

## Churchfields Primary – Forest School

## Curriculum Progression of Skills

	Skills	Activities
Nursery, EYFS & KS 1 (Year 1 only) - ages 4-6	Building, Problem-Solving and Teamwork I can work in a team. I can play team games. I can think about how to solve problems before asking a grown-up for help. I can communicate my ideas to adults and other children. I can work with my team to create a shelter. I can devise a simple map and use basic symbols in a key.	
	Tool Work I can whittle using age-appropriate tools (level entry knife – peeler). I can use a palm drill.	Gnomes Bug Hotel Sundials
	Science/Nature/Environment I can identify and name a variety of wild and garden plants. I can describe the plant structure (including trees). I can identify and name a variety of common animals from amphibians –mammals. I can name sounds that I hear. I can name animals in the environment and group them. I understand the importance of worms within our ecosystem.	Flower/tree/ minibeasts recognition  Hedgehogs  Leaf College/People/ Animals
	Art I can use natural materials to create artwork that I can talk about. I can make clay animals.	Loo Roll Residence  Nature Weave  Spider Webs
	Physical Development/Healthy Lifestyles I know how to travel safely over the terrain in Forest School. I can carry sticks safely. I can talk about how being outside makes me feel. I can describe the benefits of being outside. I know what I need to survive (food, water, air.)	Wormeries Nests and animal homes
	Global Citizenship/Understanding of the World I know why it is important to look after the environment. I understand I have a responsibility to help take care of our local community and the wider world.	

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	Building, Problem-Solving and Teamwork	
	I can use a range of simple knots. I can make and play woodland versions of common games (pick-up sticks, noughts and crosses for example). I can work in a team during wide activities and scavenger hunts. I can build trust with my peers through the activities. I can explain what humans need to survive. I can work with others to research and obtain survival essentials. I can work with a team to build a waterproof shelter using tarpaulins.	
	Tool Work I can whittle using age-appropriate tools. I can use a palm drill. I can make sparks with a fire steel. I can saw wood with support. I can make and tend a fire.	Bug Hotel
	I can tie suitable knots for different purposes.	
2) & Key Stage 2 - Age Groups 6-11	Science/Nature/Environment I can identify deciduous and evergreen trees. I can name some common birds and talk about their features and	Bread
	the sounds they make. I can match tracks and other signs to animals. I can identify and classify things I observe.	Nature
	I can talk about how to encourage wildlife into an area. I can name and identify some trees and wildlife in our grounds by using a simple ID guide.	Tent/shelter building
	I am beginning to know or know the eight points on a compass.  I am developing navigational skills by planning ahead, identifying problems and making decisions.	Weaving
	Art I can sketch trees and plants.	S'Mores
	I can choose shapes in nature and use them to inspire my artwork. I can plan, make and create a decoration. I can use natural shapes and structures to inspire my artwork. I can print using natural materials.	Understanding Habitats
ear	Cooking	Spider Webs
KS1 (Year 2)	can be safe around a fire and explain the fire circle. can light a fire safely with close supervision. can toast a marshmallow on a stick.	Whittling
	I can cook on an open fire with appropriate supervision. I can prepare the fire-lighting equipment and light a fire safely with close supervision.	Fire starting
	Physical Development/Healthy Lifestyles I can describe my flexibility, strength, control and balance when participating in outdoor activities. I can carry equipment around safely. I can take part in outdoor activities and challenges on my own and in a team. I understand and can describe the benefits of being outside.	Communication activities
	Global Citizenship/Understanding of the World	
	I can describe different ways to look after the environment. I understand the different ways we can communicate. I understand why I have a responsibility to help take care of our localcommunity and the wider world.	
	I play an active part in my local community. I can work successfully as a group, having considered and evaluated each members' contributions.	