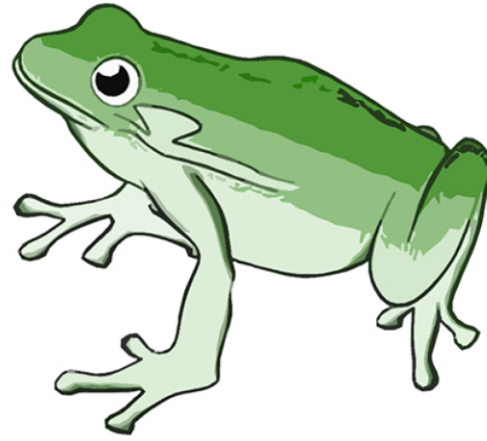




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COOL CRITTERS SUMMER CAMP

For students entering Grades 1 – 3 | July 24 – 28, 2017

Join us for an exciting, week-long adventure in learning about Oregon's bugs, birds and other critters. We'll visit local parks to see the awesome animals that live right in our neighborhoods. Learn how to pack an earth-friendly lunch and other ways to help the planet. The Straub Environmental Center is located in the Eco Hub at the Willamette Heritage Center, 1313 Mill Street SE, in Salem.

MONDAY: SQUIRRELS

Get to know our fuzzy neighbors at Bush's Pasture Park. Test your squirrel memory on a nut hunt. Make a special nature detective's tool. Draw squirrels in your very own nature journal.

TUESDAY: BIRD NESTS

Learn some amazing things about nests and how birds build them. See a collection of real nests and make your own nest. Look for hidden nests along nature trails at Deepwood Gardens.

WEDNESDAY: TURTLES

Discover fun facts about our native western pond turtles and painted turtles. Meet a turtle scientist and go for a turtle hike at Minto-Brown Island Park.

THURSDAY: FROGS

Explore Keizer Rapids Park and hike to the frog pond. Learn about a frog's life cycle and what they need to survive. Spend time gathering special rocks.

FRIDAY: MINI BEASTS

Did you know that we share our planet with over a million species of insects? That's a lot of mini beasts! Our day of exploration will take us to Orchard Heights Park in West Salem. Visit an oak savanna and learn from experts how to respectfully collect bugs using sweep nets. Look for mini beasts that make their home on the ground. The day ends with exploring Glen Creek and capturing the macroinvertebrates (insects) that live in the water.

For more information or to request an application form, contact Bobbie Snead, Straub Education Coordinator, at bobbie.snead@gmail.com or call 503-508-5225.