



HURST HILL PRIMARY



Dear Parents/Carers

We have a new, exciting opportunity for our Reception children to experience some Forest School sessions in June, July, September and October. Children will spend some afternoons outdoors, connecting with the natural world, discovering more about their environment, exercising their imaginations and bodies, learning how to manage risk, working in teams, problem solving, creating and reflecting. (Please see the leaflet accompanying this letter for more information.)

These sessions will be led by two qualified Forest School Leaders from Lutley Primary School, Mrs Cole and Mrs Sumner, who both have over ten years of experience in Forest School practice. Miss Coley and a teaching assistant will also be with the class.

Our site is only just beginning to be developed by the Forest School Leaders, but we hope to be able to offer activities such as tree ID, natural crafts, construction, bug hunting and a mud kitchen.

As the sessions will cover the transition period from Reception to year 1, we believe they will further assist the children adapt to their new setting in September.

The dates of the summer term sessions are:

Wednesday 28th June

Wednesday 5th July

Wednesday 12th July.

Children may come to school in non-uniform on these days but please ensure their arms and legs are covered and that a coat is provided as we will still go out if it rains. Children may get muddy so please do not send children in clothes that cannot get a little dirty. Please provide a hat and apply sunscreen if the weather is hot.

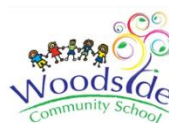
In year 1, we hope to develop a campfire area and will serve hot chocolate as the weather gets colder.

The development of the site has been somewhat difficult. **If you can offer any assistance with jobs such as pruning, digging, moving things, planting or woodwork, we would be incredibly grateful. Please leave contact details with the office, including your availability.**

Many thanks for your support

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