

Forest School Session Evaluation – Session 1

Reflection and evaluation

- most of the children were great with the rules. The children who went past the ropes were told once and then asked to sit down if they did it again.
- they loved the camera and mostly took photos of the sky and branches above us
- some children just wanted to run!
- most of the children came back with cards with nothing stuck on as they added and took things off

The children learned:

- how to be safe in the woods
- how to take a photo
- how to explore what was on the woodland floor
- to balance on fallen logs
- to avoid obstacles while running

I learned:

- to allow children to freely explore and investigate on their own terms
- some children are not interested in activities and want to be physically challenged by climbing and balancing. These activities can be managed by other staff as long as not too dangerous

Ideas for next time:

- more physical games
- give the children something more exciting to make with their findings

Add to risk assessment:

- lower ropes so children can't go under but still high enough to see