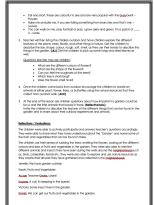


# Wonders of Nature

"How many dry leaves do





The children were introduced to the story 'An Adventure in a City in a Garden' by Hui-Ling Chua.



"I'm using the twigs to create my spider's legs." — Takhta





The children were encouraged to observe and talk about the different types of plants, insects or animals found the neighbourhood environment.

They were then tasked to collect natural resources such as twigs, leaves, flowers, rocks, etc.







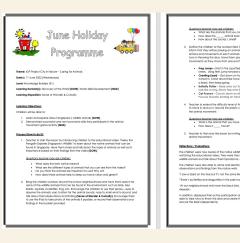


### **Learning Objectives**

- Children will be able to share and talk about the natural environment in the neighbourhood (L&L).
- Children will be able to create a 2-dimensional nature collage using natural resources (ACE).

The children were tasked to create a collage of trees, flowers or animals of their choice using the natural resources collected.

## Widlife Animals



The children were then encouraged to practice gross motor skills by imitating the animal movements as they move from one end to another.



"I'm a monkey, swinging from tree to tree."



The children were introduced to the educational video 'Peeky the Pangolin Explores Singapore's Widlife' .







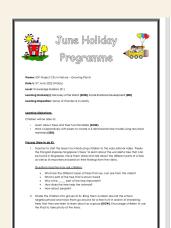


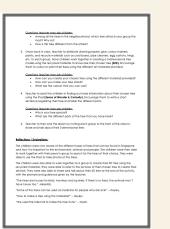
### **Learning Objectives**

- Children will be able to create patterns using the animal counters (NUM).
- Children will be able to demonstrate locomotor and non-locomotor skills as they participate in the animal movement game activity (MSD).

The children were tasked to create patterns using the animal counters provided.

## Trees, Trees, Trees







The children were encouraged work in groups to go around the neighbourhood for a tree hunt in search of an interesting tree that they are keen to learn about.



The children were introduced to the educational video 'Peeky the Pangolin Explores Singapore's Trees' .







"There's a lot of small leaves growing on this tree trunk!" – Akeefah



The children were then tasked to work together in groups to créate

a 3-dimensional tree model using recycled materials to

showcase their chosen tree.

"We are pasting the



### **Learning Objectives**

- Children will be able to learn about trees and their functionalities (DOW).
- Children will be able to work cooperatively with peers to create a 3-dimensional tree model using recycled materials (SED).

# What Can We Plant?



trees and vegetable plants on the paper and label them accordingly.

The children were then

tasked draw the fruit





"The banana

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The children watched educational videos on how to grow a fruit tree and a vegetable plant.





The children were encouraged to observe the natural environment and identify the fruit trees and vegetable plants found in the garden.

> "There's so many tomato seeds inside." Dylan

### **Learning Objectives**

- Children will be able to use eye-hand coordination to perform fine motor tasks such as drawing and writing (MSD).
- Children will be able to explore seeds from different types of fruits and vegetables (DOW).



The children were then encouraged to use the magnifying glass to observe and explore the seeds of the fruits and vegetables.

## Seed Germination



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"Buddy's always hungry. After the eart the fruit and vegetables, he will collect the seeds."

"Hoyey."

"After the seeds starts to grow roots and stems, then what should we do?." – tazan,

At the end of the activity, the children were able to record and draw a picture of their s
little seed on the activity street provided.

The children were introduced to the story 'Seeds! Seeds! Seeds! Seeds! Seeds! Elizabeth Wallace.

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"The plant is about

The bags were taped to the window for direct sunlight exposure.

The children were then introduced to the process of germinating seeds in a bag.



"Must put the seed inside the cotton wool after this."

- Sabrina

The children were encouraged to observe and record their seed / plant growth each day.



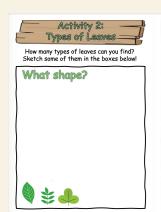


15cm long!"

### **Learning Objectives**

- Children will be able to show understanding of the story 'Seeds! Seeds!' by responding to questions and talking about the characters and events (L&L).
- Children will be able to learn how to germinate seeds in a bag using cotton wool (DOW).

## Field Trip @ Jacob Ballas Children's Garden











The children discovered various types of leaves (different shapes, sizes and textures) at Jacob Ballas Children's Garden. They used their sense of sight and touch as well as tools such as magnifying glass to make a closer examination of the leaves and record them in their activity booklet.











The children sighted wildlife animals (rooster, chicken, fish, terapins, butterflies and squirrels) during their field trip. They used the camera from the iPad to capture their experiences and document them in their activity booklet as well.

# Field Trip @ Jacob Ballas Children's Garden



The children maneuvered their way in and out of the maze and identified the different pictures of animals on the gate.







## School & Home Gardening





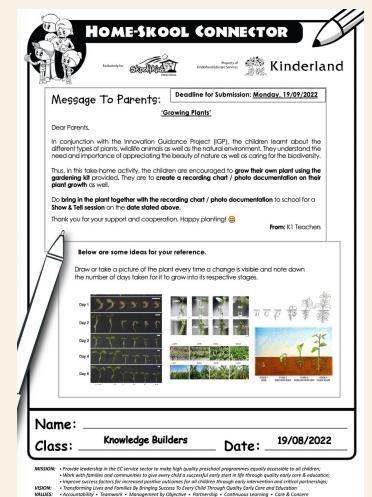






Children involved in the mini school garden project.

They were encouraged to bring in 1.5 litre bottles and to grow their choice of edible plants.





Gardening kits were distributed as take-home activity to encourage parents' involvement in home gardening.

## Teachers' Reflections

## **Learning Points**

- Teachers are able to integrate the educational resources provided by Nparks and tailor lesson plans based on children's learning needs and interests.
- The children were all engaged in the different activities planned during the field trip.

  They were able to gain much knowledge about the different types of plants, trees,

  flowers and wildlife animals found at the Jacob Ballas Children's Garden.
- The children were also excited to be involved in the gardening activities in school as well as at home as they were able to do hands-on planting by themselves. They were eager to see the outcome of their planting each day.

## Challenges

- The process of seed germination was unsuccessful. Teachers overlooked in opening the Ziploc bag a day before the centre closure (long weekend), resulting the overgrown plant to wilt before the transferring process.
- Due to increasing number of Covid and HFMD cases in the Centre, teachers had to postpone the Jacob Ballas Children's Garden field trip a few times. Thus, affecting other timeline of the Project especially for activities and events such as canvas painting and art exhibition cums charity sale.



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