

Playgroup: The Natural World

2 January to 24 March 2019



Week One: Encounters with Our World

Week Two: Colours, Patterns & Textures of the Natural World Part One

Week Three: Colours, Patterns & Textures of the Natural World Part Two

Week Four: Inhabitants of the Natural World Part One

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Week Six: Habitats and Terrains Part One

Week Seven: Habitats and Terrains Part Two

Week Eight: Sights, Sounds and Smells of the Natural World

Week Nine: Wonders of the Natural World

Week Ten: Creativity of the Natural World

Week Eleven: Nature and Technology

Week Twelve: Nature Meets its new Partner: **Metal**

Inspiration: The Natural World

This weekly Playgroup series takes children on a voyage through the colours, sights, sounds, textures, environments and inhabitants of the amazing world around us.

Children are born with an innate curiosity and with a genuine desire to connect with the world, and with the real life experiences, materials, terrains and animals in it. This inspired Playgroup series will bring this natural interest to life, taking advantage of the unlimited and unmatched possibilities the natural world provides us.

Feel the grass in between your toes, the rain on your skin and the smoothness of river rocks in little hands as we create sensorial explorations that bring the joys of nature into real interactions with elements from the rainforests, the deserts, the lakes and skies.

Enjoy light table play investigating the veins of a leaf, watch larger than life projections of rainforest animals or a starfish by the seaside, study the weaves and dew drops in a spider's web and trace the patterns of an animal's stripes or spots with little fingers guided by yours.

We also welcome your contributions during this series perhaps collecting some of the natural wonders your child comes across during walks by the beach or play times in the park for materials such as seashells, feathers, wooden objects, pine cones, smooth pebbles, seed pods and all other beautiful tokens from nature that spark intrigue and curiosity.

We look forward to exploring all of the Natural Wonders of the World together.



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