



Newmills PS

Our Forest School Diary

5 September 2025





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FOREST SCHOOL



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We went to the Hill of the O'Neill to do our
Forest School sessions.



Comhairle Ceantair
Lár Uladh
Mid Ulster
District Council



RULES



We went over our Forest School rules:

- 1 whistle: still like a tree
- 2 whistles: back to base
- 3rd rule: have fun and learn





RULES



We put up
boundaries around
the area we were
using.





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CAMOUFLAGE



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We found animals in pictures camouflaged in their surroundings.

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CAMOUFLAGE

We played a game
birds and worms.

One group picked
what bird they
would be while
the other group
hid wool worms.





CAMOUFLAGE



The birds then
went to find the
worms.





CAMOUFLAGE



We counted to see if more of the red or green worms were found and discussed why.



DEN BUILDING



Today we are building dens –
we use bamboo canes,
tarpaulins and clothes pegs.



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Lovely team
work!





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The dens are coming
on well.





DEN BUILDING



Time to hear how all the groups did.





LEAVE NO TRACE



We tidied away so we left the place as we found it, great folding.





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DID YOU ENJOY IT?



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Mostly happy faces, 'I liked looking for things for our picture'. Some ideas for improvement from the others.

