Hill View Infant Academy



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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited to announce we are setting up an Invention Shed in our Key Stage 1 Outdoor Classroom. The Invention Shed is a space that will enable your children to create and design ideas of their own using a variety of materials. They will be working on their independence and managing risk by using different crafting tools to bring their ideas to life. Our Invention Shed will promote a variety of skills such as team work, communication, creativity, self-confidence and much more.

To enhance our Invention Shed, we would greatly appreciate any donations of crafting materials and tools that are new or in good condition for your children to use. We have attached a list of the various items we would love to use to create with.

Lockdown has been a tough time for us all and as a school we are invested in supporting our children's wellbeing whilst returning to school. The Invention Shed will enable us to develop and bring out the children's awe and wonder as our Outdoor Classrooms are the perfect environment for this.

Any donations would be gratefully received for this new chapter of our Outdoor Education. If you have any questions or ideas, please feel free to contact us via the school office.

If you have any donations, please contact Miss Dunn via shvcdunn@hvi.org.uk or the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss C Dunn and Mrs K Alderson

Invention Shed and Outdoor Classroom Leads



















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Tools and equipment ideas

- Slate
- Hot glue guns
- Woodwork aprons
- Safety goggles
- Safety gloves
- Pliers
- Clippers
- Measuring tape
- Clamps
- Display stands
- Magnifying glasses
- Jugs
- Modelling dolls
- Permanent markers
- Tweezers
- Saws
- Hammers
- Cutting boards

Material ideas

- Corks
- Cut offs of materials from old clothes/bedding/curtains (fur, lycra, wool, felt, elastic, cotton, mesh etc)
- Plastic pipes
- String
- Newspaper
- Carpet
- Vinyl
- Wallpaper
- Ribbon
- Bubble wrap
- Foam
- Polystyrene
- Netting
- Cellophane
- Wood chips
- Buttons
- Bottle tops
- Wire

















