



# FOREST SCHOOL

## AT PORTWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

### What is Forest School?

Forest school is an outdoor, nature-based education approach that focuses on child-led learning in a woodland or natural environment. It encourages hands-on experiences, exploration, and play, fostering children's confidence, creativity, and social skills.



### What do we do?

At Portway Junior School, activities in Forest School often include building shelters, learning about nature, and developing practical skills, all while promoting a connection to the natural world.



### What do the children need?

For forest school, children need clothing that will keep them comfortable and protected in outdoor environments. This typically includes: waterproof clothing, warm layers, long sleeves and trousers and sturdy, waterproof boots or wellies. Dressing in layers helps adjust to changing weather throughout the day.



### When is Forest School?

Forest School follows a three-week rotation schedule. You can find the exact dates for your child's class in the year group newsletter or posted on the classroom door.

**Please remember** that sessions will take place outdoors, regardless of weather, unless conditions are extreme.



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