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Dear Parents/Carers,

1W Forest School

Forest School is an educational approach that takes place in natural environments such as woodlands, where children engage in hands-on, child-led activities. It emphasises learning through play exploration, and risk-taking, aiming to develop physical, emotional, social and cognitive skills.

At William Read, we pride ourselves on our well-established site and we provide the opportunities for pupils to develop these skills outside the classroom.

Forest School sessions for 1W will be **Monday 8th September and Monday 15th September.**

It is essential that children come to school in suitable clothes (these should be old as we will be going out in all weathers and will get muddy).

They will need:

- Long trousers are essential not shorts
- Wellies/trainers no sandals
- An old waterproof warm coat
- Jumper
- T-shirt
- Hat
- Gloves
- Jogging bottoms or leggings not jeans
- In addition to suitable clothing, it is necessary for earrings to be removed and long hair tied back.

We look forward to welcoming your child to our Forest School environment where an exciting adventure beckons. If you would like further information, please contact Mrs Clark.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Clark
Forest School Lead