

The Circle of Life

Themed Curriculum Web

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- This theme curriculum unit was inspired by Unit three: All About Us, in the New York City disciplinary units of study. it applies developmentally appropriate practice and is designed in conjunction with the NYS Pre-K foundation for the Common Core
- Throughout this curriculum, Pre-K students will consider the question “Why is taking care of the environment important?”By doing so they will find out what makes nature beautiful, Why it is something that needs to be respected and valued, and what makes it something that needs to be taken care of.
- Each **sub theme** explores the theme the circle of life through a different perspective while providing students with activities to develop across all

Flowers

Book: Flowers by Vijaya Khisty Bodach

1. **Play:** Create a play about flowers
2. **Painting:** painting with flower
3. **Frossen Flower:** freeze a flower they like



The Environment

Book: The Earth gives more by Sue Fliess

Song: Garden Song by Dinosaur Train

1. **Museum-** cataloged the different plants
2. **Painting-** paint a earth
3. **Arts and Crafts-** Build a water cycle chamber



How to care for plants

Book: The tiny seed by Eric Carle

1. **Song:** Create a class song that will be sung to the plants using planting tools
2. **grass house-** Build a house out of sponges and grow a plant
3. **Walking trip:** recommend a walking trip to find plants growing in unusual places, to bring their awareness to how plants can grow in many kinds of ways



Bees

Book: Flight of the honeybee by Raymond Huber

1. **Beehive-** Build a paper mache beehive
2. **Bee-** Build a paper mache bee
3. **Food-** Make honey



The lifespan of apple trees

Book: The apple tree by. John Rebholz

1. **Apple tree-** Build a classroom apple tree
2. **Fruit-** Watch the decay process of a fruit
3. **Farm-** Visit an apple farm

