







Introduction to Forest School

What is Forest School?

Forest School is a form of outdoor education, based on Scandinavian principles, that is rapidly growing in popularity in the UK. Forest schools help children develop holistically by providing opportunities for child led play, discovery, and supported risk taking.



"I used to be afraid of the outdoors but now I'm not because it's so beautiful. I want to live here!"



Benefits of Forest School

- A deeper connection with the natural world.
- Increased understanding of safe risk taking.
- Develop patience, resilience, confidence and self-esteem.
- Increased sense of independence.
- Helps to develop social skills, language and communication.

















Activities at
Forest School
are child-led
and freely
chosen but
may include:













Forest School Kit List

Essential

All Sessions

- Long sleeves and trousers.
- Strong closed toed shoes (trainers, walking boots, wellies).
- A packed lunch.

Cold Weather

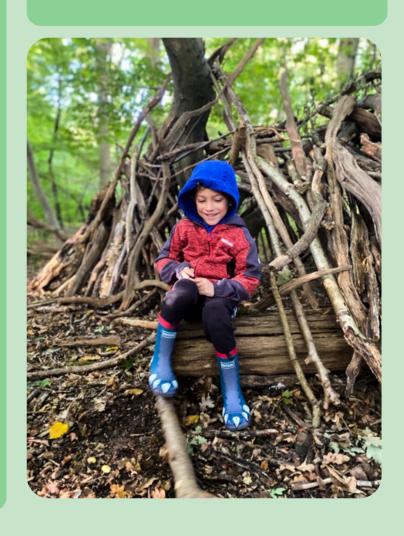
- Layers (walm socks, thermals hats, gloves etc..).
- · Waterproof coat.

Hot Weather

- Suncream
- Sun hat

Optional

- Waterproof trousers
- Spare clothing
- Snacks











The best classroom and the richest classroom is roofed only by the sky.

~Margaret McMillan





