

Outdoor Learning Autumn 2 2023

Building our Dreams

This week we've been imagining how we could improve our gardens and having a go at recreating our ideas in real life.



Our garden at Freshwater needs some help to make it fabulous. We made a trellis around part of our log circle, a tree for some more shade, built a fort and used tyres to show where we would like to plant up to define different areas.

At Shalfleet, we had a go at building a shelter. We found a good spot, made a roof with a tarpaulin, added some walls, some furniture and some decorations. Using



some bamboo canes we practised our square lashing to make an arch. We made a colourful welcome sign too.

The children would love your help in realising their dreams. There are gardening days coming up at both schools where you can come along and help out with some jobs, sign up for some projects, get involved in our fruit and vegetable growing, help plan the next steps for our garden, spend some time connecting with nature, and enjoy some good company for a great cause.

Freshwater and Yarmouth - Tuesday, the 19th of September

Shalfleet - Wednesday 27th September





As usual, we've had a busy week - there is always lots to do in the garden . As well as learning a lot about what grows and lives around our schools, we make our own discoveries along the way. This week we found out how to crack an acorn, what happens when you roll a ball down a steep slope, how to measure things we find in nature and how to protect them.



We are always on the lookout for resources for our gardens:

Loose parts construction - bricks, guttering, pipes, hazel/willow poles.

Mud kitchen - utensils, cake moulds, plastic/metal plates and cups.

Garden - cuttings to grow on, bulbs, left over compost, bark/wood chips.

Please email Miss Gates at outdoorleader@fosay.co.uk if you can help with any of these.

Thank you!

