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Reception Outdoor Learning Area

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are asking you to donate any unwanted or unused items at home to help us with our outdoor area. We would also welcome any parents with gardening or building expertise to help us to set up some of the areas outside.

If you have any of the following at home and would like to donate it, please bring it in – we'll find them very useful!

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• bird feeders• bird table• outdoor thermometres• stones and pebbles• shells• pine cones• buckets• binoculars / magnifying glasses• large outdoor plants / herbs / lavender• soil• weighing scales / balancing scales• wood palettes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• old picture frames (not broken)• pots and pans• large plant pots / planting trays• old sheets for making dens• canes / long sticks• pegs or clips• baskets or wooden trays• wooden drawers• string• tin cans for planting (washed and without labels)• pipes and guttering• planks of wood
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As always, we are grateful for any natural resources that children might find when at the park or on a walk at the weekend, for example, leaves, sticks and stones. We encourage children not to pick wild flowers, but if you have any bought flowers that you do not want, we can use their petals for perfume-making and cloth dying.

The children love these outdoor activities and benefit hugely from them.

We'd also like to remind parents to give children **a sunhat** to wear and apply **sun protection** before they come into school. All children play outdoors and we take sun protection very seriously.

Thank you very much for all your help; we really appreciate it.

Yours sincerely

Miss Miles and Miss Lindner
Reception Classteachers

