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Dear Parents/Carers.

We have fabulous outdoor, nature spaces at both schools, with ponds, fire pits and growing beds and our aim is that we get to use them more regularly, bringing learning outside the classroom and embedding this element deeper into our curriculums.

Outdoor learning has already been experienced with Bushcraft in the previous academic year at the Infant school and the children thoroughly enjoyed this. What we want is that all children get to spend time outside carrying out various additional learning, such as shelter building, fire-lighting, tree identification and other new life skills all in a safe and age-appropriate manner.

Currently, we have a Tesco Community Grant running at the local stores (Caister and Stalham) so we want to encourage all our families who shop there to donate the blue counters to our cause. We will then invest any monies received into developing our outdoor spaces further to include growing vegetables, developing wilding areas, maintaining bees for honey and carrying out general conservation.

In order to use the outdoor space all year round, we are asking that you send into school for January 2024 an inexpensive pair of Wellington boots, named and in a carrier bag that can be kept in school. This is very important, because this way the children can keep their feet dry, their school shoes clean and our school floors free from mud and debris.

We are very much looking forward to spending more time in our outdoor spaces in the new year.

Yours sincerely,

Bradley Young **Headteacher**













