

ANIMAL WEEK

Monday

Activity: Pick an animal

Tuesday

Field Trip: Oregon Zoo

Wednesday

Activity: Creating our habitat

Thursday

Activity: Build a Bird House

Friday

Activity: Bird Beaks

About Animal Week

During Animals Week, we will visit the library to research an animal of each child's choice. They will learn about their selected animal, and then we will take a trip to the zoo to discover its habitat and diet. The following day will be dedicated to creating our own habitat based on what we learned at the zoo. We will wrap up the week by exploring the birds in our own backyards and constructing a birdhouse.

I- Monday



Today, we will choose an animal that resides at the Oregon Zoo. Our plan is to visit the library to conduct some in-depth research on our selected creature. We will explore its diet, sleeping habits, and habitat, as well as its behavior and role in the ecosystem. Additionally, we might look into any conservation efforts related to the animal and how it interacts with other species in its environment. This research will help us gain a comprehensive understanding of the animal and its significance in the wild.

2-Tuesday



Our field trip will lead us to the Oregon Zoo, where we will have the exciting opportunity to observe the animal we have selected for our research in its naturalistic setting. During our visit, we will take detailed notes on its habitat, behavior, and any other relevant information that will aid us in our studies throughout the week. This hands-on experience will allow us to see firsthand how the animal interacts with its environment and other species, enriching our understanding of its role in the ecosystem. .

3-Wednesday



In today's activity, each child will work independently on their projects, utilizing the notes and research they gathered throughout the week to design a realistic habitat for their chosen animal. They will focus on key elements such as climate, geography, and available resources to create a detailed model or visual representation of their habitat. This hands-on experience will deepen their understanding of ecosystems while allowing them to express their creativity.

4-Thursday

Today, we'll embark on an exciting exploration of the various birds that can be spotted in our backyard. This activity will not only sharpen our observational skills but also deepen our appreciation for nature. As we observe, we'll document our findings in a journal, noting the types of birds we see, their sizes, colors, and any interesting behaviors. In addition to bird watching, we'll take on a fun project: constructing our very own birdhouses to take home. We'll discuss the importance of providing shelter for birds and what materials are best suited for building a bird-friendly home. By the end of the day, we'll leave with new knowledge, cherished memories, and a personal birdhouse ready to attract feathered friends to our backyards.

5-Friday

Today, we'll explore the various types of bird beaks and their functions. Birds have evolved unique beaks suited to their feeding habits and environments. For example, a hummingbird's long beak is perfect for nectar, while a parrot's strong beak is designed for cracking nuts. We'll use materials like paper, clay, or recycled items to create models of different beak shapes, allowing us to experience life as birds. This hands-on activity will enhance our understanding of bird adaptations and promote creativity and teamwork as we share our creations. By the end, we'll appreciate the diversity of avian life and how birds adapt to their environments. Let's begin our journey into the avian world!