

THEME: Wigwam Fun

The theme of this Programme is Native American Indians, and could develop into an exciting parents' evening where some adults could help prepare the supper and assist with craft activities. Don't forget that any adult in contact with children should have completed the appropriate vetting forms.

Squirrels could rotate round several mini bases with everyone joining together for a Pow-wow at supper time! Perhaps Scout Leaders and some Scouts could come along to pitch a tent or erect a tepee of pioneering poles and some fabric and maybe lead some campfire songs as well!

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	GAME: Wigwam Corners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Attach simple pictures with a Native American theme around the walls – wigwam, horse, totem pole, canoe, etc.</i> ○ <i>When a Leader calls out the picture the Squirrels run to the corresponding place!</i> 	Simple pictures Blotack
10	CRAFT: Feather Headbands <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Measure a card strip for each child's head, the Squirrels can decorate these as they please ○ Secure with a staple to fit AND/OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ask the Squirrels to bring along an old plain T-shirt or buy some inexpensive ones ○ Fringe the end with scissors, the Squirrels can decorate with some Indian themed shapes on the front using markers or fabric pens 	Strips of card Art materials Coloured feathers Stapler & glue T-shirts Marker pens
10	CRAFT: Wigwam Fun <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Print wigwam shape on card, the Squirrels can decorate ○ Make into 3D wigwam and secure with glue, cut door flap AND/OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Drey could decorate a large sized wigwam made from pioneering poles and fabric. Use bright poster paints and large sized brushes – plenty of newspaper or plastic to cover the floor, old shirts or black bags with holes cut for head and arms can be used to try and keep Squirrels clean! 	Printed wigwam shape Art materials Glue/scissors Homemade Wigwam Paints & brushes Newspapers, etc. Wipes/kitchen roll
10	ACTIVITY: Pow-wow Supper Have a campfire style supper with cocktail sausages, drinks and chocolate treats! If using this Programme as a Parents' evening the sausages could be cooked on a BBQ, add rolls as adults may like a hotdog!	Refreshments



10	ACTIVITY: Circle Time Sing some campfire style songs in a circle format or tell an Indian themed story 'Brother Eagle, Sister Sky' with paintings by Susan Jeffers, published by Puffin ISBN 0 14 054514 X	
5	Closing, Home	

Make a Wigwam

