

ACHIEVE

Activities for the Week of 6/30-7/2

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Please note that all Achieve activities are optional and do not need to be turned in!

Tuesday

Activity # 1: Lanterns and Tag

Instructor: Mrs. Raugh

Goal: The students will create a lantern

Materials:

Empty clear, plastic peanut butter jar or similar

Wax paper

One Chenille Stem

Knife

Tape

Scissors

Tissue Paper

One Electric Votive Light

Directions:

1. Listen to the story, [Curious George Goes Camping](#).
2. **Step 1:** Cut one small hole on each side of the plastic jar using the knife.
3. **Step 2:** Insert the Chenille stem into each hole and bend the stem upwards on the ends to secure it in place.
4. **Step 3:** Cut a piece of wax paper to fit inside the plastic jar.

5. **Step 4:** Secure the wax paper with a piece of tape.
6. **Step 5:** Turn on the votive light and place inside the lantern and put the lid on the jar.
7. Decorate the outside with tissue paper.
8. When you want to turn off the light, just open the jar and take the votive out to switch it off.
9. Play lantern/flashlight tag.
 - Lantern/flashlight tag is one of the oldest, best known and loved games. Think tag and hide-and-seek in the dark. Lantern/Flashlight tag's rules vary, but the basic premise is one person is "it" and tries to spot his or her friends hiding in the dark by using the lantern/flashlight.

Activity #2: Build a Bug Hotel

Instructor: Mrs. Van Tries

Goal: Students will be able to build a bug hotel to create a habitat for insects.

Materials:

Large Plastic Soda Bottle

Scissors

Twine

Twigs, bark, broken pot shards, small pine cones etc.(take a hike or look around your backyard for these items}

Directions:

1. Watch Video: [Habitat for Insects](#)
2. This easy Insect Hotel is the perfect way for children of all ages to create a habitat for all the bugs and insects that they love to find on their explorations into nature. The materials should be things that you find in your own environment like twigs, bark, broken pots(ask permission), small rocks etc.
3. [Build an Insect Hotel](#)

Wednesday:

Activity # 1: Campfire and Smores

Instructor: Mrs. Raugh

Goal:

The students create a glowing campfire.

The students make Smores trail mix.

Materials:

Flickering Electric Tealights

Paintbrushes

Orange and Yellow Paint

Water Bottle

Stones/Pebbles

Graham Cereal

Mini Marshmallows

Chocolate Chips

Plastic Cups

Directions:

1. Listen to the story, [Pete Goes Camping](#).
2. Listen to [A Camping We Will Go](#).
3. Prep your plastic clear container
 - If you have a water bottle, cut off the top half and remove the screw top.
4. Paint on your flames!
 - Start out by making flame outlines with yellow, then while it is still wet, add in orange and red.
5. Set the “campfire” over your electric tea light candle, and let the camp magic happen.
6. Make a fire ring by putting rocks around the edges of the container to make it even more real.
7. Make Smores Trail Mix
8. Get a plastic cup.
9. Fill $\frac{1}{4}$ of the cup with graham cereal.
10. Sprinkle mini marshmallows on top to cover the graham cereal.
11. Sprinkle chocolate chips on top of the marshmallows.
12. Enjoy! :)

Activity #2: Twig Ornament

Instructor: Mrs. Van Tries

Goal: Students will design a tree ornament out of twigs and yarn.

Materials:

Twigs or sticks

Yarn 9ft (3ft of different colors)

Twine

Glue

Scissors

Directions:

1. [Learn all about Christmas Trees](#)
2. [Create a Twig Ornaments](#)
 - To begin, gather some small sticks and twigs.
 - Then, lay out your shape.
 - Stars are the easiest shape to achieve, either by selecting five sticks the same length and creating a five-pointed pentagram shape, or by selecting twigs of different lengths and putting them in a criss-cross pattern. Students could use the first letter of your name, as well. Be creative.
 - Once your child has decided on their shape, help them secure the sticks or twigs by wrapping them with string, or by putting a dab of glue on each place where the sticks touch..
 - Wait glue has dried.
 - Tie one end of string around corner of stick and secure one end of yarn to end with a knot
 - Start wrapping the yarn around the stick until the stick is completely covered.
 - Tie a knot at other end when finished.
 - Repeat this process until all twigs are covered with yarn.
 - Trim any excess yarn
 - Add an extra piece of string to the top of the ornament for hanging.

Thursday

Activity # 1: Nature Walk/Nest/Name Plate

Instructor: Mrs. Raugh

Goal:

The students will go on a nature walk and collect items.

The students will create a name plate out of things they collected from their nature walk.

The students will create a nest from the items they collected from their nature walk.

Materials:

Leaves

Flowers

Twigs

Elmer Liquid Glue

Fake or Real Feathers

Fake or Real Moss

Thick Paper like Cardstock or Cardboard

Pencil

Directions:

1. Listen to [Owl Babies](#).
2. Listen to [All About Owls](#).
3. Watch [What are Nests Made of?](#)
4. Go on a nature walk with an adult.
5. Take a bag and gloves with you to collect items from nature for your name plate and nest.
6. Building a Nest
 - Start with the dried grass and twigs to make a circular shape. Weave in some feathers and leaves to make a comfortable, padded space for the birds and their eggs.
7. Making a Nameplate
 - Write your name lightly in pencil on sturdy paper. Glue the natural items over the penciled lines.

Optional :

No Bake Chocolate Birds Nest Dessert

Ingredients

- 1 C Pretzel Sticks broken in half
- 1 C Chocolate melted (I used Semi-Sweet it's what was on hand)

Instructions

1. BREAK pretzel sticks in half, place in a large bowl
2. MELT chocolate (either in the microwave or a double broiler)
3. MIX the melted chocolate and pretzel sticks together, ensure each pretzel is coated with chocolate.
4. SPRAY your cupcake pan with a little non-stick or baking spray.
5. SCOOP out a tablespoon of the pretzel mixture into your cupcake pan.
6. PRESS the pretzel mixture from the middle outward. You want to ensure the middle of the nest can hold whatever food you will be putting inside.
7. HARDEN for 1-2 hours in the fridge.
8. REMOVE your Chocolate Birds Nest very carefully. I've found that it is easiest to use a spoon and loosen the edges to pop it out.
9. PLACE your egg, candy, ice cream or whatever yumminess inside!

Activity #2 Create a Popsicle Tent

Instructor: Mrs. Van Tries

Goal: Students will create a tent out of popsicles.

Materials

Jumbo Popsicle Sticks {3 per tent craft}
School Glue
Colored Cardstock {we used dark blue/white/brown/orange}
Craft Paint {we used dark blue}
Foam Paint Brushes
Kid Friendly Craft Scissors
Optional – embellishments like glitter, rhinestones etc.

Directions:

1. Follow directions to [Create a Tent](#)
2. [Build your own Fort in your house!](#)

Links to this week's videos:

Tuesday

Activity #1

- [Curious George Goes Camping](#)

Activity #2

- [Habitat for Insects](#)

Wednesday

Activity #1

- [Pete Goes Camping](#)
- [A Camping We Will Go](#)

Activity #2

- [Learn all about Christmas Trees](#)

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- [Owl Babies](#)
- [All About Owls](#)
- [What are Nests Made of?](#)

Activity #2

- [Build your own Fort in your house!](#)

Links to this week's resources:

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- [Build an Insect Hotel](#)

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- [Twig Ornaments](#)

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Activity #2

- [Create a Tent](#)