



# FOREST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Lively Land!

Every child has the opportunity to join us at Forest School as part of a smaller group or when we have been lucky enough to take everyone.

Lively Land is a little piece of woodland between Ramsey Manor Lower School and Arnold Academy. It is full of natural resources complete with lots of trees to climb and even has its own little stream.

This month's activities have included using our Kelly kettle to make hot chocolate, going on a treasure hunt, making a hedgehog house and finally decorating pine cones for our very own Christmas tree!



## Name our Dog!

Can you think of a name for our Singing Dog? We would love to hear the children's suggestions!

## Welcome to our Forest School Newsletter!

A huge thank you for all your Forest School donations this term!

Your contributions have paid for new waterproof suits as well as a cooking set for our Kelly kettle.

We have been able to buy, thanks to you, a fire safety emergency first aid kit and a garden trolley to transport all our equipment so Thank you!

We ask for just £5 a term and would be grateful of your donations in January, Thank you!



## Walking to Lively land

The children love putting on their waterproofs and wellies and embarking on the walk to lively land to start their adventures!



## Meet Cyril the Squirrel!

We have a new Forest School character 'Cyril the Squirrel' as well as our old friends; 'Forest the Dog' and our singing dog who hasn't got a name yet.

Watch out for more photos of them in coming newsletters as they join the children in their Forest School adventures.



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## Forest School Nativity!

We took the children to Lively Land and talked about the Nativity Story together.

We even re enacted it using our Forest School characters!



## Finding the Ducks!

We hunted high and low for our little Christmas Ducks, Can you see them hiding? The children had great fun!



## Feeling Festive!

Kathy and Alison helped the children to make our very own Forest School Wreath which we are sure you have admired outside!

We also made a gorgeous Forest School Christmas Tree which the children helped to decorate. Please feel free to add to it!



## Bird Feeders

The children helped to make some wonderful bird feeders for our resident birdies. We will be putting them out for the birds at Christmas so they have plenty to eat whilst we are away!

## Thank you!

We would like to thank Alison, our Forest School Leader for working her wellies off and providing the children with such a wonderful and fulfilling Forest School Experience.

Thank you also to all of our Parent Helpers who have also donned their wellingtons and joined in the fun. Please feel free to come along and get involved. It is fun but also takes a lot of planning and staffing to go ahead, so just say if you want to join in!

## Spring 2016

Please make sure all children have warm clothes to wear during colder months. This is really important for all outdoor play.

We will be trying some healthy hot snacks to keep the children warm at Forest School and welcome any ideas or suggestions.

Next term we will be practising using tools such as hand drills and bow saws. We will be learning the names of different birds and bugs and continuing to go on nature walks to Lively land as well as around the village.

We will be using our Kelly Kettle to cook popcorn, heat soup, beans, milk and water.

Have a very merry Christmas! We will see you in the Spring!



## Reflecting on Quality

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