

# Alfresco Learning

## Making the most of this starter kit



Everything inside this kit has been carefully considered to support curriculum outdoor learning and make it as smooth and easy for teachers as possible!

### > Trolley

Use this as your base for your outdoor lesson. Transport your resources with it, put the class water bottles in there when it's sunny, place coats in there, whatever you need. The chunky wheels will make getting over most terrains a breeze. Simply fold up and put away in your cupboard when you're done!

### > Clipboards

Sometimes it's a joy to take your books outdoors and work directly into them. Other times you might look for other ways of gathering evidence of children's learning, especially in breezy weather. Clipboards are super practical and having a full class set will save squabbles over who holds it and writes on it!

### > Foldable sit mats

These are going to be your golden item for increasing the flexibility of your outdoor lessons. Unlike an outdoor classroom, you can take these anywhere, enabling you to seat the children under shade, in areas of interest and in any arrangement to support behaviour. They're also warm and surprisingly comfortable to sit on! To keep them clean use a stiff brush and ask the children to give them a quick brush over when the mud on them is dry. The bag provided fits a class set of 30 and slots perfectly into your trolley too to make transporting and setting up a seamless experience for you!



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### > Playground chalk

An essential in any outdoor teachers cupboard! It's incredibly versatile and tactile to use. Using chalk on the children's playground will often lead to children revisiting their learning at lunch and break times too!

### > Wipe clean pockets

Save yourself laminating time by using these to display resources or use as another writing alternative! Want to save the children's work on them? Head back indoors via the photocopier to make a copy of their work for their books.

### > Card

Paper just doesn't quite cut it outdoors so card is essential! Combine with pencils for a writing medium that will see you through drizzly weather or use it to display hand drawn resources in the wipe clean pockets.

We hope this guide has given you some practical tips to take away and support your outdoor learning practice. Please make sure to check out our activity ideas within this kit too!

And if you want even more curriculum outdoor learning head on over to our website [www.alfrescolearning.co.uk](http://www.alfrescolearning.co.uk) for more free lesson plans for Reception, KS1 & KS2.

