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Dear Parents/Carers

Willow class will take part in Forest School on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 1.00pm-3.00pm. Forest school is an opportunity for your child to experience nature and the outdoor environment in a safe, secure and hands on way.

Our 'forest' is a small area within the school grounds which has now been planted with some trees and wild flowers. Within the 'forest' is an area known as the fire circle where children can socialise, and where we will have campfires. We also use a range of tools in this area under 1:1 supervision. A mixture of trees can be found in the 'forest' alongside bushes and some wild flowers. In addition to the trees and plants there are old wood piles to attract insects and small birds to our site. The children are encouraged to investigate & explore but also to respect all living things.

To ensure children are sufficiently protected from the weather and the forest school environment, and can participate fully and comfortably in the session we advise the following clothing. This clothing may get muddy so old clothes are best. Children must wear long sleeves and long trousers to protect them from insect bites, stinging nettles and thorns.

**Your child will need to bring their Forest School clothes in a bag and they will get changed after lunch.** Could your child bring in something to cook on the fire (bread, sausages, bacon, crumpets etc).

#### Winter clothing

- Long sleeved top/jumper
- Long trousers
- Warm hat and gloves
- Wellies or walking boots
- We do provide waterproof overalls.

I look forward to working with your child and hope they will share their experiences with you.

Mrs A Baxter  
Forest School Leader



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