



QUEENSWAY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

We are excited to be working with Sarah Bytyci of Forest Bees to be able to provide Forest School sessions on the school grounds. This is an exciting opportunity as Forest School has been shown to offer a huge number of benefits to children's development. The attached document will give you some more information about forest school.

Sessions will be on a Friday, commencing **Friday 15th September**.

Fridays	9-10:30am (Reception)	10:30-12 (other year groups)	1-2:30pm (Year 1)
Term 1	KG	3EH	LL/SB
Term 2	ST/AP	3EW	MD
Term 3	KG	2FL	LL/SB
Term 4	ST/AP	2MJ	MD
Term 5	KG (9-10am)	Nursery (10-11)	LL/SB
Term 6	Nursery (9-10am)	ST/AP (10-11)	MD

Clothing: Children will need to bring clothing which is suitable for the weather. The children will be outside for an extended period of time so more layers means they will be more comfortable. Please see the table below for a guide to suitable clothing, this is just a guide, you know your own children and the weather can be unpredictable.

Please note that if your child is in Reception, they may come to school wearing their forest school outfit ready to go straight into their session at 9.00am. They will need to bring their school uniform in a bag to get changed into afterwards.

The school will provide waterproof trousers and jackets.

	Snow/Very cold (Nov - Feb)	Cold (Sept - Oct, March - May)	Mild (April - Sept)	Sunny/Very hot (May - Sept)	Rain (All year!)
Base layer	Thermal top and bottom	Thermal top and bottom	None	None	Depending on temperature
Top layer	Long sleeved t-shirt/ Jumper/Joggers/ leggings - not jeans or shorts	Long sleeved t-shirt/ Jumper/Joggers/ leggings - not jeans or shorts	Long sleeved t-shirt/ Jumper/Joggers/ leggings - not jeans or shorts	Long sleeved t-shirt/ Jumper/Joggers/ leggings - not jeans or shorts	Long sleeved t-shirt/ Jumper/Joggers/ leggings - not jeans or shorts
Additional Layer	Additional jumper/ cardigan/fleece Warm winter coat	Additional jumper/cardigan Winter coat	Additional jumper/cardigan fleece just in case!	None	Depending on temperature
Footwear	Wellies or snow shoes	Wellies	Wellies or trainers NOT sandals or Crocs	Wellies or trainers NOT sandals or Crocs	Wellies
Additional Items	Thin socks Warm welly socks Hat, Gloves, Scarf	Thin socks Warm welly socks Hat, Gloves, Scarf	Sun hat Sun cream	Sun hat Sun cream	Thin socks Warm welly socks Hat, Gloves, Scarf

Other information: The children will be supervised by Sarah Bytyci who is a qualified teacher and Level 3 Forest School leader and at least two other members of Queensway staff. Relevant medical information will be shared with Sarah to ensure the highest level of safety and well-being of all the children. This information will be treated confidentially in accordance with school policy.

If you have any further questions please contact your child's class teacher or Sarah directly
sarah@ForestBees.co.uk

Best wishes

Mrs Sarah Horbury-Jakeman
Head Teacher