

16th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

WOODLAND ACTIVITIES SPRING TERM 2026 FROM W/C 5TH JANUARY 2026

We are excited that your child's class will be learning in the Blackwell woodland during the second half of the Autumn Term. A trained, experienced member of staff will lead these sessions. Your child will have the opportunity to continue to develop their problem solving and collaboration skills through carefully planned weekly sessions, whilst learning how to use tools safely and learning about looking after woodland.

Class	Day	AM/PM
Year 1 Ladybirds	Wednesday	PM
Year 2 Rabbits	Tuesday	PM
Year 3/4 Goldfinches	Wednesday	AM
Year 5 Cedar	Tuesday	AM

Your child will need to be prepared for working in all weather conditions, and we will make the most of the fantastic grounds that the woodland space has to offer. The sessions will run whatever the weather, so it is important that your child is equipped with the right clothes, so that they stay warm, dry and happy. Children will need to take home all items of clothing, including wellingtons, at the end of the day. All clothes, including coat, need to be suitable and able to be covered in mud, paint etc. Expect them to become dirty, and please tell them this is okay!

For these sessions, children must come to school wearing:

-  **Waterproofs – jacket/coat, trousers, wellingtons (or shoes suitable for wet and muddy conditions)**
-  **Long-sleeved tops and trousers/tracksuit bottoms, whatever the weather, as this will stop them being stung by nettles, being scratched etc.**
-  **T-shirt**
-  **Jumper and extra jumper for warmth**
-  **Warm socks and spare socks**
-  **Hair tied back**
-  **Indoor shoes (bring in a bag)**
-  **Water bottle, additional snack** they will need some extra fuel to keep them going
-  **Large bag** that the children can use to take their clothes to and from school
-  In summer: sunhat and sun cream

If you are unable to provide your child with the appropriate wear, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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