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Dear Parents

Thank you to everyone who donated their Green Redeem points, we are very pleased to inform you that we finished with an amazing 282,133 points and were in second place overall. We have therefore secured £1000 worth of funding. This money will cover the cost of waterproof trousers for every child and other forest school equipment including a Kelly kettle, cord, tarpaulins for den building and some mallets. We are also looking to purchase a water carrier, knives for whittling and another pull along trolley.

The Forest School also has ongoing costings which include hot chocolate for every child in every session, marshmallows and other snacks e.g. bacon sandwiches! We also regularly purchase rope, cords, string and other disposable materials.

We would like to say a huge thank you on behalf of all the staff and children to the Sines Family who have kindly donated a wonderful outdoor kitchen for the outdoor mud kitchen area.

Can you help?

On Saturday 27th January from 10.00 am -3.00 pm we are looking for volunteers to help clear an area in the Forest School which is overrun with brambles, debris, (including half of a telegraph pole!) and logs. This area is out of bounds for the children at the moment and we would like to clear and make it safe as it is a great space. It is on a bank so we would also need some help to either create some sort of safe slope/banking or creatively build in some steps of some description.

We are very open to any ideas and helpers! If you have any garden tools (not power tools), experience or just enthusiasm then we would really welcome your support. We would really like somebody with experience to project lead on the day as well as a number of bodies to help. If you would like to project lead, then please come and see either Mrs Summers or Mrs Aplin prior to the date so that we can show you the area and discuss our thoughts.

Although trained in forest school, we lack the experience of landscaping and so would really appreciate your help and talent!

We have stuck a sheet on the window outside the office, please could we ask you to sign up if you are able to help for some or all of the time on that Saturday.

With thanks

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Summers and Mrs Aplin
Forest School Teachers**

