



# FOREST SCHOOL NEWS

We have had snow days, wet days, windy days & cold days but that has not stopped us enjoying Forest School.

Base camp is taking shape and our fire square is in place and has been used to light fires in the Kelly kettle to make hot chocolate & the fire pit to toast marshmallows which everyone enjoyed.



All of our activities are fully risk assessed and the children are learning new skills and looking at hazards and the benefits of taking small risks in learning new skills. Anticipation in watching fire lighting & using the bow saw to cut their own wooden disc from a branch were huge, I hope you like their final product that they designed for Christmas.

As the weather may get colder can you please ensure that your child has hat, gloves & a warm enough waterproof coat as some are quite thin and not offering enough protection.

We have signed up for "The Woodland Trust Green Tree School Awards " (details on their website) and one of our first challenges is to recycle Christmas cards during January, so there will be a box in the hall for children to place their cards when we return in January. The woodland Trust have supplied us with 50 free trees to make a hedge, which we will be planting in the New Year to identify the base camp boundary & provide valuable mini beast habitat as it grows.

Have a festive Christmas ..... Mrs Hazell