

A Typical Day with GICEL

Over your child's time with us he or she will be immersed in nature based activities which blend five themes (marine, forest, food production, First Nations and freshwater ecosystems) and the basic ecological processes of energy flow, cycles, interrelationships and change. Throughout, your child will also be provided with concrete examples of the services that these ecosystem processes provide to all life on Earth. A typical day would involve:

Creation of clans and clan home bases

Introduction to the theme as an opening circle or orientation. This could include a game or simple activity

Morning activities with further development of the theme/ecosystem understanding through an exploratory activity.

A lunch break

Refection time/journaling time

Afternoon activities would be an in-depth exploration of the theme/ecosystem with activities within the natural environment.

A closing wrap up circle for bringing together the day's theme/ecosystem knowledge gained.

Free time for journaling, exploring, reflecting, or preparation for last day presentations.

There will be cross cutting activities throughout the stay, including working in clan based groups, crafting stories, songs or plays using knowledge gained through the week at GICEL.