

Theme: Round the World - Canada	Meeting Type: Hall
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Time	Activity Description	Leader	Equipment Required:
4.30	Opening parade, Joey Scout Law		Flags – explain Joeys in UK and Canada and USA are called Beavers!
4.35	Ice Hockey		Newspaper sticks and ice pucks
4.50	Canadian presentation		(we had a visiting leader from Canada)
5.05	Activity – make Dream catchers		Wool, wire circles, beads, feather
5.20	Dream catcher story		
5.25	Closing parade, Bindi, Hop for Len		Flags, Bindi, passports
spare	Colour in Canadian flag		Flags, textas

LEADERS AVAILABLE:	
HELPERS:	
BINDI:	
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	
COMMENTS:	

Beaver Promise: I promise to love God and to help take care of the world.
 Beaver Law: A beaver has fun, works hard and helps his family and friends.
 Beaver Motto: Sharing, sharing, sharing

Games/Craft Information:

Ice Hockey – Split Joeys into 2 teams and allocate each a number (so there will be a number 1,2 etc on each team). Have them sit at either side of the Hall. Place chairs at each end of the Hall to form goals. Rolled up newspaper “hockey sticks” and ice puck in centre of Hall. Call a number and the two corresponding players run out and grab a stick each and try to score a goal. Encourage a lot of team support.

Dream Catcher

1. Wind the wool around the circle until it is completely covered with a thick layer of wool. Make a loop to hang the catcher from.
2. Create a net across the centre of the circle with wool or thread.
3. Add the feathers and beads to pieces of wool in the centre or hanging from the bottom.
4. Hang the catcher over your bed and sleep peacefully.

The Legend of the Dream Catcher

Long ago when the world was young, an old Lakota spiritual leader was on a high mountain and had a vision. In his vision, Iktomi, the great trickster and teacher of wisdom, appeared in the form of a spider.

Iktomi spoke to him in a sacred language that only the spiritual leaders of the Lakota could understand.

As he spoke Iktomi, the spider, took the elder's willow hoop which had feathers, horse hair, beads and offerings on it and began to spin a web.

He spoke to the elder about the cycles of life ... and how we begin our lives as infants and we move on to childhood, and then to adulthood. Finally, we go to old age where we must be taken care of as infants, completing the cycle.

"But," Iktomi said as he continued to spin his web, "in each time of life there are many forces -- some good and some bad. If you listen to the good forces, they will steer you in the right direction. But if you listen to the bad forces, they will hurt you and steer you in the wrong direction."

He continued, "There are many forces and different directions that can help or interfere with the harmony of nature, and also with the great spirit and all of his wonderful teachings." All the while the spider spoke, he continued to weave his web starting from the outside and working toward the centre.

When Iktomi finished speaking, he gave the Lakota elder the web and said... "See, the web is a perfect circle but there is a hole in the centre of the circle."

He said, "Use the web to help yourself and your people to reach your goals and make good use of your people's ideas, dreams and visions.

"If you believe in the great spirit, the web will catch your good ideas -- and the bad ones will go through the hole."

The Lakota elder passed on his vision to his people and now the Sioux Indians use the dream catcher as the web of their life.

It is hung above their beds or in their home to sift their dreams and visions.

The good in their dreams are captured in the web of life and carried with them...but the evil in their dreams escapes through the hole in the centre of the web and are no longer a part of them.

They believe that the dream catcher holds the destiny of their future.