



## Nature Discovery Camp 2016

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### **AGE GROUPS:**

Turtle Tots (3 years-5 years) 9am-12:30pm

**OR 1:30pm-3:00pm sessions offered during weeks 2 - 5 only**

Explorers (1<sup>st</sup> grade – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) 9am- 3:00pm

Hawks (4<sup>th</sup> grade – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) 9am- 3:00pm (select weeks)

### **June 27 – June 30, 2016:**

**Curious Campers** (Turtle Tots, Explorers, Hawks)

What makes a rock glow? Who's living in our water? Campers will transform into scientists for a week of nature-based science explorations and experiments!

### **July 5 – July 8, 2016:**

**Super Senses** (Turtle Tots 9am OR 1:30pm sessions)

Smell, see, touch hear and taste this summer as we use our five senses to make our way around the Arboretum. We'll learn the unique ways animals use their senses and why we too depend on them every day.

**Art in Nature** (Explorers)

Nature is the canvas on which we can let our imaginations wander. Together we will explore the symmetry, texture and color that nature gives us in a week full of nature-based creations.

### **July 11 – July 15, 2016:**

**Wonderful World of Water** (Turtle Tots 9am OR 1:30pm sessions, Explorers)

From snowflakes to your water bottle water is everywhere! Get ready for a week of water games, studies, and experiments to understand why water is important to all living things.

### **July 18 – July 22, 2016:**

**Insect Investigations** (Turtle Tots 9am OR 1:30pm sessions, Explorers)

Who would win in a race- a centipede or a harvestman? Find out as we explore the world of insects, and discover how these "creepy crawlies" are more help than harm.

### **July 25 – July 29, 2016:**

**Fur, Feathers, Slime and Scales** (Turtle Tots 9am OR 1:30pm sessions, Explorers)

Why are frogs so slimy? Can an owl really turn its head all the way around? We will answer these questions and more as we spend our days learning about the wacky and wild animals of our world.

### **August 1 – August 5, 2016:**

**What's that Habitat?** (Turtle Tots 9am OR 1:30pm sessions, Explorers, Hawks)

What we may overlook some might call home. We will spend this week exploring various environments of the Animal Kingdom and discuss helpful hints for a healthy habitat.

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### **August 8 – August 12, 2016:**

#### **Art in Nature** (Turtle Tots)

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#### **Survival Games** (Explorers, Hawks)

If you were lost in the woods how would you survive? Along with a naturalist-educator campers will learn basic skills from shelter building, map and compass orienteering, first aid, and more. They'll have a blast putting their new skills to test in our 16 acres woodlands!

### **August 15 – August 19, 2016:**

#### **Dig into Dirt** (Turtle Tots, Explorers, Hawks)

There's a treasure trove of life buried below our feet! Together we will investigate the secret life of soil, discover delightful decomposers, and even conduct some soil experiments! Let's find out how a little bit of dirt never hurt, on our last week of earthy fun!