Ratios Policy for Forest School

Newick CE Primary School

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- 1. All Forest School sessions must have the adequate number of adults to children in order for the session to take place.
- 2. At Newick Primary CE School the following ratios will be used for Forest School sessions:

Otters Class - 1:5

Penguins and Puffins Class – 1:6

Dolphins and Seals – 1:8

Turtles and Whales – 1:10

- 3. A Forest School leader will be present for all sessions as well as a minimum of one member of staff.
- 4. Ratios for Forest School are expected to be higher than a typical school outing or event as this is fundamental to the Forest School ethos.
- 5. Parents will be invited to volunteer for the sessions and there will not be a limit placed upon the number of parent volunteers.
- 6. Any pupils that require 1:1 support will have a named adult and that adult will not be included within the class ratio of adults to children.
- 7. The ratios for each class will be identified on the class risk assessment.

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