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Dear Parents and Carers

Further to my letter of 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019 to Year 1 parents, Mrs Gidman is hoping to re-start our Forest School programme for children in Year 1 after the Easter break.

Forest Schools is a scheme where children are taken to the woods adjacent to our school to participate in woodwork and natural activities, learning to use tools safely and exploring the woodland environment. **I am sure you will appreciate that this type of activity requires a high level of DBS checked adult support** and whilst I know that some Year 1 parents have already offered to assist and Mrs Gidman is in the process of contacting them, further support is still needed.

The Forest Schools programme offers children an invaluable experience to learn, play and take controlled risks in an outdoor environment. The feedback that has been received over the last few years has shown how much the children enjoy their time in the woods and how it increases their confidence.

This year we are hoping to run our Forest Schools sessions on the following dates :-

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

**If you are able to help between 8.45 and 12.30 or 1-3 on any of these dates then please could you leave your details with the office or see Mrs Gidman by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. If you do not currently have a DBS certificate then this can be arranged very quickly.**

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Kind regards

Fi Dowley

'Learning with love and  
laughter'