hot chocolate and a biscuit are provided as a snack during sessions. In warm weather, we provide a cold drink.

***Please delete below as appropriate and provide additional information if allergies or health issues are known.**

***My child has no known allergies.**

***My child is allergic to the following**

***My child has no known health problems.**

***My child suffers from.....**

I will inform school if the above information changes.

Signed

Date

Please print name