

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

We will not go to Forest School if the conditions are deemed dangerous such as in high winds, during thunder storms, or during periods of extreme cold. We will use the Met office online forecast to make judgements about the expected conditions. K Browne (Forest school leader) will ultimately make the decision deeming if the weather is suitable to run an out- door Forest School session.

When it is wet, a shelter will be built immediately by a trained adult so that there is a sheltered area that is available from the start that can be used. Many of our activities can be carried out inside, such as basic tracking tasks, building forest school creatures, mini rafts and so on so no child will miss out if conditions do not allow us to go out into the environment for a short period.

Forest school sometimes uses a caravan as a small learning space which, provides the opportunity to take some outdoor learning inside, this means that participants can continue to learn and develop their skills, bringing projects from the previous session indoors to continue working in them. In the event of inclement weather and the need to use the caravan space, there will be additional tasks provided which tie in with the previous session or the next session to ensure the fluidity of learning.

This is in line with the Health and Safety at work legislation part 2:2e '*Provision and maintenance of a working environment.....as regards facilities and arrangements for their welfare at work*'