## Forest School Session Planning



Key Details		
Date: 11/05/2017	Leaders: R.Nutbeam + 1	
Location: St. Barnabas School	Participants: 15 – Year 6	
Key Objectives:	Theme Development:	
<ul> <li>Develop Shelter Building Skills</li> <li>Understanding of what all animals need.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Respect for the Environment</li> <li>Love for the Outdoors</li> <li>Developing our Forest School Area</li> <li>Forest School Basic Skills</li> </ul>	

The Flexible Plan	Energy Flow
<ul> <li>Experience 1: Sardines</li> <li>Safety talk reminding children about boundaries – introduce whistle for bringing the group back together.</li> <li>A child goes and hides in the woodland whilst rest of group sits in fire circle counting to 50.</li> <li>Rest of children run out and try to find the hiding child. Hide with that child when they find them.</li> <li>Repeat.</li> </ul>	High Energy
<ul> <li>Experience 2: Shelters</li> <li>In the centre of the circle place a number of animal soft toys, 1 for each child if possible.</li> <li>Introduce animals as my friends, however they are new to the area and need looking after. They haven't even got a home.</li> <li>Get children to go off and build a new home for the animals using woodland materials.</li> <li>Don't discuss grouping allow children to decide if they wish to work together or as part of a group.</li> <li>As people finish start to calmly gather them together to visit each others houses and give children an opportunity to discuss their creation.</li> <li>Where possible pick up on good design features that could be used next week.</li> </ul>	Low Energy calm  High Energy During Building  Low Energy During Evaluation

## Experience 3(Reflection): What we all need

- Discuss how brilliant children were at building their animals shelters and how they had really though about what the animals needed.
- Now I'd like you to think about what you need as a human.
- Pupils will go off collecting items that represent what they need as a human.
- Bring children together around the fire circle and discuss what they have found.

Low Energy During discussions

High energy when finding their items.

## **Learning Theories/ Strategies Employed**

- Learning styles free choice on activities and how to represent their findings.
- Schemas Looking at how the children are learning to inform next lesson plan.

## **Health and Safety Considerations**

- Pupil have correct shoes and clothing
- Site Risk Assessment
- -Risk of hiding game in woodland area.

Kit List		
For Leaders	For participants	
- A set of animal soft toys	- Wellington Boots	
- Whistle	- Coats in case of rain	