This is a very exciting time for East Preston Infant School!

Who thinks they know what a 'Forest School' is?

On Monday while you were all tucked away warm we were in the woods!!

It was a wet day but we all had lots of fun. We thought it would be nice to share with you what we did.



We had to collect different sizes of wood.

This is Mike and he showed us how to build a campfire.



We piled up the wood starting with the thickest pieces at the bottom.





What shape is this pile?





Mike filled a bucket with water and kept it by the fire.





Why do you think he did this?

He also had one of these. Does anyone know what it is?



At the beginning of the day we were all dry.



We were shown how to light the fire. We had to use a flint and steel





We had to use cotton wool and dip it in Vaseline. We then had to use the flint and steel to light it and place it on a piece of bark.





We were then able to have a go ourselves.











Mrs Wheatley got very excited!



We then had to carefully carry our bark with the flame on it and use a stick to push it in to the pile of wood.







Then we had a campfire!



By this point we were still dry and a little warmer!!



We were all very proud of ourselves.

Mrs Rickard was dressed very warm.



When the fire got going Mike put the kettle on.





We all had a cup of tea and a biscuit!









I'll have a cup of tea and did someone say a biscuit!



After we made some shelter and did some sawing it was lunch time. Mrs Miller loves to cook!



We were all a little wet and our eyes were watering with the smoke.

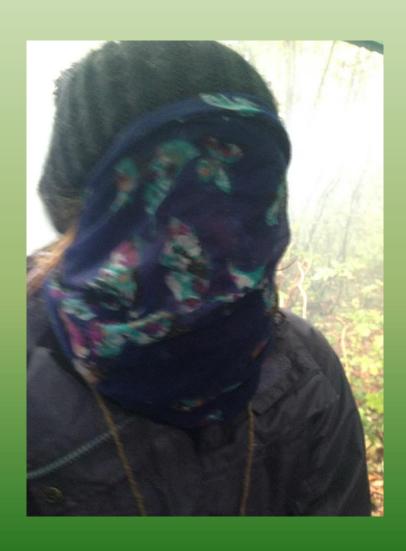




Do you know why it was so smoky?

So some people found a way to protect their eyes.

Can you guess who they are?



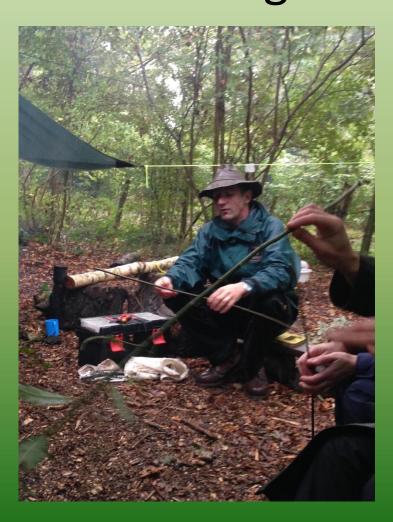








After lunch we went in to the woods to find some Willow. We did some whittling.



As a treat we toasted some marshmallows in the fire.



Mrs New toasted 2 at a time!!

We then had to put the fire out. As we all helped to light the fire it was only fair that we all help to put it out.









Even though it was very wet we all had a good time.

We cant wait to show you all the things we learnt.

