

Year 1 Forest School

Year One had a great morning early in the autumn term, spending the whole morning out on the field participating in forest school activities. Our session began with a nature trail around our school grounds looking at how the plants and trees were changing as summer was turning to autumn. We listened out for the birds and talked about how some birds migrate to warmer places as the weather in England turns colder.

We then all sat together around a fire and watched as the fire was lit using flint and cotton wool. Once the fire was going, we headed to our work stations to begin our outdoor learning. The children moved around a six station carousel. They learned how to weave willow, safely saw wood (to keep the campfire going), whittle sticks, peel and chop vegetables (for our lovely homemade soup pot which was cooking over the fire), get creative with nature by making clay forest folk faces to decorate the outdoors and finally they had to smell socks filled with different herbs!

It was certainly a morning to remember, the weather was kind to us and a wonderful time was had by all. Of course, we finished our session off with a hot chocolate and a sing-a-long back around the fire.

