

Our Values at Forest School

To be happy. To be tolerant of others. To have a variety of experiences. To build resilience. Have a healthy life-style.

To celebrate differences. To build teamwork skills.

Year Group	Season	Fire and Cooking	Geographical Skills	Knots	Environment	Water Safety	Problem Solving & Shelter Building	Risk	Tools	
EYFS	Ongoing RC	 To toast crumpets. Observe and talk about fire lighting procedures, select fuel. Discuss safety procedures. 	 Follow rules and boundaries. 	 introduce basic knots i.e. tie shoe laces. 	 Changing seasons. Plant bulbs. Autumn Walk. Search for butterflies. Observe changes throughout the different seasons. 	 Follow instructions and understand why they must not go near the water without an adult. 	 Make a log pile house. Make a bird's nest. 	 Follow rules Discuss floor level hazards. Discuss the dangers of eating berries and plants. Learn about the fire circle and correct sitting. The importance of handwashing. How to carry materials safely. 	 Introduction to tools (hammers, mallets, trowels). Cutting string. Bow saw to cut discs. 	
Y2	Ongoing RC/ELJ	 To cook fruit. To make a hot drink. Be safe around a fire. Fire triangle 	 Compass directions directional language Recognise landmarks Devise a simple map 	 Overhand knot Half hitch Lashing and frapping techniques 	 Animal ID Habitats Tree ID. 	• As above	 Animal shelters build a structure with materials that stand up against a tree. 	 As above Discuss field level hazards. Dangers of fungi. Identify floor level hazards. 	 Continuation of the use of basic tools, larger ropes and independent cutting of string Use of bow saw to cut discs. 	

	Season		Progression of skills													
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Y4	Ongoing CP	•	Apple and blackberry puree with pancakes. To melt fat for bird feeders.	•	Recognise features on a map. orientate a map. Orienteeri ng.	•	clove hitch	•	Classification keys Dangers to wildlife Identify and describe different parts and function of flowering plants.	•	Pond dipping	•	Use the den kits to build shelters. Den building for people.	As • •	above Discuss canopy level hazards. Discuss wild factors. Discuss shrub level hazards. Tree climbing	Loppers Secateurs Knives for whittling Shears
Y6	Summer CP	•	To make popcorn. To make and cook damper bread.	•	Eight points on a compass Map symbols Follow a course on a map. Grid references	•	Select own knots for purpose. Figure of eight Timber hitch	•	How amphibians are adapted to live on water and land. Life cycles of amphibians, birds, mammals and insects.	•	Identify places where water may be present by observing plants growing there.	•	In groups make a full kit den. Make a water proof den.	•	Identify and carry out a site risk assessment – independen tly.	Bow saw Whittling knives Folding saw Secateurs Loppers