

Forest school from home wk 3 RAIN

Remember to dress warm and waterproof (I hope you are getting better at it) and remember to look after yourself, each other and the world we live in whilst out and about.

We have had lots of rain and now I have planned this, we might not get any more but I am sure we will at some point. The great thing about these plans is you can look out the window and pick and choose what is appropriate for the day. I realised as soon as I planned the ice week the weather warmed up but they are there to look back on if it gets cold again.

Always use all of your **senses** when outside.

Can you touch the rain, catch a drop in your hand, on your nose or on your tongue.

What does it smell like when out in the rain?

Listening to the rain either on your roof if you are indoors or pitter patter on your umbrella or dripping out a drainpipe or dripping off the trees.

Art

Draw a picture with felt tips and lay it out in the rain or hang it on the washing line or put it in the shower and watch what happens.

Do some chalk drawings on the pavement and see what happens.

Drip drops of food colouring on a sheet of paper or kitchen roll and watch what happens.

[Three Ways to Paint with Rain!](#)

Toy Adventures

Take a toy on an adventure (could be a lego figure or a plastic toy, choose wisely - not your favourite in case it gets lost). Build it a water play park using leaves, sticks, stones and mud.

This could be done in doors in a washing up bowl if you collect a few things when out walking first. Can you make your adventurer climb over, tunnel under, slide down, climb up and move through something. Can you think of any other position words. You could get a sibling or adult to shout out a position word and you have to demonstrate it.

Collect rain

Put out lots of different size pots and see how long they take to fill up. Which do you think will fill up first and why? You could try and measure the rain in your pots by using a jug or measuring cups or spoons.

Make a rain gauge - [Making a Rain Gauge](#)

Find a small stream or a flow of water from a puddle down a hill and try and dam it or redirect the water.

Stand under a tree and put your hood up and then give the tree a shake and get a tree shower!

Music

Use some pots and pans and listen to the rain landing in them, find a stick and use as a drum.

Watch the water droplets jump in the air as you drum.

Singing and dancing in the rain. You could reenact the famous ["Singin' in the Rain"](#) dance or dance and stomp about doing your own rain dance.

You can also make a Rainstick [wildlife trust - rain stick](#)

Mud

Rain mixed with the ground gives your mud. Find some when out and about or in your garden. Make footprints, spot footprints, make a mud pie or a stew!

Creatures

What creatures like the rain? See if you can hunt for snails and slugs.