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Outdoor Learning – Year 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

All children will again have the opportunity to take part in outdoor learning during this academic year. Year 5 will have outdoor learning in the Autumn 2nd half term.

Each class will have one half term of outdoor learning run by Gemma from Camp Curiosity. Take a look at the website for more information. WWW.CAMPCURIOSITY.CO.UK The class teacher will also be taking part in the sessions. The sessions will take place every Friday starting **Friday 6th November**, with the last session being on **Friday 11th December.**

The sessions will include Environmental Education, nature play, outdoor science, and outdoor art. The children will be actively encouraged to try out new skills, activities, and adventures. Part of the sessions will be for free play and exploration, which is more child-led with the adults as the facilitators of that play, nurturing their curiosity and making sure they put things back after themselves!

We will cook at certain times during the year, and all children will have the chance to do some marshmallow toasting. There will be occasions when we might forage for natural ingredients and use them to cook with i.e. dandelions, hawthorn berries, elderberries, or nettles. Please ensure that you have updated any allergy/dietary requirement with us.

Your child will need to come to school in their own weather appropriate clothing for outdoor learning.

It is important that the children have appropriate "all weather" clothing – the weather will be getting colder, with rain highly likely and the children will be taking part in the sessions in all weathers. A spare pair of socks and legging/joggers are useful to have to change into if necessary.

Below are items that should be named and placed in a named bag for life:

- Waterproof coat with a hood
- Waterproof trousers
- Hat, gloves (no scarfs please but neck warmers are fine)
- **Layers**! More layers are better than one puffy coat so please consider vests, t-shirts, jumpers, fleeces etc, before a waterproof layer.
- Thick warm socks
- Waterproof boots or wellies

If you have any questions, please talk to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,
C Cartwright

Head Teacher