Tiny Traces Along Junction Creek – Early Spring Research Questions + Invitations

Possible Materials

Paper Pastels - oil and chalk

Pencils/graphite

Watercolours, if available

Tracing paper, if available

Research Questions

Children and families have been exploring the creek using our seasonal questions as prompts, then taking the research in new directions. We invite you to follow some of these questions, create your own, and share your questions and art with us!

Spring Sounds

What are the sounds of spring? Where do they come from? Can you draw these sounds? Can you map these sounds? What are these sounds telling us about the changes happening in the spring? What is the relationship between these sounds and the creek?

Spring Thaw

What is the journey of the snow? How does it go? And where is it going? Why does it go where it goes? Can you follow it? Can you paint the melting snow's pathways?

Spring Growth

How are the trees transforming, what do you imagine the buds will become? Can you paint what you imagine? How many different buds can you find? Can you create a series of drawings that show the buds budding over several days or weeks?

Spring Scents and Textures

What do the buds feel like? What words describe these textures? What other textures can you find? How might you draw a texture? Can you collect textures that you find in spring? How do the trees and buds smell in spring? Can you map the spring scents?

Spring Movements

How are the shadows changing? Is the sun shining onto different places along the creek now? Can you draw the shadows? Can you follow a bird and trace its pathways between sky and nest, between sky and its gathering places?

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