



**Acomb First School**  
**Forest Schools Wednesday Overview**  
**Reception - Autumn 2021**



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**Schedule**

Below is a brief outline of the activities of each session. However, following the ethos of Forest School, the content may change depending on the needs & interests of the children and changes in weather. For the children to get the most out of these sessions we will be flexible e.g. snow, rain activities will over ride planned activities if deemed appropriate.

Date	Activities/Focus	Skills	Child Led	Evaluation
08.09.21	Introduction to rules Team games - spot, creeping coyote, Making pictures of themselves using natural finds	Team work Observation		
15.09.21	Finding soft toys in the woods. Talk about hibernation. Who does it and why? Making hibernation dens for the soft toys Cooking on the fire - marshmallow sandwiches	Forest school rules Understanding of hibernation team work fire safety Observation		
22.09.21	<b>Fairies - Chelsea Flower Show (21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>)</b> find a letter from the fairies asking for help to make a garden for a competition. Talk about the Chelsea flower show	Transporting sticks safely Motor skills Imagination		
29.09.21	<b><u>Signs of Autumn</u></b> Team games - spot, creeping coyote Scavenger/autumn hunt, Kim's game, leaf and nut sorting Fire cooking - cinnamon apples	Understanding characteristics of seasons Observations Fire safety		
06.10.21	<b>Space Week (4<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>)</b> Imagine that they have just landed from another planet in the woods. How would they describe	Imagination moving safely communication Using tools safely		

	<p>it? would it feel safe or scary. Go for a walk through the woods looking for clues of life. Making Journey sticks ( use peelers to take the bark off)</p>			
13.10.21	<p><u>Leaf rainbows and snakes</u> Leaf ID Sorting leaves into different colours (paint pallet) Using mud to make leaf snakes and rainbows on trees and branches. Leaf threading. Fire cooking - banana with choc buttons</p>	<p>Leaf ID Fine motor skills Understanding characteristics of seasons Transporting sticks safely Fire safety Encouraging imagination</p>		
20.10.21	<p><u>Book - Stanley's stick</u> What can they make with sticks? Dream catchers, use peelers on sticks team game - who can make the longest line of sticks?</p>	<p>Working as a team fine motor skills Encouraging imagination Using tools safely</p>		
03.11.21	<p><u>Festivals of Light</u> Firework pictures, diva lamps Fire - cooking bonfire toffee apples</p>	<p>Fire safety Understanding festivals Fine motor skills Understanding characteristics of seasons</p>		
10.11.21	<p><b>Children in Need (13<sup>th</sup> Nov)</b> using leaves to colour in Pudsey bear Fire cooking - Pudsey Pancakes</p>	<p>Fire safety Understanding festivals Fine motor skills</p>		
17.11.21	<p><b>Winter twig ID</b> - find different twigs using twig id cards. Making a fence.</p>	<p>Transporting sticks safely Encouraging imagination</p>		
24.11.21	<p><b>Framing nature</b> using magnifying glasses. How do they help us? How does it make things look different? How do</p>	<p>Fine motor skills Encouraging imagination</p>		

	<p>artists show pictures? Frames.</p> <p>- work together to make a frame from bamboo sticks or sticks found in the wood and decorate with ribbons and wool. Where is the best place to put it? What can you see through the frame?</p>			
01.12.21	<p><u>Book - Stones</u></p> <p>Collecting and Decorating stones, stone sculptures</p>	<p>Fine motor skills</p> <p>Transporting stones and rocks safely</p>		
08.12.21	<p><b>Elf Day</b></p> <p>Find a letter from an elf needing help in the woods. Some of the elf houses have fallen down, can they build some? They also need an area cleared and tidy in case the sleigh needs to land</p> <p>Fire cooking- spiced apple juice</p>	<p>Fire safety</p> <p>Understanding festivals</p> <p>Imagination</p> <p>Team work</p>		
15.12.21	<p><b>National Robin Day (21<sup>st</sup> Dec)</b></p> <p>Read the story of how the robin got its red breast.</p> <p>Go on a robin hunt. Find out facts about robins. Making bird feeders and robins from wood slices and pinecones.</p>	<p>Observation</p> <p>Fine motor skills</p> <p>tool safety</p>		

**Mrs Gray will be overseeing activities and watching the fire.**