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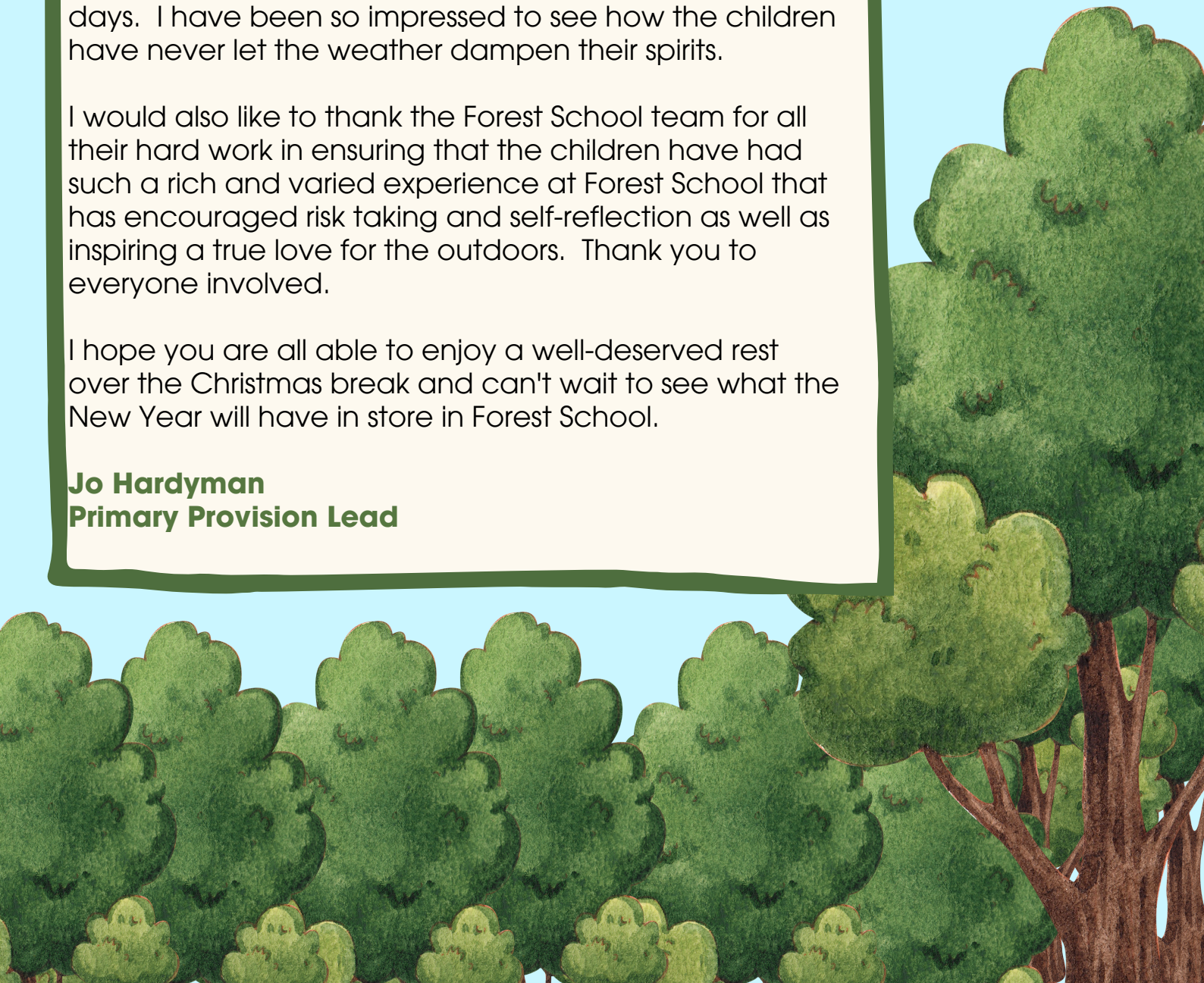
December 2025

It has been another fantastic term at Forest School with the children working collaboratively and challenging themselves every week. They have had the opportunity to complete some fantastic projects including orienteering in the woods, making bows and arrows and whittling tent pegs. All of this has been completed in all weathers and with the change from warm end of summer days to some very damp and cold autumnal days. I have been so impressed to see how the children have never let the weather dampen their spirits.

I would also like to thank the Forest School team for all their hard work in ensuring that the children have had such a rich and varied experience at Forest School that has encouraged risk taking and self-reflection as well as inspiring a true love for the outdoors. Thank you to everyone involved.

I hope you are all able to enjoy a well-deserved rest over the Christmas break and can't wait to see what the New Year will have in store in Forest School.

Jo Hardyman
Primary Provision Lead

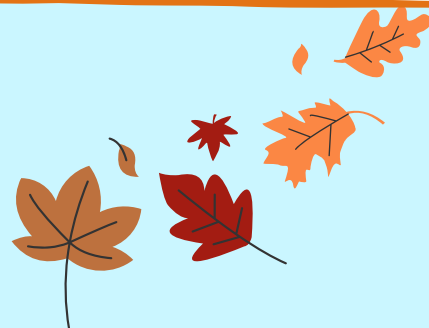




AN AUTUMN TERM FULL OF ADVENTURE AND DISCOVERY



This autumn term has been absolutely packed with exciting adventures and hands on learning! Our pupils have been busy exploring the great outdoors and trying lots of new activities. They have built survival shelters to keep warm and dry, created wormeries and bug hotels to look after tiny creatures and even learned how to whittle tent pegs safely. We have had fun sawing wood, splitting logs and working with clay to make creative designs.



The children have also made their own bows and arrows, gone on woodland walks to identify different trees and taken part in orienteering challenges in the big woods. Around the campfire, they've cooked delicious treats like pumpkin brownies and damper bread and crafted little firefighters out of pine-cones. One of the highlights was learning how to light a fire and keep it going safely – a real survival skill!

There is been plenty of climbing and exploring too, with tree climbing adventures and lots of time spent connecting with nature. Alongside all these practical skills, we have talked about important themes such as survival, friendship, feelings and being the very best version of ourselves. To help everyone feel calm and happy, we have made glitter bottles, enjoyed barefoot sensory walks and created spaces for relaxation.

It's been a term full of teamwork, creativity, and confidence-building – and we can't wait to see what exciting challenges the next term will bring!

Mrs Smith, Mrs Hollies & Mr Castle



