

WHETSTONE FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Forest School

**Please note this letter is for the attention of all children and does not indicate the precise date of your child's Forest School sessions.
You and your child will be notified of this information at a later date.**

Each year children are encouraged to take part in Forest School sessions. Forest School is an outdoor, child-led, playful approach to learning. Through Forest School children have the opportunity to play, access the outdoors and the natural world and to create a community for learning and development for themselves and other learners. Forest School aims to encourage the holistic development of all learners, including fostering resilience, building confidence, encouraging independence and drawing out creativity.

Forest School always takes place outdoors therefore we will almost certainly get dirty! Throughout the year we may encounter very hot or cold/wet weather and all the other kinds in between, therefore we will provide the children with a pair of waterproof trousers and a waterproof jacket to protect their uniform and keep them dry.

When it is the turn of your child's class to attend Forest School we ask that for each session your child has at school a warm coat (to wear under school waterproof in cold weather only) and a pair of Wellingtons or old trainers. If the weather is sunny please remember to apply sun protection to your child before school and/or send a bottle to school for application at lunchtime as per the school's sun protection policy.

As a precaution we stock some items in our Forest School kit which are in addition to the usual school first aid supplies, including Savlon First Aid Wash (spray), Hand Gel and Bite & Sting Relief (spray). If you have no objections to these items being administered to your children as required at Forest School only please complete the attached medical permission form and return it to school as soon as possible. However, if there are any of the items you would prefer we did not administer please do not tick the box and speak to me or your child's class teacher.

Please note we will then retain this form on file for the duration of your child's education at this school and will assume all information is up to date and correct unless we are notified otherwise.

If you have any questions about Forest School, please do not hesitate to speak with either me or your child's class teacher after school.

Best wishes,

Miss Whitehouse



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Forest School Permission Form

Name of child _____

Class _____

Medical Information

I confirm that the medical items below may be administered to my child as required during Forest School sessions only.

Please tick each box if you agree to their use.

- Bite & Sting Relief Spray
- Savlon First Aid Wash (spray)
- Hand gel

Signed _____ Parent/Carer

Name _____ Date _____