

Hillside pupils have been very busy in our forest school session recently making use of a fallen tree.

It was all very exciting! A very large beech tree blew down overnight in strong winds in early February. It completely blocked the driveway. We had to get workmen in to remove the tree from the drive. They used a chainsaw to chop it up into smaller pieces and wood chipped some of it. We saved some of the wood and chippings for Forest Schools.









Pupils have been working hard and having fun whilst moving the logs into storage.





Great team work everyone!







We have also been very busy making a seating and fire pit area.



Firstly we cleared an area that was overgrown with brambles.



We dug up some beautiful snowdrops to save them from being trampled on.

We planted them in a new flower bed.



Great work everyone!!



We used some of the larger logs for seating and the bark chippings to cover the ground.



Moving the heavy logs was hard work but fun too.









We measured the fire circle. Logs needed to be 2meters distance from the fire square.







Fun laying the bark chipping.











The children have really enjoyed working together to create this new space at school. We are all looking forward to some camp fire cooking and wood craft activities



