

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

PRE-K

Discover Farm Animals

45 minutes

We'll bring barnyard animals to your preschool. Children will sing farm songs, encounter a sheep and two other farm animals and learn how farm animals provide food for us.

To register for this program, call 440-256-2122.



at Farmpark or your site

Farm Animals Up Close

October 18 through April 1

2.5 hours, including time for lunch

Young children encounter farm animals to gain respect for how farmers raise and care for them. Kids sing about farm animals, milk a cow, visit the stables and encounter farm animals in the Well-Bred Shed. Program also available for kindergarten. To register for this program, call 440-256-2122.



at Farmpark

Stone Soup

September through April 1

3 hours, including time for lunch

After listening to the classic tale "Stone Soup," children harvest vegetables for their soup from the garden in the fall or herbs from the greenhouse in the winter. They then chop vegetables to create a healthy, enjoyable soup to share.

While the soup is cooking they visit the farm and child-sized Farmers' Market where they choose healthy servings of fruits and vegetables. This program is also available for kindergarten. To register for this program, call 440-256-2122.



at Farmpark

Little Lambs & Little Sprouts

April only

3 hours, including time for lunch

Preschoolers discover new life on the farm. Youngsters encounter spring lambs and piglets and learn how we provide for the needs of young animals. In the greenhouse, they prepare for spring planting when they transplant seedlings to take home and watch grow. They listen to a story about spring lambs and have time for optional free play in Farmpark's Play Space or time to milk a cow. Please specify choice when scheduling.

To register for this program, call 440-256-2122.



at Farmpark

Ice Cream Making

(See page 8 for program description)

Quilts!

(See page 15 for program description)

Motion Matters

1 hour

We are always on the move! Learn how to move and play safely using different locomotor movements. What else moves and uses energy? Planes, boats, cars and rockets are just a few. Explore the many ways things can move and what we need to move them. This program is also available for kindergarten.

To register for this program, call 440-256-2126.



at any park or your site

Feelin' Wild

45 minutes

Explore the textures found in nature. Students use their senses to discover the world of animals. Touch real snakeskin, fur, shells, feathers and more.

To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation or your site

Can I Keep It?

45 minutes

Do wild animals make good pets? NO! What can you do if you find a wild animal? Investigate the amazing differences between wild animals and your pets. Learn what wild animals need to survive and why we need to keep wildlife wild. To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation or your site

Wacky Wetlands

45 minutes

Learn about wetlands and the animals that live there! Meet a live duck and its friends that live in wetland habitats. It's guaranteed to be a wacky time!

To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation or your site

Seasonal age and developmentally appropriate programs are available for your group of ten or more at a park or your site. Programs are listed in the Lake Metroparks Parks Plus! activity guide. Please call 440-256-3808 for more information.

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Sensational Senses

1.5 hours • fall, winter, spring

Experiment with your senses on a sens-a-tional nature hike and learn how animals use their senses to survive. Use the Sensory Tool Box and observe how animal senses compare to those of humans. Program also available for kindergarten. **To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.**



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation, Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park or your site

Nature's Gifts

1 to 1.5 hours • November 16 through January 7

This is the time of year for giving and receiving gifts. Meet a woodland character, make a gift for the birds and search for nature's gifts on a woodland hike. Hear the story of Nature's Gifts in a beautiful winter setting. Program also available for grades K-2.

To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation, Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park or your site

Seasonal Discoveries

(See page 9 for program description)

Snowdrop, Harry & Herman

Special winter exhibit program available limited hours

1 hour • November 23 through December 31

Join three friends in a search through a color-filled wonderland. Enjoy a guided tour of the Snowdrop's Adventure Game exhibit, hear a story about Snowdrop the white deer, Harry the hare and Herman the ermine and hike the winter woods in search of color and winter wildlife.

See page 9 for exhibit programs for K-2 and 3-5.

To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation

Park-wise Puppets Presents

1 hour • fall, winter, spring

Let puppets introduce your preschoolers to habitats, animal tracks, animal observations and nature study. Programs will include a fun, brief introductory puppet show, hands-on activities and games or a craft and a discovery hike. A clever song to reinforce the theme will complete each program. Programs can be presented at the park or at your site. Each below is a separate program.

To register for these programs, call 440-358-7275.

Park-wise Puppets Presents: Habitat This & That

Discover what a habitat is and why animals need one. Help the puppet cast find the best home.

Park-wise Puppets Presents: Tracks & Trails

Learn how to spot animal tracks and discover footprints of some common animals. Discover what we can learn from the signs animals leave behind.

Park-wise Puppets Presents: Backyard Critters

Do you think wildlife is only found in the parks or at the zoo? The puppet cast will show you that wildlife is all around no matter where you live.



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation, Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park or your site

Wee Weatherwatchers

40 minutes (indoor) optional additional 10 minutes outdoors

Be weather wise by becoming aware of weather changes. Explore the sun and seasons, winds and clouds. This age appropriate program includes songs, puppets, experiments and lots of movement to keep your 3 to 5-year-olds engaged and excited! **To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.**



at Penitentiary Glen Reservation, Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park or your site

Starlight Express

1 hour

Little explorers will be introduced to the basics of astronomy through finger play, songs, puppets and a "nighttime" trip in the StarLab portable planetarium. A fun, age appropriate journey to the sun, moons, planets and stars! Minimum age for participants is 4 years old.

To register for this program, call 440-358-7275.



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