



Faith in Ourselves, Hope for the Future, Love for Each Other

KIRK FENTON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

EYFS - Forest School and outdoor learning in Autumn

During any session we look out for and celebrate those children who are **helpful**, **respectful** and **engaged** in the tasks, **responding thoughtfully** to instructions, **modelling safe skills** and being **positive** in competitive aspects like our team games.

The beginning of the Autumn term saw us establish our Forest School Ethos and routines. The children named our Forest School room 'The Inside Out Room'.

We are so proud of the EYFS children who have begun their forest school learning onsite this term. They now have a growing understanding of routines and a respect for themselves and their friends as they prepare for the weather outside.

The children have enjoyed playing lots of sensory game outdoors working together to solve problems like identifying smells and collecting treasures.



The children have supported the 'onsite development' of our outdoor area by creating a willow bird hide so they are camouflaged and can watch the birds that visit our meadow more closely. They have also been responsible for weeding and planting in our vegetable garden.



They have learnt the safe procedures of a fire circle and shared a warm drink made using the Kelly Kettle.



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The children have enjoyed creating tarp shelters and tying knots. Some children were able to tie the figure of 8 knot and some used the overhand knot to secure treasures onto a journey stick.



We have learnt how to use a peeler safely and created a magic wand. We have also learnt the safe way to carry a stick shorter than our arm.

Eggstra !! exciting this term: the children had the opportunity to observe and hold 1-week old chicks. We talked about life cycles and what the chicks needed to survive. We were all very quiet and considerate with our little visitors.



Some of us created our own wooden birds using split logs and very careful hammer and nail action.

This is our outdoor story so far!