

## The Ultimate Camp Experience 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Here at Red Butte Garden, we believe learning is fun and can happen anytime, anywhere. To help continue the fun at home, we've included an outline of the topics we'll study at camp as well as a list of additional activities, books, and other resources related to this camp's theme. We hope you'll use this to engage with your camper and keep the learning process happening all summer long! Thanks for coming to Summer Camp, and we'll see you soon at the Garden!

## **CAMP THEME**

In this camp, campers will get up close and personal with plants as they explore the Garden and learn more about the amazing attributes of the Plant Kingdom. Campers will learn about the life cycle of plants, including pollination, seed dispersal, plant development, and more with hands-on activities, experiments, and cool crafts. In addition to these topics, make sure to ask your camper about:

- Morning Campers will explore the six main parts of a plant and learn how each part helps the plant complete its life cycle. They'll dissect flowers, explore seeds, discover the importance of fruits, and more all while completing cool experiments, creating artistic masterpieces, and exploring the Garden.
- Afternoon Campers will investigate pollinators and the important role they
  play in helping plants grow and reproduce. Through games, planting plants,
  pollinator observations, and more campers will discover the amazing things these
  little critters do and why they are a vital part of the environment.

## **EXTRA ACTIVITY IDEAS**

- Explore pollinators with our friends at the Pollinator Partnership
  - o <a href="http://www.pollinator.org">http://www.pollinator.org</a>
- Plant a Butterfly Garden
  - o http://tinyurl.com/Plant-Butterfly-Garden
- Explore Bees with NASA
  - o <a href="http://climatekids.nasa.gov/bees/">http://climatekids.nasa.gov/bees/</a>
- Come to the Garden and hunt for pollinators. Don't forget to checkout the Butterfly Walk in the Children's Garden!

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- The Magic School Bus Plants Seeds by Joanna Cole
- DK Eyewitness: Plant by David Burnie
- Disgusting Plants by Patrick Perish

