

ASHCROFT INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL Mildenhall, Tamworth, B79 8RU 'Providing the best start in life for all children'

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<u>Our Forest School intent</u>

We believe everyone should have regular, long term access to natural environments that provides them with enriching and empowering outdoor experiences where learning can take place.

Forest School encourages a learner centred approach, where students learn through selfdirected play and exploration.

This play and exploration encouraged their curiosity and empathy, helps to develop their creativity, and increases their self-esteem, confidence, communication skills and knowledge of the natural environment, including the important ability to assess risk.

Forest School impact

Forest School has an impact on the whole child's health, education and well-being

Physical Education	Science	Personal, social, Emotional, Health Development
 Balance Strength Fine motor skills – tying Knots etc. Gross motor skills – lifting climbing Coordination Dance 	 Weather Seasons Growth and decay Plants Animals Habitats Senses materials 	 resilience Risk taking Cooperation Collaboration and team work Independence Self esteem confidence
Literacy and language new vocabulary speaking and listening reference books – information books 	Art and design and music Creativity Imagination Joining materials	 Measure Estimation Comparison – sizes
 spotter sheets role-play writing lists - mud kitchen recipe 	 Musical instruments – natural percussion Singing Religious Education 	Problem solvingSorting and ordering
	Spiritual, Moral, Social and cultural • Awe and wonder • New life • Wonderful world • Creatures • Caring for the environment	

HEADTEACHER: Mrs Jayne Fellows Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Eluned Lane

