

Progression of Skills – Forest School

Skills	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Shelter Building	Create a tarpaulin shelter in a woodland Work successfully as a group, having considered and evaluated each members' contributions Compare and evaluate the shelters in relation to their sturdiness, durability, weatherproofing and whether it is fit for purpose	Design and build varying sized shelters using tarpaulin and materials found in a woodland Work successfully as a group, having considered and evaluated each members' contributions Compare and evaluate the shelters in relation to their sturdiness, durability, weatherproofing and whether it is fit for purpose	Create a tipi shelter with camouflage Work successfully as a group, having considered and evaluated each members' contributions Compare and evaluate the shelters in relation to their sturdiness, durability, weatherproofing and whether it is fit for purpose	Shelter building challenge – working in teams the children plan, build and review their shelters (recap the different ways to build shelters) Work successfully as a group, having considered and evaluated each members' contributions Compare and evaluate the shelters in relation to their sturdiness, durability, weatherproofing and whether it is fit for purpose
Geographical skills and navigation	Demonstrate understanding of the concept of a basic map Navigate your way around a simple orienteering course	Recognise features and symbols on the map Understand how to orientate the map	Use the eight points of a compass and four figure grid references Develop expertise in the orienteering skills of orienteering a map,	Use the eight points of a compass, four figure grid references, symbols and key Further develop navigational skills by planning ahead,

	Understand the term	Demonstrate understanding	following a course, and	identifying problems and
	'orientate' a map	of a line orienteering course(short loop)	recognition of relevant map symbols	making decisions
	Complete a simple			Learn to balance speed and
	orienteering activity in	Build trust with a partner	Demonstrate an	accuracy
	pairs/groups	and work together when	understanding of the	
		orienteering	relationship between pacing	Set, read and follow a
	Record information		and distance	bearing
	accurately and neatly			
			Plan a short loop course for	Combine map readying and
	Follow rules when		another pair to follow	compass skills
	completing an orienteering			
	activity		Improve confidence in map	Successfully undertake an
			reading and the transfer of	orienteering competition
			information from map to	
			ground	
			Apply skills of orienteering	
			including route choice and	
			symbol recognition	
			symbol recognition	
			Plan the most efficient route	
			so that the course is	
			completed in the quickest	
			time	
Play/Exploration/Discovery	Take part in outdoor	Play woodland versions of	Orienteering with a OS map	Create a time capsule
time	challenges on own and in a	games		
	team			
		Work as a team during		
	Climb a tree	scavenger hunts		
	Mala a sandhi	Malagastal		
	Make something out of	Make a sculpture		
	wood	Nales un veux en manages and		
	Cook outdoors	Make up your own game and		
	Cook outdoors	teach it to someone		

		Treasure hunt		
Using Tools	In KS2 children will develop	In Key Stage 2 children will	In Key Stage 2 children will	In Key Stage 2 children will
	their skills when using a	develop their skills when	develop their skills when	develop their skills when
	range of tools. Tools will only	using a range of tools. Tools	using a range of tools. Tools	using a range of tools. Tools
	be used when the children	will only be used when the	will only be used when the	will only be used when the
	are physically, mentally and	children are physically,	children are physically,	children are physically,
	socially ready to do so	mentally and socially ready	mentally and socially ready	mentally and socially ready
		to do so. Children's ability to	to do so. Children's ability to	to do so. Children's ability to
		use tools will develop at	use tools will develop at	use tools will develop at
		different ages	different ages	different ages
		Loppers		
		Secateurs		
		Knives for whittling		
Knots	More sophisticated use of	More sophisticated knots for	Shelter hitches and knots	More complex knots and
	knots for attaching to	attaching to structures and		selecting the correct knot for
	structures and trees	trees	More complex knots and	a job
			selecting the correct knot for	
	Lashing and frapping frames	Independent use of lashing	a job	
	and dual structures	and frapping techniques		
	Example - Cow hitch,			
Using Fire for Cooking	Light a fairy fire and keep it	Roast food on a fire with	Cooking on a camp fire (roast	Prepare and light a campfire
	going	support	food)	with supervision
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			Make and tend a fire safely	