Manor Way Primary Academy

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Forest School Sessions!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be running Forest School for children in Year 4 commencing the week beginning the 27th February 2023 for a four week period.

These sessions will take place between 1.30pm and 3.00pm on a Tuesday and a Wednesday afternoon for the 4 week period.

The children are split into groups of 15. Children with surnames A-H (Group 1) will be on a Tuesday and I - W (Group 2) on a Wednesday. Please see a specific timetable at the end of the letter.

The children will be outdoors, undertaking a range of activities, which will require them to bring outdoor clothing into school each week. Long sleeve tops and trousers must be worn to protect arms and legs. Please ensure they bring in a coat, old joggers, wellies and any other outdoor clothing e.g. gloves etc you deem applicable. Forest school sessions will run in all weather conditions except for strong winds so please bear this in mind.

Some of the events will involve the children cooking and eating food e.g. marshmallows, apples, bread. Therefore we would appreciate it if you could indicate any food type that your child should not eat or any food allergies that your child has so that school has the most up to date allergy information.

Depending on their year group, the children will learn how to use tools such as loppers, saws, drills and knives. They will also learn how to light fires and begin cooking. We will also focus on the children's knowledge of the environment as well as their ability to take safe risks whilst following the six forest school principles:





- A long term approach of 6 weekly sessions per year group
- Taking place in an appropriate environment
- A holistic approach which create resilient, creative, confident and independent learners
- Offers opportunities to take risks
- Run by a qualified Forest School practitioner
 - A learner centred approach

We are also looking for any parent volunteers who could come into school to assist us with these sessions. Due to the nature of Forest School we are unable to proceed with certain activities without the appropriate adult support. Therefore if you could spare any time could you please indicate below by ticking the dates you are available to support.

Yours sincerely, Mrs E Smith

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Manor Way Primary School – Forest School Timetable

Group 1 (surname A - H) dates - Tuesday 28th February Wednesday 8th March (Astley Burf) Tuesday 14th March Wednesday 22nd March

Group 2 (surname I - Z) dates - Wednesday 1st March Tuesday 7th March (Astley Burf) Wednesday 15th March Tuesday 21st March