

## Celebrations of Nature

12 Nov 10:30

Duty six : Purple

Start	Time	Activity	Requirements	Instructions	Scouter
<b>There are many celebrations related to Earth and nature</b>					
12 Nov 10:30	5	<b>Activities</b> : Opening	Register, beans, flag, totem and skin	Grand Howl Flag Break Register Inspection - belts and shoes	Akela
<b>Thunder and lightening can be very very frightening</b>					
12 Nov 10:35	10	<b>Game</b> : Thunder and Lightning		Cubs round around. The leader claps his/her hands any number of times and the Cubs must immediately catch each other's hands, in circles of the same numbers of players as handclaps. For example: if the leader claps five times, there will be five Cubs in each circle. All odd Cubs lose a life. The Cubs then resume their running around until the leader claps again. The Cub who loses the least number of lives wins.	Riki
<b>Recently, South Africa hosted the Convention on Climate Change - all about saving our planet and the animals that live here with us.</b>					
12 Nov 10:45	30	<b>Crafts</b> : Earth Day Clock	Clock mechanisms Paper plates, CD's or old records Various natural materials to decorate (bark, feathers, shells, etc.)	Cubs to decorate a clock face with natural materials or draw a picture to remind them every day that we need to look after our world. They can be creative - cut out leaf shapes or flower shapes to decorate with, use natural materials such as bark and feathers. Paint a picture or even write the outdoor code on to the clock face.  <b>Outdoor Code of the South African Scout Association</b>  I will treat the outdoors - our veld, rivers and mountains - as a heritage to be cherished and protected; and to be enriched for our own greater enjoyment and for future generations.  I will learn to understand nature and her ways.  I will learn how to practice conservation of soil, water, forests, grasslands and wildlife, and urge others to do the same.  I will treat public and private land with	Akela

				<p>respect, remembering that the use of the outdoors is a privilege.</p> <p>I will prevent fires and build my own fire in a safe place, and be sure it is out before I depart.</p> <p>I will keep my litter and garbage out of South African waters fields, woods, veld and roadways.</p> <p>Whenever I take from nature for my own use, I will endeavour to return a share of her bounty.</p>	
At the beginning of the growing season almost all South Africans appeal to the ancestors for rain					
12 Nov 11:15	5	Activities : Juice and biscuits		Juice and biscuit break	Akela
Who here can swim? Want to hear a story about swimming?					
12 Nov 11:20	10	Yarn : Dennis learns a lesson		See attached	Raksha
We have two lifeguards here today. They are going to help us use our knots to save someone from drowning					
12 Nov 11:30	20	Game : Life Line		<p><b>Revision:</b> Life Line</p> <p><i>If it rains too much, the rivers may flood.</i></p> <p>Draw two lines to represent a river. One Cub in each Six is drowning in the river, the rest of the Six has to save the Cub. Have a short rope for each person, the rest of the Six are to tie the ropes together to make a long rope (using reef knots), the line is thrown to the drowning Cub who ties a bowline around their waist and is then pulled to safety by the Six.</p>	Mor
Where did the raindrop land?					
12 Nov 11:50	10	Plays : Magic Raindrop Ride	List of places around the world, written on pieces of paper	See attached	Raksha
Can you hear the rain coming?					
12 Nov 12:00	10	Plays : Make a rainstorm	None	See attached	Riki
As the rain fills our dams, remember to be safe, still be careful of how you use water and practice the outdoor code					
12 Nov 12:10	5	Activities : Closing	<p>Totem, Skin</p> <p>Badges, certificates</p>	<p>Announcements</p> <p>Badge handouts</p> <p>Grand Howl</p> <p>Flag Down</p> <p>Prayer</p> <p>Dismiss</p>	Akela



## Dennis learns a lesson

Category

Yarn

Time to allocate (mins)

5

**Yarn:**

### Dennis learns a lesson

It was Dennis' birthday. His Dad Tobey took him and his friends down to the river bank for a picnic party. His Mom packed a picnic basket full of things that boys love best – hotdogs, chips, cake, sweets and juice. The boys enjoyed the picnic but soon tummies were full and Tobey was feeling drowsy. The boys asked if they could go for a walk along the path that followed the river and Tobey agreed providing they stayed away from the water's edge.

The boys walked along, stopping now and again to investigate something or other, now and again running, tumbling and generally just being "boys". They had gone quite far and were feeling rather hot when Graham suggested they sit under a shady tree for a while to cool off.

Then ... Dennis had a brain wave – "Oh boy! Why don't we swim in the river and cool off?"

Graham: "Don't be silly Dennis, how can we do that? This is not a swimming pool or a beach where they have special areas for swimming. You know you can only swim where there are signs saying you can."

Dennis: "But it's not a pool or the beach so we can just swim anywhere."

Ivan: "That's just it, we don't know these waters and you can't swim in waters you don't know. There could be undercurrents or all sorts of other hidden dangers, besides Tobey told us to keep away from the water's edge."

Dennis: "But I've thought of that, there is an overhanging rock we could dive off and then we wouldn't be disobeying Tobey as we are not at the water's edge."

Jason: "Dennis, don't you know anything? You mustn't dive into water which you do not know and cannot see into. You may hit your head on more rocks below the surface, hurt yourself and maybe even drown."

Dennis: "But, what if one of you accidentally on purpose pushed me in and we could tell Tobey that we were running around and I accidentally got pushed into the river."

Adrian: "That won't work Dennis. We know that we're not allowed to run around or push people into pools of water."

Dennis: "But .... I'm really hot and I want to swim." 3

Derek: "You know Dennis, you really are being rather foolish. You know that you've just eaten a big plate of food that Tobey's wife sent, plus you had three ice cream cones. All that will happen is that you're going to get a cramp if you swim now."

Dennis: "But .... I wouldn't swim too far. Just to that island we can see from here."

Basil: "That island may not seem far but remember you still have to come back and we all know that you should get out of the water before you get too tired."

Dennis: "But ... Oh I'm tired of arguing with you guys. I'm going to swim anyway."

Richard: "Oh no, we can't let you do that because it would mean that you will be swimming alone and you know that you have to use the "Buddy" system

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when you swim. If you got into trouble there is no way in which we could help you and there is nothing around here that we could throw to you to use as a float. I'm sorry Dennis, swimming is out!"

Dennis: Realising just how stupid he had been says "OK guys. I'm sorry for being so stupid, but tell me one thing – what makes you guys so clever?"

Sean: "We're Cubs! .... Dennis, why don't you join us at Cubs next week and share in the fun and adventures we have?"

***Revise all the water safety rules covered in the yarn and add in any extras you feel necessary .***

Magic Raindrop Ride

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Category	Plays
Time to allocate (mins)	5
Resources	List of places around the world, written on pieces of paper
	<b><i>Raindrops fall all over the world – where did yours land?</i></b>
Play	Give each Six (or groups of 3) a slip of paper telling them where their raindrop landed. Choose places relevant to your Packs experience. Give them all 5 to 10 minutes to prepare a mime of where they are. Other Cubs can then guess.

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Entry written by Sharon Venn of 1st Randburg

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**Make a rainstorm**

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Category	Plays
Time to allocate (mins)	5
Resources	None
Play	As a Pack, start by tapping one finger on each hand together. Keep adding fingers until everyone is clapping (the storm). The storm goes away as you take one finger away at a time.

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