



Garlinge Primary School and Nursery

Reception Forest School

Tuesday 26th April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, before Covid, we would regularly send our Reception and Year One children to Forest School, which we have been unable to access during this time. We are pleased to share with you that we are once again able to offer this exciting opportunity to all of our children in Reception. Forest School is based on a Scandinavian concept of embracing the outdoors, giving children and adults a wonderful and rare opportunity to enjoy nature and the outdoors in a safe, secure and hands-on woodland environment all year round and in all weather.

Reception will be attending a 6-week course at the Manor House Forest School Site, based within the grounds of Quex Park, starting on the week beginning the 6th June.

Each class will visit the Forest School for one day per week. Most of the children will be visiting on the same day each week, please see below the day that your child will attend:

Wednesdays: RA and RB

Fridays: RC

The only exception to this will be the week beginning the 4th July when children in RA and RB will not be attending Forest school and instead will catch up their session on **Monday 18th July**.

The cost of the visits will be met in full by the school, and transport will also be provided so that the children will come to, and go home from, school at the normal time each day.

Your child will need a packed lunch for this visit. This can either be provided by the school kitchen or alternatively you may wish to provide them with one from home, please indicate on the consent form your preferred choice. Your child will also need to dress appropriately for the sessions, please see the clothing checklist attached.

We would be grateful if you could click the link below to complete the forest school course consent form by **Friday 6th May**. All our Reception children have educational off-site permission forms completed by yourselves, so we do not require you to complete a separate medical permission slip for the trip.

We are all looking forward to this exciting and unique experience. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely

Miss Barlow
Class RA

Miss Stannard
Class RB

Mr Bentley
Class RC

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