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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to announce that **Reception** will be taking their learning outdoors for a weekly 'Forest School' session commencing in Autumn 2.

Accordingly, children will attend Forest School on the following days:-

**CLASS RA** sessions will run every **THURSDAY** commencing on **06/11/2025**.

**CLASS RB** sessions will run every **THURSDAY** commencing on **06/11/2025**.

**CLASS RC** sessions will run every **TUESDAY** commencing on **04/11/2025**.

Please note that forest school days may change throughout the year due to timetabling or other events. All changes will be communicated on the year group page on the website as well as Class Dojo in advance.

The Forest School mantra is *"there is no such thing as bad weather, only inappropriate clothing."* Different weather conditions offer different learning experiences. Forest School will go ahead in most weathers so please ensure your child is dressed appropriately. We recommend a minimum of:

- Long sleeved top
- Full-length trousers
- Wellies or walking boots (These will stay in school for the academic year)
- Extra pair of socks
- Coat
- During the colder months, extra layers should be worn such as a fleece, leggings, hats, gloves etc.
- During the summer, a sunhat and sunscreen should be applied. Long sleeves and full-length trousers are required to protect arms and legs.
- A named bag to carry their clothing.

Children are required to wear their school uniforms on the day of their session and bring their outdoor learning clothes to change into for their session. All clothing including coats and footwear must be clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Due to the nature of these sessions, clothing will get wet and muddy. Therefore, it is important that you provide old clothes that you do not mind getting dirty.

We highly recommend that your child also wears waterproof clothing such as overalls or separate waterproof coat and trousers. As a school, we have a class set of waterproof coats and trousers for every child within the class to wear and use for their session. Alternatively, you can provide your own waterproofs but this is not compulsory. You can find out more about Forest School at Yew Tree here:

<https://www.yewtreeprimary.co.uk/forest-school-1/>

Regards,  
Miss Jessica Horsley - Forest School Lead