

Claremont Primary School

To parents of Maple Class



8th September 2017

Dear Parents,

Next term, Maple will be taking part in Forest School. This will be a series of sessions running for 5 weeks **starting on: Tuesday 12th September.**

Forest Schools is a process that enables its participants to develop, among other things, their self-awareness and self-confidence by taking children into a woodland environment and asking them to complete a range of activities and skills, with a focus on communication and team building. During the 5 sessions, the children will also be taught a range of bushcraft skills from tree identification, fire lighting, use of various tools, alongside learning a respect for the natural environment.

When taking part in these sessions, we would like to ask that children are appropriately dressed. This should include long sleeves and trousers, old clothes that may get muddy, strong footwear (wellies or hiking boots are perfect) that are secure on their feet (no flip-flops or open-toed shoes).

Should we have a hot period, sun cream and hats will be essential. Likewise, if it is raining, waterproofs are essential as shelter is limited. If the weather is very severe, the session may be cancelled however we would like every session to continue as planned and as safely as possible. Due to the nature of these sessions, if your child does not come with the appropriate attire or attitude, for the interests of their own safety (and that of the group) they may be asked not to take part.

Please complete the form provided and return to Mr Care by Monday 11th September.

Kind regards,

Mr Hogwood

Outdoor Learning Leader

Name:.....

Date of Birth:..... Gender: Male/Female (please delete as appropriate)

Emergency Contact Name:.....Relationship to you:.....

Emergency Contact Tel No.....

Name of your Doctor:Phone:.....

Blood Type & Rhesus Factor (if known).....

For the benefit of the First Aider – has your child had any of the following?

- Allergies of any kind? Yes/No
- Asthma or breathing difficulties? Yes/No
- Diabetes? Yes/No
- Epilepsy, blackouts or fainting attacks? Yes/No
- Heart Condition? Yes/No
- Sensory Loss – sight, speech or hearing? Yes/No
- Vaccination against Tetanus in the last 5 years? Yes/No
- Surgical treatment in the last 3 months? Yes/No

If you have answered Yes, to any of the above, please give details:

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Declaration: I understand that by signing this consent form, I am declaring:

- That my child is of sufficient physical fitness to participate
- I confirm that my child is able to take part in Forest Schools activities in the environment that they are set.
- That I recognise that Forest School activities have an element of personal risk, and however unlikely, the risk can become a reality
- In the event of an accident, I agree to my child receiving immediate first aid by a qualified First Aider
- I agree that Woodland Venture staff have my permission to give consent on my behalf for an anaesthetic and/or blood transfusion to be administered or for any other urgent medical treatment to be given deemed necessary by a medical practitioner.
- That Woodland Venture Forest School and Langton Green Primary School appointed staff or landowner, will not be liable now, or at any time in the future for any loss, expense, damage or claim I may have against them for any damage to my child or property as a result of their participation in these activities.
- I consent to photographs being taken and understand that these may be used by Woodland Venture Forest School for promotional purposes (*Please cross through if you do not consent*).

Signed.....

Name in Caps.....Date:.....