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Dear Parents/Carers

Forest School 2018/19

Welcome back everyone! The children and myself are excited to get back outside and start exploring and using the Forest School area again this year, which you can probably see from the yard has grown considerably since July. As in previous years, each class will have one session per week as outlined below:

<u>Day</u>	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Monday		
Tuesday	Chestnut	Elder
Wednesday	Mulberry	Beech
Thursday	Holly	Larch
Friday	Maple	Willow

As always, the key for your child being comfortable during their half-day session outside (*in all weathers*) is layering. One thick layer will not keep the children warm, base and mid layers with a larger coat and waterproof are the better options. This does not mean expensive outdoor clothing however, a vest, t-shirt, thin jumper, coat, waterproof, hat, scarf and gloves are more than adequate to keep them warm and happy to join in with extended periods of time outdoors. Please ensure everything is labelled and as always we have a selection of clothing to borrow.

We have some exciting projects at Forest School this year. We started with our 'Know to Grow' programme last year, with a select number of children and are pleased to let you know that this will be rolled out to the whole school. Each half term the classes (during their Forest School sessions) will spend time in our allotment and poly tunnel, with each class having their own raised bed to tend to and grow produce in.

On Friday 19 October we will be hosting our first Autumn Show and all are invited to attend. We are hoping this will be like a traditional show with categories for you and your child to enter and win 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. These will include biggest vegetable, best cake, most unusual bread art and other exciting categories. We have invited local businesses and crafts to present show demonstrations and there will be crafts stalls, raffles etc. We would welcome any other ideas or if you would like to show off your skills please speak to me directly or the office staff. More details to follow very soon. We have a number of other exciting things happening this year and we look forward to be able to share these with you in the future.

Yours sincerely

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