



FOREST SCHOOL

Class 5 Week 1



Our first week was spent in the school garden. We had 5 tasks to complete....

...But before we could start we were introduced to our group names and put into our groups– this was based on a book called 'The Lost Words' by J. Morris & MacFarlane.

Heron

Adder

Newt

Otter

Task 1 – Science focus



The science focus for this week was thinking about 'living...dead...and non-living'- what does this mean?

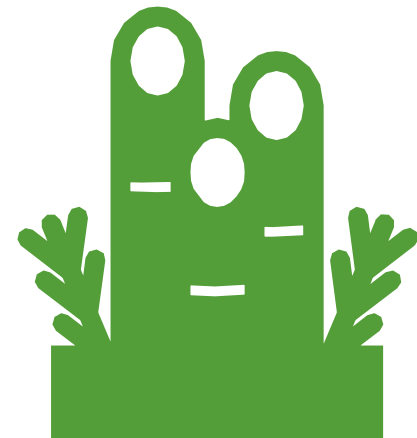


We went around the garden to find different things and places them into each category. We all know that living things **GROW**.
'BREATHE' and need **FOOD**.



Task 2 – Art focus, making Autumn Mobiles

In our groups and with help from Neville and Barry we used natural materials to make Autumn mobiles. We went around the garden to collect some different materials, we even learnt how to 'leaf thread'! Come over to the garden to see our fantastic work.



Task 3 – Making crumble

One of the tasks that we enjoyed a lot was making pear and blackberry crumble. Using the pears collected from trees around school we carefully used tools – knives and graters- to make the crumble. We were very much looking forward to eating it at the end of the day.



Task 4 – Art Focus

Inspired by the work of Andy Goldsworthy we linked this to our book 'The Lost Words' and we were 'challenged' to make a large-scale picture of our animal using leaves and natural materials. We looked closely at the picture and focused on the detail. Can you guess the animal?



Task 5 – ICT focus



- With the help of two adults we were able to use the i-pads. In our groups we took photos of the different flower, trees and leaves around school. Next week we will learn how to use 'Pic-collage' and make a collection using these photos.

In the afternoon...

We had the chance to make our own clay tiles. We moulded our piece of clay into the correct shape. Using different natural materials from around the garden like leaves and pine cones we pressed down into clay to make a print. We found out that the leaves with the thickest veins made the best impression.



As well as this ...



We made our own nature bags to collect different objects throughout our upcoming forest school sessions.



Neville showed us how to make our own 'rain storm' using our fingers, hands and feet.



We read some of the poems from the 'Lost Words' book.



We also went on an autumn scavenger hunt around the garden to find different things to do with Autumn.

And finally...

We came back onto the decking and thought about all the lovely learning that took place during our first session. We made up the first verses of our forest school song. And of course it was time to try our scrumptious pear and blackberry pie. It was yummy!!