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Outdoor Learning in Academic Year Beginning September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to introduce myself to you as the new Outdoor Learning Teacher for Preston Primary School from September. I am very excited about the opportunity to teach children from across the whole school to explore a different way of learning. This will extend the excellent opportunities we already offer our children here at Preston Primary.

Children will have the opportunity to learn in the outdoor environment in a variety of ways. Each year group has been allocated a half term to work with me outside either on a Wednesday or Thursday afternoon. We will be providing these outdoor curriculum-based lessons in all weathers come rain or shine. We therefore ask that you begin preparing yourselves with collecting wellies and waterproof clothing for your children.

As part of this learning, we are developing our outdoor environment and would love your help with this. We would love donations of the following materials if you have access to any of these through your jobs or businesses.

We would like...

Bricks,
A large natural green parachute,
Tarpaulins,
Logs to make seats,
Spare wellies,
Spare waterproof clothing,
A mud kitchen,
Guttering,
Wooden scaffolding planks,
Metal frame to make a grill,
Milk crates,
Plastic piping of various sizes,

Things that you and your children could be collecting for free...

Pebbles,
Shells,
Pine cones,
Teazles,
Acorns and conkers (when it is the right time of year to collect!)

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Old pots and pans,
Metal ladles, whisks and serving spoons

If you love being outside learning with your children, you would be very welcome to come and join in with some of these sessions. I am looking for a team of willing volunteers to help with activities both on the school grounds and when we go out and about. Alongside this we hope to put on a family learning session each half term for you to come and join the fun with your children and find out what they have been doing and have a go yourselves too.

We will send out more information in the Autumn Term so that you know when your child will be involved and what they will need to bring and when.

If you would like to help with this work or to donate any of the materials in the list, please feel free to contact me via email on khuggins@preston.ppat365.org or arrange to speak to me via the school office.

Many thanks and I look forward to working with all of your children next year!

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