

Younger Toddler

Weekly Plan Sheet

Week of _____ Topic: #5.3 - Trees _____ Caregiver(s) _____

Big Ideas

- Trees are all around us; in our yard, in the park, on the playground.
- Trees give us shade.
- We can have fun in the shade of trees.
- Birds live in trees.

Changes to the Environment

Language Materials / Books	Manipulative Exploration	Gross Motor Materials & Equipment / Blocks	Sensory Exploration	Pretend Play	Outdoor Exploration
Add books: I Like Trees, If I Were a Bird	Add leaf match	Add small tree branches and evergreen boughs, trucks for hauling branches and boughs	Things That Grow on Trees Feely Bag	Add pine cones and evergreen boughs in a basket	Involve children in locating their special tree, Hang wind chimes from the branch of a tree, Go on a sensory walk, Take a basket of toys and place under a tree

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	Select from classroom library	FP or Song: Oak Tree – p. 5 Game: Leaf Match – p. 6	Our Special Tree – p. 7	Things that Grow on Trees Feely Bag – p. 9	Leaf Dance – p. 10	One Brown Pine Cone – p. 10
Tuesday	First Reading of: <i>If I Were a Blue Bird</i> – p. 3	FP or Song: The Apple Tree – p. 6 Experience: Feeding the Birds – p. 6	Our Special Tree – p. 7	Things that Grow on Trees Feely Bag – p. 9	Leaf Dance – p. 10	Match This Leaf – p. 11
Wednesday	Second Reading of: <i>I Like Trees</i> -p. 2	FP or Song: Oak Tree – p. 5	This Tree Is Our Friend – p. 8	Things that Grow on Trees Feely Bag – p. 9	Leaf Dance – p. 10	One Brown Pine Cone – p. 10
Thursday	Second Reading of: <i>If I Were a Blue Bird</i> – p. 3	FP or Song: Ten Little Leaves – p. 4	This Tree Is Our Friend – p. 8	Things that Grow on Trees Feely Bag – p. 9	Leaf Dance – p. 10	Match This Leaf – p. 11
Friday	Select from classroom library	FP or Song: Five Yellow Birds – p. 4	This Tree Is Our Friend – p. 8	Things that Grow on Trees Feely Bag – p. 9	Leaf Dance – p. 10	One Brown Pine Cone – p. 10