



Midsomer Norton Primary School

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Exciting Updates to Outdoor Learning at Midsomer Norton Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share some wonderful news regarding our outdoor learning curriculum at Midsomer Norton Primary School. We believe that learning outside the classroom is vital for children's holistic development, fostering resilience, creativity, and a deep appreciation for nature.

To enhance these experiences, we have made some significant improvements to our outdoor facilities:

- **The Woodland Workshop:** We have established a new workshop area within the old Sunbeams building. This allows us to run hands-on, practical activities regardless of the weather.
- **New Forest Shelter:** We have installed a new, permanent shelter in the forest. This provides a base for circle time, story sessions, fire lighting and a dry spot for taking breaks.

What This Means for Your Child

With these new facilities, we will be increasing the frequency of outdoor sessions. To make the most of our forest environment, it is crucial that the children are dressed appropriately to stay warm, dry, and comfortable.

Saturn Class will be having outdoor learning sessions on Monday 27th April, Tuesday 5th May (Year 3 only due to camp), Tuesday 12th and Monday 18th May. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in their outdoor learning clothes on these days.

Please see the clothing requirements below:

- **Base Layers:** Comfortable trousers/leggings and a long-sleeved top.
- **Waterproofs:** A waterproof jacket and waterproof trousers are highly recommended, as we will be going out in most weather conditions.
- **Footwear:** Wellies are best, or sturdy boots/trainers that you do not mind getting muddy.
- **Seasonal Items:** On colder days, please ensure children have hats and gloves.

Having these clothes on upon arrival allows us to maximize our time outside.

We are incredibly excited about these new developments and cannot wait to see the children exploring, creating, and learning in our improved outdoor learning space.

If you have any questions regarding these sessions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Sarah Biss
Head of School