



Our Second Woodland Session

Once again, we have experienced another amazing session in our wonderful woodland, with the lovely woodland Julie.

In the morning, Year 1 explored the area. They participated in lots of wonderful things, such as:

- Learning how to use mallets safely, some children decided to make the most amazing den by hammering in each post into a circle.
- Using their creativity to make snails using clay, sticks and shells. They also made a giant poppy from leaves for our 1 minute silence in aid of Remembrance Sunday.
- Helping to help to plant willow to 'soften' our pond area and for future use in the woodland.
- Sorting all of our 'mess' into 'waste' and 'useful' piles.
- Exploring our new mud kitchen which is currently under development.

In the afternoon it was Year Four's turn. Their activities included:

- Learning how to use bow saws and hand drills.
- Making 'bug snugs' by creating their own tripods and creating habitat piles underneath
- Searching for insects and bugs on their minibeast hunts.
- Leaf stamping
- Working as a team to transport large materials to build forts.

Our forest trained consultant Julie even commented:

"I had the best day. One of the best year fours I have ever taught and I don't say that lightly! Engaged, motivated, creative, engineering and team building. I witnessed it all. True forest school at it's best."

I to witnessed it and it was a pleasure to see!



