



Bursley Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to inform you that we will be introducing outdoor learning sessions to our curriculum. Starting after the half term, pupils in Nursery (Miss Fallows), Year 1 (Miss Wilkes class) and Year 3 (Miss Birks class) will be taking part in outdoor learning sessions every Monday (weather dependent). We will be calling these sessions 'Muddy Monday'.



This initiative is designed to help children develop important skills outside the traditional classroom setting, such as problem-solving, teamwork, creativity, and resilience. These sessions will involve various activities such as nature walks, team challenges, environmental projects, and other hands-on learning experiences that will complement the subjects they are currently learning.

Key Details:

- **When:** Every Monday starting 3rd March 2025.
- **Who:** As this is something new that we are introducing, only our 3 classes will take part first. We are looking to roll it out across the school if these sessions are successful.
- **Where:** In our outdoor learning space on the field.
- **What to Wear:** Pupils will need to wear suitable clothing. Children can come to school in their PE kits as normal. They need to make sure they come to school with a **waterproof coat**. Please can all children bring a pair of **wellies that can stay at school**.
- **Safety:** All sessions will be closely supervised by staff members. All the activities are designed to be safe and appropriate for the age group.

We believe that learning outdoors offers our pupils valuable opportunities to connect with nature, enhance their wellbeing, and engage in active learning that's both fun and educational. We hope you will support this exciting addition to our curriculum.

We hope that after this successful trial with our three very lucky classes we will be able to roll out this exciting opportunity for all year groups to benefit from. Should you have any questions or if you'd like more details, please don't hesitate to get in touch with one of the team.

Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to seeing the positive impact of outdoor learning on our pupils.

Kind Regards,

Miss Fallows, Miss Wilkes & Miss Birks
Outdoor Learning Team