

# IBSTONE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that from September we will continue to be offering Forest School sessions. Muddy Mondays are back!

Mrs Bridgen has worked incredibly hard to develop our Forest School area and classroom and has developed a wide range of resources. Please read the attached family information booklet for more information.

From September, Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 will have a Forest School session once a fortnight, Years 5 & 6 will have weekly sessions on a Friday and our Reception children will start their Forest School sessions after October half term (their Forest School day will be confirmed nearer the time and is dependent on the government guidelines at the time).

I have attached a calendar for September and October. Year 3 and Year 4 will have their sessions on Blue weeks (starting Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September). Year 1 and Year 2 will have their sessions on Yellow weeks (starting Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September).

Year 5 & 6 are shown as orange on the calendar and their first session will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Our Year 5 & 6 children should come to school in their base layers. They will need to bring their uniform with them so that they can change into school uniform after their sessions.

You will find the kit list below and in the information booklet:

## Suggested Kit List

- T-shirt/Vest
- A long-sleeved top
- Woolly jumper / fleece
- Old, long trousers (warmer in winter, lighter in summer)
- 2 pairs of warm socks
- Wellies / Snow Boots / Walking Boots
- Waterproof jacket (for every session)
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- Warm hat
- Gloves (waterproof if possible)
- Sunhat
- Sun cream should be applied in sunny weather.

All children will need this kit in school for their session. Please ensure that your child brings in their Forest School kit in an appropriate named bag on the morning of their colour coded session (see calendar). Kit will then be sent home at the end of each session, it could well be quite muddy and wet and may benefit from a wash each week!

As Forest School sessions will start at 9am, please make sure your child is well organised and has their kit with them. It would be a shame for them to miss a session.

If you are having any problems with funding the kit, please come and speak to me directly.

Keep your eyes peeled in Lidl, they often have great waterproof trousers and jackets for under £5 each!

Please read all the documents attached, we will send home a hard copy of the form for you to sign in the first week back at school.

Best wishes,

Louise Long