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| Games we play  One game that is played at forest school is called 123 where are you. You play this by choosing one person to be it, she has to count to 20 and then shout 123 where are you she can shout this as many times as she wants and every time she does you MUST to shout back 123 we’re over here! Then just like hide and seek the seeker has to find the others.  Other games to play are:   * Moth and bat, * Get to know a tree. | "We are extremely proud of our Forest School provision at Waterhouses and I believe it encourages and inspires  individuals both academically and socially/emotionally of  any age through positive outdoor experiences. I’m excited to share that we are hoping to extend our provisions to  one full day a week from September 2020. This will give more opportunities for our children to experience outdoor play and learning throughout the year. Over the coming  year, my aim is to embed the Forest School ethos across  the curriculum based on some of these aims below. At Forest School all participants are viewed as: • Equal, unique and valuable • Competent to explore and discover • Entitled to experience appropriate risk and challenge • Entitled to choose, and to initiate and to drive their own learning and development • Entitled to experience regular success • Entitled to develop positive relationships with  themselves and other people • Entitled to develop a strong, positive relationship with  their natural world." -Mr. Dodson (Forest school organizer for Waterhouses)  “An outdoor classroom is the perfect addition to our rural school. The new Forest School facilities utilise and compliment the enormous amount of green space we are so lucky to have at Waterhouses. We love our weekly visits from Katie, our Forest School leader from Tanglewood and most of all, learning in the great outdoors!”  - Mrs. Lafford (White Tigers Teacher)  "I like forest school because it is nice to be out-side and have hot-chocolate around the fire."  - Faith (Year 3)  <https://waterhouses.staffs.sch.uk/parents/forest-school/> | http://waterhouses.staffs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2019/10/forest-school-fpta-1.jpg Waterhouses Primary forest school!!! |

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| What happens when you arrive?  When you arrive at base Katie will tell you about the special activity for that day then you must sing the forest school song;  Here we are at forest school, (x2)  Play out-side is really cool, (x2)  We keep safe ‘cause we all know, (x2)  We don’t go past the boundaries, (x2)  We don’t pick and lick germs and bugs can make us sick, (x2)  Bluuuggghhh!!!  After you have sung the song you will go and complete the special activity. If you have time you might get to play a game like 123 where are you! Then you meet all your friends back at base and chat as you have juice or hot-chocolate (you can choose) and you can have a biscuit to – if you have an allergy you need to take your own biscuit. | Tree planting  One activity that has been done before is plant trees. Read on if you want to know how to do it step by step:  1. Dig a hole that is not too deep.  2. Place the tree upright in the hole and make sure the hole will cover the roots when you fill it in.  3. Fill the hole.  4. Pat around the plant to make sure it is steady.  5. Place a special cover around it to protect it. | Loppers One more thing you can do if you have no paths is get a pair of loppers and cut some paths.  1. Decide where you are going to make  the path.  2. Move any logs out of the way.  3. cut any brambles or plants you do not want.  4. As you go cut any low hanging branches from trees. |