



## Leadgate Primary School

### Forest School Information to Parents/Carers and Consent Form

Dear Parents/Carers,

Leadgate Primary School has developed an onsite Forest School to give children the unique opportunity of experiencing first hand, play and learning in a controlled outdoor environment. Forest School is the name for an approach to educating children in the outdoors on a regular basis. This work will support the main curriculum and will have a strong emphasis on raising all children's self-esteem and independence.

Throughout your child's time at Leadgate they will be offered opportunities to participate in activities in our Forest School area. Parents/Carers will be notified when their child will be taking part in Forest School and will be advised on appropriate clothing required.

We have risk assessments and policies in place, which you are welcome to read through as well as our Forest School Handbook. These are held at our school office.

Should you require any further information or would like to ask any questions, please feel free to contact me.

To ensure we hold the correct information, please read and sign the following statements on the next page (please tick the appropriate box).

Thank you,

Miss Fisher

Forest School Lead

#### **Mission Statement**

Through our visits to our Forest School, the children in school will instil a love of the great outdoors. Inspirational, stimulating, hands on experiences will develop self-esteem, confidence and responsibility. The use of the woodland setting, the various tools and the natural resources will bring learning to life, creating an understanding of the balance of nature and the infinite resources around us.





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Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to my child taking part in activities such as; craftwork, tool use, rope use, fire lighting, den building, campfire cooking, tree, plant and insect studies and other related activities at age appropriate levels. [  ]

I do not agree to my child taking part in activities such as; craftwork, tool use, rope use, fire lighting, den building, campfire cooking, tree, plant and insect studies and other related activities at age appropriate levels. [  ]

Activity details and risk assessments can be found at the school office.

I agree to my child using equipment and tools necessary for the activity at age appropriate levels. [  ]

I do not agree to my child using equipment and tools necessary for the activity at age appropriate levels. [  ]

Tool details and risk assessments can be found at the school office.

As an additional precaution, we are required to ask you details about allergies and insect stings.

My child has never been stung by a wasp [  ] bee [  ]

My child has been stung by a wasp [  ] bee [  ] and made a normal recovery.

My child has been stung by a wasp [  ] bee [  ] and had an allergic reaction.

If you ticked this last box, we will get in touch with you to get further details.

I give permission for my child to have insect repellent applied when necessary [  ]

I do not give permission for my child to have insect repellent applied when necessary [  ]

**Please read further details over this page.**



I can confirm that the medical information I have supplied to the school is fully up to date [ ]

My child has the following food allergies/allergies;

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that a strict code of practice for working with children will be followed and all activities will be risk assessed and I will be informed of any extra details of activities that are out of the ordinary pattern.

I understand that I may need to provide appropriate clothing for my child to participate in Forest School activities and will be notified in advance.

I understand that the Forest School Leader reserves rights to exclude children from activities due to inappropriate clothing as a health and safety precaution.

You have the right to withdraw/change consent at any time; you can do this by ringing the school office on 01207 610355 or emailing your request to [p2259.admin@durhamlearning.net](mailto:p2259.admin@durhamlearning.net)

Consent remains valid for the time your child is in school unless it is withdrawn.

Withdrawal of consent only applies from the date it is withdrawn.

I, parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of child) can confirm that I have read and understood the above information and ticked the appropriate boxes for consent.

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_