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**NATURE SCHOOL LONG TERM PLAN**

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| **Theme** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** | **Term 4** | **Term 5** | **Term 6** |
| **Seasonal** | End of Summer  Giving Thanks  Autumn Equinox  Harvest Samhain  Halloween | Winter Solstice  Festivals of light | Honouring Winter  Imbolc  Spring Equinox | Springing into life  Abundance and change | May Day / Beltane | Summer Solstice |
| **Annual Days** | Recycle Week | National Tree Week | Garden Bird Watch  Star Count with CPRE | Mothers Day (March)  Earth Day (April) | 30 Days Wild (June)  Mental Health Awareness Week (May) | Fathers Day (June) |
| **Food / Cooking** | Berries  Jam / juice | Soup / bread  popcorn | Pancake Day | Dandelions  Wild Garlic | Cleavers  Nettles | Elder Flower |
| **Crafts**  **Animal Links** | Harvest | Hibernation  Dens | Birds Nesting  Animals awakening | Migrating animals returning | Insects | Changes / lifecycles  Ladybirds |
| **Crafts**  **Plant Links** | Berries  Gathering Seeds | Elder wood / beads | Calm before Spring / resting Earth | Planting Seeds | Happa Zome | Bramble/ nettle Cordage |

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| **Each block of 6 sessions will include opportunities to take part in:** | | |
| **Child-lead free play** ~ free choice whilst in the natural environment of the session: interactions with peers, adults, , resources. | **Walk in the local woods** ~ noting seasonal changes, playing, communal games, flora and fauna awareness, resource collection. | **Cooking / Fire** ~ building on previous skills and knowledge, collecting resources, risk management, environmental impact awareness. |
| **Seasonal Crafting** ~ a focussed craft for all to complete | **Working with Tools** ~ Peelers and knives, Drills, Hammers, Bow saw and Hack saw | **Working with Ropes** ~ transporting and maintenance, use and adaptability, challenges and risk assessing |