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*'Enjoyment, Achievement, and Learning for life...'*

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Dear Parents / Carers,

### Outdoor Learning /Forest School Experience

Caterpillars have booked the week 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018; so we ask that named wellington boots (with a peg to keep them together) or suitable named waterproof footwear and a warm waterproof coat can be kept in Caterpillars for that week, so that children can access the great outdoor fun whatever the weather.

| Caterpillars | Morning                                            | Afternoon |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
|              | 24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 |           |

### Medical Information / Dietary Information

Please can you make sure that your child has an inhaler, if required, and that it is brought to school and handed directly to the teacher. It is essential to inform Caterpillars staff if your child cannot eat certain foods

### Suitable Clothing- Please do not feel pressured to go out and buy anything especially for this event (no matter what the children say!)

Inevitably, our children will get muddy, wet and dirty as well as cold! To ensure that the children are sufficiently protected from the weather and the forest environment we require children to be wearing appropriate clothing and footwear. Clothing will get muddy so old home clothes are required. We require children to have long sleeves and long trousers in both winter and summer. This is particularly important in the summer to protect from tick bites, sun burn, stinging nettles and thorns.

Winter Clothing: The general rule is to wear lots of layers which keep in the heat and can be removed if needed.

Children require:

- Warm hat
- Gloves not mittens
- Vest
- Long sleeved t shirt/shirt
- Jumper/fleece
- Waterproof coat
- Waterproof trousers (not jeans)
- Wellies with warm socks /walking boots

### Activities

Without spoiling the magic and excitement for the pupils, all activities have been planned and risk assessed.

Kind regards  
Val Sian