



WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
AND NURSERY

Words from the Wildwood

Forest School Newsletter April 2024

Forest School News

There are signs of Spring in the Wild Wood; the horse-chestnut tree is budding and there are tiny leaves on many of the other trees. Y2 enjoyed using our forest school area and through careful management of their friendship groups, had a productive time. Y3's time in the Wild Wood was short, however with much encouragement, achieved a great deal.

Spring 1 – Year 2

Year 2 made various dens with sticks, tarpaulins and various woodland materials, enjoyed using the swings and engaged in role-playing games. They used a bill hook and a mallet, to split logs, ready to be burned on our campfire later in the term.

They learnt how to gather up and stow our ropes neatly and made woodland homes for little people.

They also collected firewood to burn on our small campfire and took great delight in roasting a marshmallow and eating s'mores.

Spring 2 - Year 3

Year 3 played a number of group games and learnt how to make an origami bird.

The children enjoyed playing with the swings that I created for them and with some support, started to create their own swings (in groups).

The children also enjoyed, collecting fire wood, building a fire and keeping the fire going by carefully adding wood to it. They also consumed food that had been cooked on the fire.



Rope Work (Y2)



Den Building (Y2)



Little homes for little people (Y2)



Origami Bird (Y3)



Playing on the swing (Y3)



Making swings of their own (Y3)