St Catherine's RC primary school Forest School Newsletter

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Autumn term 1

Year 1 /2 class

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This half term the year 1 and 2 class have been enjoying Forest School in our NEW forest School site it has been wonderful to be using the improved area!

We have had lots of fun and learning. We have explored objects that sink and float and why it happens, looked at density and we the created our own raft in groups, they ALL floated even with our Lego people on board! We looked at the different colours and shapes in nature then we created mazes using sticks. The whole class learned how to tie a timber hitch knot to the build shelters and Dens – this was a favorite with all the children. The pupils even learned and practiced some vital first aid skills, we applied bandages, slings and talked about how to call in an emergency.

The class had a very competitive scavenger hunt where we looked for the signs of autumn around our school field. We also made hedgehogs from clay which the children got to take home!

In our final session for this half term we will be toasting crumpets over the fire, the pupils will practice getting a spark using a fire striker and learn some fire safety. The children always have some free exploring time at the end of each session. The mud kitchen and digging area are a favorite! So just remember to send them in old clothes that can get MUDDY.

Donations HELP!

To help develop our forest school area we rely on donations, rather than taking your rubbish to the tip we may need it!

If you have any from the list to hand, please email admin@primary-forest-school.co.uk or speak to the school office.

Pallets, wood chippings, old sinks, plants/bulbs, tree stumps, tyres, fire pits, planks of wood, bricks, unwanted pots/pans, unwanted utensils, cable drums, outdoor clothing, wellies, craft materials