Seamer and Irton CP School – Forest School

Topic: Forest School – Campfires

Fire materials

	Definition	Natural sources	Artificial sources
Tinder	Tinder is any	 Dry grass 	- Cotton balls
	combustible material	- needles	- Char cloth
	(it must be dry) that	- Cattail fluff	 Tampon fluff
	is highly flammable	- Straw	- Sawdust
	and will easily ignite.	 Hanging mosses 	- newspaper
	Usually it is	 Small light pine 	
	separated, divided	cones	
	into fine pieces to	 Wood shavings 	
	catch fire quickly.	- Small twigs	
		- Birch tree bark	
		- Dandelion fluff	
Kindling	Kindling is small	- Cedar bark	- Cardboard
	pieces of wood/	- Dry leaves	- Rolled up newspaper
	sticks, but it is larger	- Small twigs	
	than tinder. It must	- Soft wood (pine)	
	be dry. It will start	- Large pine cones	
	the fire burning in		
	the short term,		
	allowing the larger		
	pieces of wood to		
	catch alight. It is less		
	likely than larger fuel		
	to smother the		
	tinder.		
Fuel	Fuel is the final part	 Dry wood found 	 Large cardboard
	of the fire, and is any	lying in the	- Coal
	type of combustible	forest area	
	material that will	- Driftwood	
	burn in order to light	- Birch bark	
	and keep a fire	- Stumps	
	burning.	- Fallen branches	
		- Shaved sticks	
		(fuzz sticks)	