

## Belmont School LONG TERM PLAN FOR Outdoor Learning Key Stage 3. 2022-2023

## **CONTEXT & INTENT for Class:** Hippos, Giraffes, Ibexes, Jaguars, Koalas, Llamas & Monkeys.

Within the outdoor Learning is predominantly child led and should be encouraged and supported. It remains the basis of every session, with children being able to choose and lead their activities. Teaching holistically is very much of paramount importance with the sessions facilitating play and individual learning, building on resilience, confidence and improving self-esteem as well as gaining a further knowledge and appreciation of our natural environment.

- To make pupils increasingly aware of the natural world around them.
- To learn about, and grow in understanding of the outdoors.
- To become aware of environmental issues.
- To nurture a curiosity in nature.
- To incorporate practical knowledge that will be needed for life skills, and ensure pupils know how they will benefit
- Identify the broad themes running throughout the subject e.g. The Environment, Seasons, Animals, Habitats Wood Skills, human impact.
- Promote Communication teamwork and understanding
- Make sure all themes are covered every year, and that there is frequent revision of ideas and information, so that pupils can see the development, and relevance to past learning
- Make sure that Active Learning underpins all lessons, and is incorporated into MTPs.

The themes and suggestions below can be delivered at any time during the year and shouldn't be limited to the order they are written in. All activities are designed to be flexible.

Belmont Theme/Topic									
TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4	TERM 5	TERM 6				
Exploring the outdoors, Working together.	Journeys. What's in my suitcase?	Fire, (this doesn't have to be real).	The way things grow.	Story Telling.	Communication				
Students will work together to develop a group	e.g. what would a	Making fire.	Plants.	Listening skills.	Signs maps and messages.				
understanding of each other's strengths and	hedgehog take on holiday?	Sparks and science.	Gardening Planting and the	Fairy tales and folklore.	Build a map from natural materials				
weaknesses, through team building games, problem solving and reflection time.	Problem solving, how would you carry things?	History, how we use fire.	germination of seeds. Where our food comes	Making masks from natural materials to create characters.	North, East, South and West.				
	Group problem solving.	Celebrations.	from.	Act out stories.					

Animals and their habitats.	The Snail and the Whale		Grow and eat.		Treasure hunts.
	Super Worm.	Dance, dress up.		Explore animal	
Explore how animals use			Animals.	characteristics.	Basic map skills
natural materials to create safe environments.	Run Wild.	Making and using drums.	Students will look at the differing strategies that	Insects.	Art from Natural Materials.
Cobwebs.	Imaginative play, what could a stick be?	Group celebration activities.	animals use to survive challenging environments.	It's a bugs life	Explore the qualities of natural found materials.
Use string and natural materials to create spiders,	Whittling with a peeler	Sharing food.	Creating shelter from	Super Worm.	leaf printing and rubbing
webs and spider food.	Shelters from natural materials, e.g. grass and	Traditional outdoor	natural materials.	Life cycles Science	Weaving with grass.
Bug hunt for spiders	leaves.	games.		Bug Hunt	Grass paintbrushes.
	Dens for animals.	Nurturing Nature.		-	Collages.
	Creating pictures, (stuck onto card with double sided tape).	What do humans and animals need to survive.			Pebble towers and sculptures
	Stick Man.	Habitats			
		Houses and homes.			
		Model huts from natural materials.			