Seamer and Irton CP School – Forest School

Topic: Forest School – Shelter and den building (tarpaulin configurations)

Year 5 (linked to knots)

Prior learning

- How to build a free-standing tepee or tepee structure around a tree.
- How to build an A-frame shelter.
- Using a tarpaulin as a ground sheet.

Key vocabulary

- Shelter a place giving temporary protection, used for safety and retreat.
- **Structure** a specific arrangement of things.
- Waterproof waterproofing is the process of making an object or structure waterproof or water-resistant so that it remains relatively unaffected by water/resists the ingress of water under specified conditions.
- Tarpaulin- a tarpaulin (tarp) is a large sheet of strong, flexible, water-resistant or waterproof material.
- Ridgeline a ridgeline keeps a tarp secure for a consistent hang and prevents the cover from slipping.

Key knowledge I will understand

- Look at different tarpaulin shelters with and without the use of trees.
- Consider shape for purpose.

Take into consideration

- Pros and cons of tarpaulin shelters.
- Other uses and advantages of a tarpaulin.
- Different types of material.
- Weather conditions.

Tarpaulin configurations we will investigate

- 1. The A- frame
- 2. The stealth'
- 3. The tipi
- 4. The lean-to
- 5. The tarp tent
- 6. The headspace (plough

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