

COPTHORNE CE JUNIOR SCHOOL – TOOL RISK ASSESSMENT FORM

SHELTER BUILDING

The woodland is made of 'loose parts' and these can be used in countless ways! A favourite in Forest School is in the construction of dens and shelters, however it is important that these are constructed safely.

SAFE WORKING USE / POSITION:

- Discuss and demonstrate safe ways to carry long sticks. ie: vertical like a walking stick
- If stick needs carrying horizontally, one person at each end
- Raise awareness of ends of stick as being where danger is
- Discuss always knowing where both ends of stick are
- Demonstrate how to tie sticks and check for stability
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<u>Assessed by:</u> Jeff Turner				<u>Date:</u> September 2020 <u>Next Assessment Due:</u> Sept. 2021			
Type of Hazard	Likelihood of Occurrence	Hazard Severity	Risk Factor	Action to be taken to reduce risk	New Likelihood of Occurrence	New Hazard Severity	New Risk Factor
Injury from long sticks	4	3	12	Discuss and demonstrate safe ways to carry long sticks. ie: vertical like a walking stick. If stick needs carrying horizontally, one person at each end. Raise awareness of ends of stick as being where danger is. Discuss always knowing where both ends of stick are.	2	3	6
Collapse of shelter	5	3	15	Demonstrate how to tie sticks and check for stability. With younger children adult supervision throughout construction to ensure knots secure.	2	3	6
Contamination Dog/animal poo	4	2	8	Check area when selecting where to build. Adult to clear mess or choose alternative site.	1	2	2

No activity may be carried out where there is an individual Risk Factor of 10 or above.