



MASON MOOR

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Outdoor Learning

Monday 26th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Reception class will be taking part in outdoor learning every Friday afternoon from Friday 1st March 2024. Outdoor Learning is the name we are giving for an approach to educating children in the outdoors on a regular basis. This will support the children's next steps and follow the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) and have a strong emphasis on raising all children's self esteem and independence. Significantly, and on many levels, a woodland environment is central in supporting this very dynamic approach to learning: the passage of time to the change of seasons, the contemplation of the old trees, and the dynamic nature of the outdoors environment- a infinite source of smells, textures, sounds and tastes; a range of visual stimuli from near to far, high to low, very big to very small. These all offer us a deep relationship with trees and woodland through the ages.

Learning Outdoors means that the children are likely to become muddy and or wet as we will be going outside to learn in all weathers – rain or shine. We ask that you provide clothes for outdoor learning which can be kept in school in a material bag on your child's peg.

Clothing for Outdoor Learning

<p>Waterproof Coat</p> <p>This can be their school coat they bring every day or a separate one.</p>	
<p>Waterproof Trousers</p> <p>These go over their school trousers and protect them from the mud and wet.</p> <p><i>If you don't have waterproof trousers an old pair of trousers that you don't mind getting wet and muddy.</i></p>	
<p>Wellington Boots</p> <p>Having Wellington boots enables your child to be fully immersed in outdoor learning.</p>	

Thank you for supporting your child's learning.

Kind Regards,

The Reception Team