

Islands and Volcanos					
	Theme	Geography	Circle & Share Day	Montessori	Enrichment Overview
Week 1 4/1-4/5	Islands & Volcanoes *How do islands form and grow? *How do volcanos form?	Australia/New Zealand/Pacific Islands *Australia *Great Barrier Reef	Calendar Routine Discussion: Australia Introduction Book: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Share Day (Friday): Favorite Book	Zoology: Turtle Botany: Palm Trees Science: Magma vs. Lava Art: Aboriginal Art Grace/Courtesy: Putting on a jacket	<p>Music: Exposure to traditional music from Australia, New Zealand & the Pacific Islands will happen during this month's Music classes. We also continue engaging in songs and movement activities. This month we will explore our songs about our planet Earth, Spring, Birds and Nature.</p> <p>Art: Children will have the opportunity to explore art from the Oceania Region to include traditional Aboriginal art, as well as masks and petroglyphs, painting, wood carving, stone carving and textile work which are other common art forms from the region. Contemporary Pacific art encompasses traditional styles, symbols, and materials, but now imagined in a diversity of contemporary forms, revealing the complexity of geographic, cultural and individual interaction and history.</p> <p>Cooking: Children will be exposed to one dish from the region of Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, as well as other recipes that will continue their practice of measuring, pouring, mixing and baking. Fun to eat snacks that are healthy will also be created by our young cooking friends.</p> <p>Computer: ABC Mouse will continue to guide children with a self-paced curriculum and track their progress through language, math and reading.</p> <p>Spanish: Children will learn the vocabulary for recycling and helping take care of the planet. They will read stories in Spanish about the Earth. They will continue practicing shapes, days of the week, months of the year and names of the seasons in Spanish. Music and Movement help engage the child's entire body in the activity and learning.</p>
Week 2 4/8-4/12	Islands & Volcanoes *How do islands form and grow? *How do volcanos form?	Australia/New Zealand/Pacific Islands *Aboriginal People *Outback	Calendar Routine Discussion: New Zealand Introduction Book: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Share Day (Friday): Which Island have you been too?	Zoology: Fish Botany: Tropical plants Science: Fresh vs. Salt Water Art: Salt Art Grace/Courtesy: Pushing chair in	
Week 3 4/15-4/19	Islands & Volcanoes *Island Activities *Parts of a volcano poster	Australia/New Zealand *New Zealand *Flags of Australia & New Zealand	Calendar Routine Discussion: Earth Day Book: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Share Day (Friday): Recycle Item to sort	Zoology: Kangaroo Botany: Compost Science: Rainbows & Prisms Art: Reuse Art Grace/Courtesy: Folding	
Week 4 4/22-4/26 *4/22 Earth Day	Islands & Volcanoes *Island Weather *Volcano Eruptions	Australia/New Zealand *Oceans around Australia *People, Culture & Traditions	Calendar Routine Discussion: Bees – why are they important? Book: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Share Day (Friday): Something that begins with w, x, y or z	Zoology: Bees Botany: Parts of a flower Science: Rainbows & prisms Art: Rainbow Grace/Courtesy: Washing	

*Each child has an individualized lesson plan in alignment with the Montessori Curriculum. This calendar represents an overview of concepts that will be introduced over the month and may not reflect exact lessons for your child.