Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to announce that Primary Forest School & Outdoor Education will be delivering Forest school sessions to your child’s class at St Gregory’s Primary. Mrs Harding is looking forward to welcoming you to the Forest School site!

**Hedgehogs your Forest School day will be: Wednesday Morning**

Your child will have the opportunity to explore, play and learn in an outdoor environment. During sessions they will cover a variety of topics including woodland skills, seasonal topics, den building, fire lighting and safety to mention a few! Occasionally, we may include food to the sessions such as marshmallows so **please do inform your leader or school if your child has any dietary requirements or if you’d like the them to opt out of food tasting activities.**

Luckily, our forest school session will be taking place outside however, during your child’s forest school session we will encourage the appropriate COVID measures in accordance with the government and school policies. If you would like any further information about our provisions particularly during the current climate please take a look on our website at [www.primary-forest-school.co.uk](http://www.primary-forest-school.co.uk)

A key aspect of Forest School is experiencing the site in all safe weather conditions including rain! The programme runs all year round and depending on weather conditions, there is a possibility **your child will get muddy or wet**! In order for your child to participate in the forest school adventures, please can you ensurethe following items are present in school for **every session**:

* **Wellies** or appropriate outdoor footwear with a spare bag for after
* A **change of clothes** (suitable to get muddy)
* A warm **jumper and coat**
* **Waterproofs** (coat and trousers are advised)
* **Sun hat/ sun cream** (if applicable)

We ask that you complete the attached GDPR images form and return to school at your earliest convenience.

Kind Regards,

Ellen Blackwood - Director

**GDPR – Use of Images and Data**

Primary Forest School & Outdoor Education is contracted to work within your child’s primary school to provide quality Forest School or Sports provision, both during curriculum time and outside of the normal school day with extra-curricular clubs and activities and at holiday camps during school holiday periods.

From time to time we would like to take photographs/videos relating to the above learning opportunities and activities which we may use in the following ways:

* To share with your child’s school
* To share on our website and/or social media platforms
* To share with local press and other outlets
* To promote Primary Forest School & Outdoor Education to other educational establishments
* To aid with our CPD provision when delivering training to other professionals e.g. teachers

Please be assured that images will not contain the names of any children and will be focused on the activities they are taking part in. No images will be shared with third parties.

Due to GDPR laws, we must have explicit permission to be able to use any images in the ways described. We would be grateful if you could complete the form below to let us know if you are happy for your child’s image to be used in such ways.

Kind regards

Ellen Blackwood – Director

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Name of child: **St Gregory’s Primary – Hedgehog Class**

I give permission for Primary Forest School & Outdoor Education to use photographs or videos which contain images of my child within a professional context. I understand that these images will not be shared with any third parties. ❑

I **do not** wish my child’s image to be used by Primary Forest School & Outdoor Education. ❑

Signed: Name: