

20<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

<https://parkheadprimary.westlothian.org.uk>

### **P4a Forest Skills 8 Week Programme**

We are thrilled to announce that our outdoor learning curriculum is expanding. Starting on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026 your child's class will be participating in an immersive 8 week forest skills programme.

This programme is designed to build confidence, resilience and teamwork through hands-on experiences in nature. Pupils will engage in activities such as shelter building, biodiversity studies and tool use, all while developing a deeper connection with the environment. Pupils will be utilising our extensive grounds but also venturing further afield to the local community garden.

Mr Wood will be leading these sessions. Mr Wood is currently working towards becoming a forest skills practitioner and is following an extensive accredited professional training course with Forest Schools Scotland.

We'll be heading outdoors rain or shine on the undernoted dates listed below. Please make sure your child comes to school every Wednesday from 29<sup>th</sup> April with appropriate outdoor clothing, alongside boots or wellies and waterproofs. A change of clothes is also a great idea!

We will be heading off school grounds for a lot of the sessions therefore your child will need a completed EE2. The EE2 for the 8 sessions can be found in your Parent Portal account so please complete that when you have a moment. If you are not yet a Parent Portal user then we strongly advise that you sign up, however in the meantime we can provide you with a paper copy EE2 which you will need to complete, sign and return to the school in time for the first session on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Outdoor learning session dates are as follows:-

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2026  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026

If you need any further information, please contact the school office.

Kind regards



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Head Teacher