



# Godfrey Ermen Memorial School Forest School 2018-19



Wrapped up warm in Winter!



Great team work!

Throughout the year, Y3 – Y6 pupils from Godfrey Ermen Memorial School, Eccles, have been attending Forest School every week.

In an era of tight educational budgets, we were very grateful to receive funding for this intervention from Salford CVS through the Healthy Schools Fund. The sessions were led by Judith Bocock from 'Incredible Education' and as can be seen in the photographs, the pupils have experienced the joy of the 'Great Outdoors' throughout the year, in all weather!

At Godfrey Ermen, we embrace 'PRIDE' values in all that we do. This acronym represents **P**ersonal excellence, **R**espect, **I**nnovate, **D**etermination and **E**quality. Forest School gave our pupils invaluable opportunities to develop all the PRIDE values, whilst also being a really enjoyable experience!



**INCREDIBLE  
EDUCATION**

*"Unearthing potential, nurturing success."*



"I made a spark!"



Making a 'Winter Wish!'

"Forest School has been a great experience for my child – she came bouncing home after it and was so excited to tell me what she had been up to! It is a wonderful thing to do!"

*Parent feedback*



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The biggest den ever!



Sharing hot chocolate!

At Forest School, our pupils had the chance to achieve PERSONAL EXCELLENCE in their new skills and knowledge. They developed RESPECT in their teamwork and also in respecting the natural environment. They were inspired to be creative and INNOVATIVE – ‘thinking outside the box!’ They showed DETERMINATION in completing tasks and EQUALITY in their inclusion with lots of different children in various groupings.

The pupils learned new skills in the outdoor environment, such as den building, whittling wood, cooking on a campfire and enjoyed sharing hot chocolate! At the end of the sessions, we invited parents and carers to a celebration event and family workshop – to build capacity for further enjoyment in the natural environment.

For all our children, Forest School has really increased their confidence, self-esteem and ability to work as a team. They have gained a sense of belonging to the wider community and a feeling of responsibility for the environment. Finally, as can be seen in the photographs, Forest School made our children really happy!

Thank you to Judith Bocock at Incredible Education and Salford CVS for making our Forest School sessions possible.

*Gillian Stanger, Deputy Headteacher*



A fun family event!

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