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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am pleased to inform you that your child will be participating in a Forest School session every week in class.

In Forest School all children are given the opportunity to access experiences outside of the classroom and enjoy learning in our outdoor environment. This holistic approach to learning encourages imagination, self-esteem and a desire to learn about the natural world around them, within a safe environment that allows them to take risks and succeed through exploration and discovery.

Please provide your child with suitable clothing for the outdoors, that you don't mind getting dirty:

- Trousers or leggings
- Long sleeved top and jumper
- Wellington boots or trainers
- A waterproof coat and trousers

If their session takes place at 9am, please send your child into school wearing their Forest School clothing and provide a bag with their uniform inside. They will need to change into their school uniform after the session. Likewise, if they have their session in the afternoon, please send your child into school with their Forest School clothing in an appropriate bag. The Forest School Timetable can be accessed on the school website under Latest News.

During most Forest School sessions, the children stop for a break. We offer them a biscuit during this time. In addition, the children will sometimes be offered marshmallows and hot chocolate. If you are **not** happy for your child to consume any of these, please inform the office.

The running of Forest School is not possible without extra adult support! If you or grandparents are available to help in our Forest School, please contact the office know.

The equipment and resources can be expensive and do need replacing regularly. We therefore kindly ask that if you are able to donate £5 for the year to cover the costs of the Forest School this would be greatly appreciated and allow us to continue to provide the children access to a more enriched Forest School experience.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Owen

FOREST SCHOOL CLASS LESSON DONATION

Child's Name:.....Class:.....

Delete as appropriate:

- I have donated £5.00 via SCOPAY
- I enclose £5.00 cash

Signature:.....(Parent/Guardian) Date:.....



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