

Week of _____ Topic #7.1 Rabbits and Squirrels _____ Caregiver(s) _____

Big Ideas

- Rabbits have soft fur.
- Rabbits can hop.
- Squirrels can run and they can climb trees.
- Rabbits have short fluffy tails.
- Squirrels have long bushy tails.

Changes to the Environment

Language Materials / Books	Manipulative Exploration	Gross Motor Materials & Equipment / Blocks	Sensory Exploration	Pretend Play	Outdoor Exploration
Add pictures of rabbits and squirrels Add book: <i>Gray Squirrel</i> , <i>Gray Squirrel</i> , <i>What Do You See?</i>	Add animal puzzles; Match the animals cards	Add trucks for hauling animals, small vinyl animals	Picking up Cotton Balls	Add stuffed rabbit in a basket and pictures of rabbits and squirrels	Look for squirrels on the playground if there are large trees

Experiences for the Week

Day	Books	Fingerplays, Language and Cognitive	Self, Social and Emotional	Sensory, Art, Nutrition	Movement, Music, and Gross Motor	Transition Times
Monday	First Reading of: <i>The Tale of Peter Rabbit</i> – p. 2	FP or Song: I Saw Three – p. 5 Game: Name the Animal – p. 6	Goodnight Rabbit – p. 7	Lots of Animals Mural – p. 7	Hopping Bunnies and Climbing Squirrels – p. 8	Name the Animal Cube – p. 9
Tuesday	First Reading of: <i>Gray Squirrel</i> , <i>Gray Squirrel</i> , <i>What Do You See?</i> – p. 4	FP or Song: Gray Squirrel – p. 5 Game: Match the Animals – p. 6	Goodnight Rabbit – p. 7	Lots of Animals Mural – p. 7	Hopping Bunnies and Climbing Squirrels – p. 8	Match the Animal Cards – p. 9
Wednesday	First Reading of: <i>Runaway Bunny</i> – p. 3	FP or Song: I Say Three – p. 5 Storytelling: <i>Gray Squirrel</i> , <i>Gray Squirrel</i> , <i>What Do You See?</i> – p. 5	Goodnight Rabbit – p. 7	Picking up Cotton Balls – p. 8	Hopping Bunnies and Climbing Squirrels – p. 8	Name the Animal Cube – p. 9
Thursday	First Reading of: <i>Goodnight Moon</i> – p. 3	FP or Song: Nuts for Breakfast – p. 5 Game: Match the Animals – p. 6	Goodnight Rabbit – p. 7	Picking up Cotton Balls – p. 8	Hopping Bunnies and Climbing Squirrels – p. 8	Match the Animal Cards – p. 9
Friday	Second Reading of: <i>The Tale of Peter Rabbit</i> – p. 3	FP or Song: I Saw Three – p. 5 Storytelling: <i>The Tale of Peter Rabbit</i> – p. 5	Goodnight Rabbit – p. 7	Picking up Cotton Balls – p. 8	Hopping Bunnies and Climbing Squirrels – p. 8	Name the Animal Cube – p. 9