Outdoor Learning Lesson Plan by Nature Play QLD

Geography

Class:

Date:

Time:

Weather:

- The natural, managed and constructed features of places, their locations, how they change and how they can be cared for (ACHASSK031)
- Sort and record information and data, including location, in tables, on plans and labelled maps (ACHASSI036)



Resources:

- Natural objects to find and use
- Camera (Bonus Activity)
- Google Earth picture of the schoolyard (Bonus Activity)

Introduction: (15 mins)

Discuss examples of natural and constructed features in the school grounds and their differences.

Walk around the playground listing any natural and constructed features children observe.

Main Activity: (20 mins)

Discuss with the class the different natural and constructed features found by the children, whether they would change over time and how they could care for them.

In groups of 4 or 5, ask the children to create maps of their playground as if looking at it from the sky, using any natural objects they can find (sticks, rocks, leaves etc).

Discussion: (10 mins)

Encourage the children to share their maps with the class, and ask them to describe the various features and why they chose certain natural objects to represent the specific features.

Bonus Activity: (15 mins)

Take photographs of each of the groups' maps and compare these with a Google Earth or drone photograph of their playground. Ask what looks the same and what looks different.



