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'Learning at its heart'

Forest Sessions Kingfishers –Friday afternoons



Friday 10th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Every Friday afternoon, the Kingfisher class will spend time taking part in outdoor learning in the forest.

This will take place in our school grounds and involves activities that promotes an understanding of the natural environment, working co-operatively with their peers, developing their communication and independence skills. There will be a new focus on developing a range of practical skills that will present an element of challenge in the forest as they progress through the school.

Our sessions are led by Miss Ellis and Miss Haynes. The first session will be on **Friday 17th September 2021**. Your child will need to bring appropriate clothes for the forest in a named bag with them every Friday. The sessions are in the afternoon, so they will come home in their forest clothes with their uniform in their bag.

Your child will need to bring:

- Long sleeved top and jumper
- Full length trousers/leggings
- Socks
- Waterproof trousers
- Waterproof coat
- **Wellington boots in a separate named bag**
- Sunhat



Clothes, which cover their arms and legs, reduce the risk of any cuts or stings whilst in the forest, keeping the children safe. The children will be getting muddy so please only send clothes that can get messy.

As the weather gets colder, please send in warmer clothes and extra layers including hats, gloves and thick socks as we will be going out in all weathers.

It is vital that they have all the required kit or your child's experience in the forest will be limited. If they do not bring their kit with them, they may not be able to take part in Forest School at all. If you need support with this, please come and speak to me prior to the forest sessions starting. Please can you also make sure we have up to date allergy and medical information that may be relevant whilst in the forest.

The children enjoy learning outside and have an exciting time. If you do have any questions, please feel free to talk to me.

Yours sincerely,

Miss J Ellis

