



Ideas for 20 Minutes Outside

By: Generation Wild

Because quick nature breaks are the ultimate mood booster! Here are some ideas for a quick 20 minutes of outside time with the little ones.

HOST A MUD PARTY

Get the mud and fun flowing. Try mud painting. Make mud pies. Squish mud between your toes. All it takes is a big bucket, dirt and water and a little imagination.

ADD WATER & CHILL

Fish for marbles. Fill a baby pool with ice and water. Then add marbles and try to fish them out with your toes. Or do a frozen T-shirt challenge. Freeze tees and water in plastic bags. See which friend can break the ice to wear one first.

CAMP IN YOUR BACKYARD

Just pitch a tent or sleep under the stars in your yard. Make some s'mores and enjoy an adventure close to home and indoor toilets!

GO ON A COLOR SCAVENGER HUNT

Search for things outdoors that match colors of your choice. Could be flowers, bugs, the sky—whatever catches your eye. Bonus points if you capture a photo or drawing of what you find.

MAKE SUN PRINTS

Place colored construction paper outside in the sun. Make a design on top of it with leaves, sticks, rocks and other stuff. Then let it set out, and in a few hours, the sun will turn it into a wild piece of art. Don't forget to sign your masterpiece!

MAKE NATURE FOSSILS

Form clay into circular shapes about half-inch thick. Find interesting rocks, leaves, sticks and plants that you can press into each piece of clay and remove. Boom! Instant fossils.

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Please check Brightwheel every day. There is important information there! Also, make sure your child always has a change of clothes and/or diapers/pull-ups, if necessary. Thank You!

Caterpillars/Buttercup Butterflies



Summer fun! The Buttercups will be having water days three times a week: Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Also lots of exploring dinosaurs, farms and even a petting zoo! Please have your child supply a bathing suit, swimmers and towel.

-Meme, Ms. Stacey & Ms. Brittany

Pixie Butterflies

Hello Pixie families! For the month of June, Pixies will welcome the new season of summer by engaging in a variety of summer activities including water days Monday, Wednesday and Friday! Pixies will also finish their number book to share with families! We look forward to a wonderful new month!

- Ms. Vanessa, Ms. Ally & Ms. Andi



Elf Butterflies



This month we get to continue spreading our Elf Butterfly wings to grow our insect knowledge. As we are approaching summer, we ask that you please start bringing in a labeled bathing suit and towel for our water days on Wednesdays and Fridays over summer! Just like the Giant Water Bug, we are excited to splash.

-Ms. China & Ms. Deja

Julia Butterflies

This month we will start our summer program on June 6th. We will have water days on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, movie days on Wednesday mornings and a visit from the petting zoo. We will need a bathing suit and towel labeled with your child's name on each item to be left at school for our water days. We look forward to a fun month of June!

-Ms. Paige & Ms. Fallon





Ms. Fallon's Birthday—June 20th

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SET UP A TOY CARWASH

Here's something cool to do on a hot day. Grab your toy trucks and cars and hold your own mini carwash. And if a water fight happens to break out, it'll be even cooler..

PLAY FLASHLIGHT TAG

At dusk, grab some friends and a flashlight, and it's game on! Whoever gets tagged with the light beam is it.

MAKE LEAF ZOMBIES

Collect rocks and interestingly shaped leaves and make zombie, ghost and monster faces out of them.

FEED YOUR BIRD CURIOSITY

Hang up a bird feeder and then sit back and watch the airshow. Keep a list of how many birds visit, make drawings of them and keep it all in a journal.

“COLLECT” SOME BUGS

Grab a camera and explore your yard or local park. See how many bugs you can add to your photo collection. If you're nice, they might even smile for the camera.

MAKE A ROLY-POLY HABITAT

Get a container that allows for airflow, and fill it with dirt, dead leaves, rotting wood and moss. Then add some roly-polies. After having some fun watching it, set them free.

GO ON A SAFARI

Have someone hide toy animals outside and let the search begin. If they're hidden too well, hints like “cold!”, “warm!” and “hot!” will help guide you.

Craft Stick Wreath

This month's craft idea is for the little older kids and grown-ups alike. It can be modified for the little kids by using Elmer's glue instead of hot glue.

What you will need:

- Craft Sticks
- Marker for Designs
- White Paper Plate
- Scissors
- Paint
- Hot Glue Gun and Glue
- Hole Punch



1. Using a round dessert plate, draw a circle on the white paper plate roughly 4-5" in diameter. Cut out the circle.
2. Paint the plate a nice background color that matches your craft stick palette. Let dry. Design your craft sticks with the marker while the plate is drying.
3. Start laying out your craft sticks around the paper plate. Start by placing the sticks in the 12,3,6 and 9 o'clock positions. Align the tip of the stick with the edge of the center hole and glue them down.
4. Continue filling in the remaining spaces with the craft sticks and glue down the sticks as you go. Fill up the entire plate.
5. Punch a hole in the top of the plate to be able to hand your wreath.

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Super Supper

**Taco Pie
w/ Fruit**
Pick-up day
is Thursday,
June 9th.

**Pulled Pork
w/ Potato
Salad &
Baked
Beans**
Pick-up day
is Friday,
June 17th.

\$5.00 each
**Payment is
due before
pick-up**

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Vision:

The Winter Park Day Nursery will build a stronger community by providing high-quality, affordable early childhood education that will prepare our children to succeed in school and life.

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