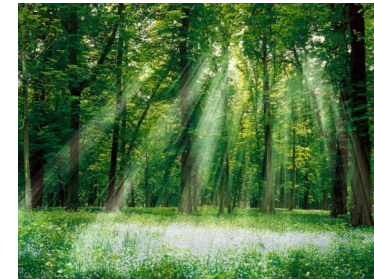


Cloverbank Nursery

Forest Kindergarten



This leaflet tells you of the various ways we have of keeping you informed about our Forest Kindergarten initiative.

If you would like to be involved and join us at any of the Forest Kindergarten sessions you will be made very welcome.

Here at Cloverbank Nursery we are very fortunate to have such a wonderful outdoor learning environment and children spend a lot of their time outdoors enjoying a variety of learning experiences.

Forest Kindergarten supports the children's learning in many areas of Curriculum for Excellence within the outdoor environment providing a variety of activities using natural resources. The benefits to children are vast including enhancing their communication skills working with others to problem solve and plan.

Gill Farmer is our Forest Kindergarten Leader in Learning.

Forest Kindergarten 'Day' will be every Monday initially, morning and afternoon sessions, but we hope to increase this to two days per week.

Each child will have the opportunity to be part of a group of up to twelve children and each group will have at least one block of 4-6 weeks.

The children will be outdoors for the full length of their session, the only exception will be if the weather is particularly inclement.

We have games that support the outdoor learning For example 'Sticky Feet' to gather the group together, Incy Wincy Spiders web making with string is a popular team game and many more. The children also create their own rhyming songs as we work.

The learning experiences will be very much child led and will vary from den building, using ropes to create swings, water slides, wood whittling and fire building.

We will let you know when your child's 'block' starts and you will be invited to come along, if you can, and join us for as many of the sessions as you would like to therefore providing you with the ideas to use yourself outwith Nursery.

