



6<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parents & Carers

We are delighted to be able to offer all of the children in Reception the chance to attend a course of Forest School sessions this year. The sessions will take place in St Anne's Woods and you can find the dates of your child's group at the bottom of this letter.

*Forest School* is an internationally recognised outdoor education programme which supports children to learn about nature through hands-on experiences, whilst developing their confidence, self-esteem and resilience.

The children will have time to explore and enjoy the woodland and take part in a variety of activities including climbing, mini beast hunting, building shelters and cooking on an open fire. This year our forest school sessions will be lead by a practitioner from Play Wild (an outside provider of Outdoor Play experiences and Forest School – visit [www.playwild.co.uk](http://www.playwild.co.uk) to see what they're all about).

We would like to invite parents to accompany us and we will need at least 3 for Mars class & 4 for Earth class volunteers each week.

**The children will need to wear scruffy/old clothes that can get dirty to school on that day. Long sleeved tops/jumpers and long trousers are preferred. They also need to bring welly boots and a change of clothes in a named bag. Please also pack some spare plastic bags so we can separate any wet clothing or shoes.**

The cost of Forest School will be a total of £30, which the school have agreed to spread over 4 payments of £7.50 and can be made on MCAS by visiting the 'Forest School' section of the MCAS shop. Those parents able to pay the whole amount in one are also able to do so should they wish.

The dates of the sessions are:

Friday 27 Feb  
Friday 6 March  
Thursday 12 March  
Friday 20 March  
Friday 27 March and  
Thursday 2 April

Earth Class will go in the morning (soon after registration at 8.50am) and Mars Class will go in the afternoons (shortly after lunch at 1.00pm).

To volunteer your time to help with forest school, please complete the form using this link:  
<https://form.jotform.com/260363765622055> .

Please note that without an appropriate level of financial contributions or volunteers, then we will not be able to run this amazing experience for our Reception children.

Kind regards

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