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Priory Junior School, Priory Road, Gedling, Nottingham, NG4 3LE

Head Teacher: Mr. J. Cross

13th January 2026

Re: Information about Forest School and OPAL Play (lunchtime) Kit

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share that the children are loving their forest school and Opal Play experiences. We can't wait to see how these exciting experiences develop over the coming term. We have seen some brilliant shelters, creative natural artwork, drama, building and teamwork being crafted and shown over the past two weeks.

As the weather is now turning **ALL children need the appropriate kit, in school, on pegs with everything labelled with full names** as we will be outdoors for Forest School and Opal lunchtime sessions, rain or shine!

Wearing the correct clothing for these activities will ensure that the children are able to have the independence and confidence to explore, play and have fun.

To make PE & Forest School Days straightforward, pupils should wear their standard PE uniform i.e. navy jogging bottoms and navy sweatshirt.

Cold/ Winter Weather Kit	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comfortable trousers – PE jogging bottoms. • Waterproof trousers for wet weather. • Extra pair of leggings/tights/thermals under normal trousers in very cold weather if needed. • A spare pair in the bag. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Layers for the top of the body. (Long sleeved navy PE sweatshirt/ hoody/ fleece). 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A thick/warm, waterproof coat, preferably with a hood. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellies, outdoor boots or sturdy closed-toe 'outdoor' shoes. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warm Socks – a pair to wear and a spare pair of wool/fleece/fluffy socks inside wellies in case of muddy/cold toes. Normal socks in wellies are not warm enough for cooler weather. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hat and gloves – also essential in late Autumn and early Spring term. (Thermal and waterproof are best as knitted gloves get damp and don't keep hands as warm during the colder months. Ideally, the hat should cover the ears.) 	



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Reminder of Forest School and PE Days for Autumn Term are as follows:

- Monday – Year 5: Miss Day and Miss Gilbert
- Tuesday – Year 4: Mrs Tilling/ Mrs Wright & Miss Bracken
- Wednesday – Year 3: Miss Farnsworth
- Friday – Year 6: Miss Farnsworth

If you are struggling to provide your child with kit, please speak to us in the strictest confidence, we will try to help where we can.

Thank you for your continued support, let's make Forest School and Opal Play (Lunchtimes) a core memory for our Priory Pupils!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Tilling & Miss Edwards

Forest School Lead and Opal Play Lead

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Outdoor Uniform



WATERPROOFS

When we have our full waterproofs on, we can play outside in all weather and keep our school uniform dry.



WELLIES

When we have our wellies on, we can access all of the fun play areas: digging pits, football on the field, mud slides, or mud kitchens.

SPARE DRY CLOTHES

Sometimes we have too much fun and we may get muddy or wet. We need a full set of spare warm clothes on our pegs to change into - these should be school uniform or plain clothes like PE kit (joggers, socks, plain tshirts/jumpers).

