



This is one of our favourite stories and it is even more exciting when you have a real forest to explore as you retell the story.

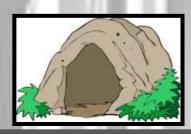
## A deep, dark cave...

Oh! The poor things. **Emily** 



We were not sure what we were going to find in the cave

but...



....when we looked into the cave, we found a whole bag of teddies! They tipped out all over the ground and we all quickly picked one up to cuddle. Maksim reminded us that these bears were not horrible like the one in the story, but Callie suggested that the bear in the story 'Just wanted to have some friends."





Gabriela liked this one the best!



We all ran back home and hid under the bed covers.

Lots of bears!

Ahhh!

# Challenge and Exploration...

It's slippy. I can't stay on it!



Lucy found this sloping, wet log very funny. Every time she tried to sit still on it, she would slide forwards. Eventually we heard a loud excited shout of, "I did it! I'm not slipping down again!".

One of the animals in the forest had been very busy digging a huge hole. Some of the children were very keen to fill the hole back in again! The Giant's bed had another visit from us today. It was so soft that we had to stop some of the children from rolling off! Being so high up from the ground it was perfect for looking down on the world below.





Tt's very high up here! Maksim

A muddy slope can make a fantastic slide. Some children went down head first!

Wheeee!

Rhys was interested in the sheets that Julia got out from her bag and asked...



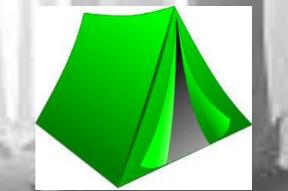
Dens

What are those for?

We had to work as a team to make some dens. We wanted to sit under them and have our snack, It was quite tricky as the string kept getting tangled and we only had branches to use as tent poles.

This was our favourite shelter because you had to crawl to get inside. It also made a very good hiding place for when we played '1,2,3 – Where are you?'





### Time for a break...

We always take our snack with us. Hunting for bears, building dens and then mixing up magical wish potions made our tummies rumble very loudly today.



I saw a squirrel. It ran over there!

Dipping our digestive biscuits into our hot chocolate has become part of our Forest School routine.

The children in the Red Fox group are very kind and if you can't find a seat they will squish up and say....

Come and share this one! Rosie/Keeley

You can always find somewhere or something to sit on ,relax and enjoy the fresh air in the forest.



#### What is in the forest today?

We found lots signs that there were many different woodland creatures.

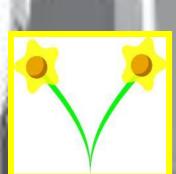


We left food for the magpies as we left Forest School today.



The squirrel could climb really, really, really high up in the trees.





The daffodils are nearly ready to bloom. We looked at the centre of a daffodil and learnt that the middle is known as a 'trumpet'. Some of the children thought this funny and made their own trumpet noises. A good idea, but not that sort of trumpet! Charlie and Charlotte spent a long time trying to work out how deep one of the holes was. The grown-ups told the children that it probably belonged to a rabbit. Charlie used a long stick and Charlotte tried with her arm.



#### **Making potions**

I wish that I didn't have to get up in the morning. **Sienna**  There are lots of things on the forest floor that can be used to make marvellous potions. Julia also had some dragon's blood, caterpillar's blood and crocodile blood in her bag (no actual animals were harmed for this!) Mix together your ingredients, tip it out by a tree and then make a wish.

> We wish for crocodiles. Mia/Amelia

I wish that I didn't have to get up in the morning. Sienna

I wish for rain cause I love splashing! **Rhys** 

Some of the children wished for sunflowers and trees whilst others hoped for snow to make snowballs, polar bears and a good night's sleep.



Forest School is REALLY FUN! Amelia





We are all very excited!