

THEME: Sweets

All Squirrels love sweets and there is such an amazing variety to choose from, the Squirrels will love to talk about their favourites during this delicious Programme!

An introductory activity can be used as the Squirrels arrive at the meeting place – colouring or simple puzzles can keep children occupied until all the Drey arrives or use a ‘joining-in’ style game, such as ‘The farmer wants a wife’ or a circle format ball game.

TIME (mins)	ACTIVITY	EQUIPMENT
5	Welcome, Register, Opening Ceremony, Introduction to Programme	
10	<p>GAME: Sweet Shop Corners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Place pictures around the walls of the meeting place</i> ○ <i>Squirrels run to the appropriate picture as the Leader calls the names of sweet treats at random</i> ○ <i>Choose easily recognised items such as, chocolate bar, ice cream cone, lollypop, etc.</i> 	<p>Pictures of sweet treats Blutack</p>
10	<p>GAME: Swap the Sweets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Divide the Drey into small teams, lined up at one end of the meeting place</i> ○ <i>Place a bowl beside each team and another for each team at the other end of the hall (this should be filled with sweets)</i> ○ <i>In turn each child runs down collects a sweet and brings it back and places it in the bowl</i> ○ <i>The next players runs down to collect their sweet and so on</i> ○ <i>If time allows each player can run twice</i> ○ <i>Squirrels could then sit down and eat their two sweets!</i> 	<p>Two bowls for each team Two wrapped sweets for each child Be aware of food allergies and avoid toffees</p>
10	<p>ACTIVITY: Sweetie Frieze</p> <p>Make a Drey frieze of all the favourite sweets that Squirrels like to eat. Encourage the children to draw giant sized sweets and make it really colourful. If your venue allows use bright poster paint and display in the meeting place to dry!</p>	<p>Length of wallpaper Art materials</p>
10	<p>GAME: The Sweet Shop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Squirrels stand in a circle</i> ○ <i>A Leader holds the tray with the sweets – this could be a selection of wrapped chocolates or mini bars which can be taken home at the end of the evening, watch for allergies</i> ○ <i>The Drey sings The Sweet Shop Song and acts the jump, skip and hop</i> ○ <i>When called by name that Squirrel stands up and chooses a sweet</i> ○ <i>Continue until everyone has had a turn</i> 	<p>Tray with a selection of well known brands of wrapped sweets Song words</p>



10	<p>GAME: Wobbly Sweets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>All children lie on their backs on the ground</i> ○ <i>A Leader places a wrapped sweet on each child's tummy or forehead</i> ○ <i>When every child has their sweet the Leader asks them to do activities which would make the sweet fall off</i> ○ <i>Tricks that could be tried could include, raising their feet in the air, shaking their arms, bending their knees up and down, touching their noses, singing 'Baa baa black sheep'!</i> ○ <i>Squirrels try to do these activities without their sweet falling off!</i> ○ <i>Everyone can eat their sweet at the end of the game!</i> 	Bag of wrapped sweets
5	Closing, Home	

The Sweet Shop Song

the tune of 'Five Currant Buns in a Baker's Shop'

Lots of sweets in the Sweetie Shop
 Come along, let's jump, skip and hop!
 In came (Squirrel's name) with a penny one day
 Chose a sweetie and took it right away!

