

Theme/Study: On a Jungle Safari—Children will identify a variety of different animals and plants that originate in the jungles of South America.

Camp Centers

Goals When planning activities, we consider the following areas: the three spheres of understanding including literacy, values and character, and psychodynamic development of children; DECA areas of development including Initiative, Attachment, and Self-Control; Missouri Early Childhood and Kindergarten standards including Literacy, Math, Science, Physical, Cognitive, and the Arts.

<p>Morning Gathering: (prepared by the Shooting Stars) We will lead the campers in the following songs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monkey See Monkey Do • 5 Little Monkeys swinging in the Tree! • 5 Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed! • One Elephant went out to Play • Do You Know the Jungle? 	<p>Dramatic Role Play (prepared by the Big Dippers)</p> <p>This week the children will be pretending to be field scientists in the jungle. Field journals, tents, camping supplies, safari and other jungle camping props will be provided for the children. Children can experience through their play what it means to study jungle animals through scientific discovery and play.</p>	<p>Science/Sensory (prepared by the Comets)</p> <p>We will make Safari trail mix, create rain forest water using blue food coloring along with mint leaves, and play the paw print identification game.</p>
<p>Closing Gathering: (prepared by the Supernovas) We will explore jungle animals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eric Carle's <i>From Head to Toe</i> • Making jungle animal noises • Elephant round-up song and dance 	<p>Art and Construction (prepared by the Starbursts) The Starburst will create a Safari truck with a jungle /safari backdrop. We will animal masks. The teachers will pretend to be tour guides.</p>	<p>Music and Movement (prepared by the Superstars) The Superstars will use animal masks, scarfs, banana leaves, and straw hats to dance and move to animal action songs. We will also pretend to go on a safari hunt adapted from the Bear Hunt song.</p>
<p>Garden to Table/Cooking (prepared by the Horizons) The children will use herbs from the garden to make different flavors of lemonade and herb butters. They will also engage in a weed safari in the garden as they hunt for weeds and plants that do not belong. Finally, we will experiment with different leaves to see if adding different liquids will instigate color and texture changes.</p>		
<p>Water Play Friday It is an essential childhood summer experience to play in water and the hose. We plan activities that incorporate math, science, and sensory experiences while encouraging the children to discuss their experiences with other.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Superstars will use spray bottles to spray and wash the animals in the sensory table. • The Starburst will create a rain forest • The Comets will have more rain forest water with safari animals in the sensory table. • The Big Dippers will have mud, sticks, leaves, small animals, and water in our sensory table to replicate a wet and swampy jungle pond. • The Horizons will create jungle swamp water for children to experiment with while providing rafts for them to float. • The Supernovas will have boggy sensory table with jungle animals 		
<p>Extended Adventure Camp In Adventure Art Camp this week, the children will create around the theme of jungle animals. They will make large posters of different jungle animals. They will become the animals as they design and create jungle animal masks. Finally, they will develop houses and animal lookouts in order to pretend to observe the animals in the jungle.</p>		
<p>Classroom Extensions</p>		
<p>Wacky Wednesday Classroom Activities</p>		
<p>Family Organization Wacky Wednesday Event We have planned the following activity for the enjoyment of the experience. Miss Angela will come tell and sing stories to us.</p>		