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Dear Parents

Bring a Stick to School Day

This year we're embracing the 'Bring A Stick To School Day' as part of an initiative created by The Muddy Puddle Teacher www.themuddypuddleteacher.co.uk

'Bring A Stick To School Day' is as simple as it sounds. We will ask all children to go for a walk at home, find a stick and bring it into school on Monday 13th October 2025. Please ensure the stick is small enough to fit in their book bag, and that it is kept in the bag whilst traveling to and from school.

The day aims to draw attention to the joys of play and how simple items, such as a used stick from a tree, can be anything if we imagine it to be. It could be a stick, it could be a dragon, it could be a unicorn – it could even be a magic wand! All activities have been carefully planned by teachers and the children will be supervised when completing their tasks.

We will also be drawing the children's attention to nature and how the small, natural friend they'll be clutching all day has come from a tree. We'll also consider how we can look after our trees and connect a little more with all things natural.

We will be doing lots of fun activities throughout the day and will share these with you accordingly. Please note, we will be talking to children about stick safety. To help embed the same methods, try watching this fun and animated video – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OpLVs4k5Xf0>

Thank you for your support, we are sure that your children will have a fantastic day and have lots to share with you when they get home!

Yours sincerely

Mrs Stevens, Mrs Coyne & Mrs Ward
PE and Outdoor Learning Coordinators

