# Cub Scout Den Meeting Outline

**Month:** April  
**Core Value:** Faith

## Before the Meeting

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## Gathering

- Earth Day Crossword

## Opening

- Faith Opening

## Activities/Project

- Leaf Rubbing

## Game/Song

- Leave No Trace Board Game

## Business items/Take home

| Tiger 5F | Wolf 11a, 11b | Bear 1a, 1b, 17d | Webelos 8a, b, c, e |

## Closing

- Leave No Trace Closing

## After the meeting

**Materials:**
- Gathering: copies of Earth Day Crossword, pencils/crayons
- Opening: instructions, flag
- Activities/Project: different sizes of leaves (real or fake), paper, crayons/pencils
- Game: game board copies, playing pieces, dice, copies of Six Leave No Trace Principles Resource sheets
- Closing: instructions, cards

**Home assignments:** See home assignment sheet
Earth Day Crossword

Word List:
animal, conserve, Earth, ecology, environment, growth, plant, reduce, recycle, soil, water

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5. The science studying the relationship between plants or animals and their environment.
7. The surroundings in which a person, plant or animal lives.
9. Use an item again.
10. H2O
11. The top layer of the earth's surface.

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Faith Opening

Lead the following discussion with the Cub Scouts:

*Our Core Value for the month of April is “Faith”.*

*Who can tell me what they think “Faith” means?*

[Hoppefully Cub Scouts will have some idea of what Faith means. Integrate as many of their answers as possible while you make sure that they understand that Faith means having inner strength and confidence based on our trust in God.]

*How can a Cub Scout have faith?*

[Listen to their responses and remind them that Cub Scouts can have faith (strength and confidence) based on trust not only in God but also in other people.]

*Let’s have a great day in Cub Scouting today.*

*Let’s say the Pledge of Allegiance and the Cub Scout Promise.*
Leaf Rubbing

**Supplies:**
Different sizes and shapes of tree leaves (these can be real or fake) or use a leaf rubbing plate
Paper
Crayons with paper removed
Tape
Pencils if crayons aren't available

**Directions:**
1. Put a leaf or leaf plate upside down on the table. If you need to, use a little piece of tape to hold the leaf in place.

2. Place a piece of paper over the leaf.

3. While holding the paper and leaf in place, use the side of a crayon to rub across the leaf. A pencil can be used but crayons work better.

4. Make sure that you color over the entire leaf. Rubbing firmly all over the leaf will show the veins and the outline of the leaf.

5. A dark crayon will produce a clearer print of the leaf.

6. Do another leaf with a different color of crayon.
Leave No Trace Board Game Instructions

Materials
- 1 game board copy per group of players*
- 1 die per group of players
- 1 playing piece for each Cub Scout

Divide the Cub Scouts into small groups to play this game.

Each Cub Scout will get a playing piece in order to mark their space on the game board as they play and place their piece on the “Start” space.

Each Cub Scout will take their turn to roll the die. Depending on the number that is rolled on the die, the Cub Scout will move that many places on the board. If the playing piece lands on a space with instructions, the instructions need to be followed (ie moving ahead or back a certain number of spaces).

Players begin on the “Start” space. The game ends when all players reach the “Finish” space. The winner is the first player to reach the “Finish” space, but play is continued until all players reach the “Finish” space.

*The Leave No Trace Resource sheet of the Six Leave No Trace Guidelines for Cub Scouts could be used as a resource.
Do your best to leave no trace!

START


You picked up some trash in the park. Move ahead 1 space.

You hike and camp on durable surfaces to prevent damage to the ground. Move ahead 2 spaces.

You stop to take a picture of an alligator and get too close. Move back 2 spaces.

You didn’t put your food away in your car. A raccoon comes into camp and eats your food. Go back to the beginning.

You pack out everything you brought with you – including your trash. Move ahead 2 spaces.

You cut down a tree to build a fire. Move back 3 spaces.

You find some deer antlers on the ground and leave them just as you found them. Move ahead 1 space.

You carved your initials into a tree. Move back 4 spaces.

You kept your dog on a leash at the park. Move ahead 1 space.

You smash down plants and grass to make a new trail. Move back 1 space.

Congratulations Cub Scout! You helped to Leave No Trace! Finish!!
Watch for hazards and follow all the rules of the park or outdoor facility. Remember proper clothing, sunscreen, hats, first aid kits, and plenty of drinking water. Use the buddy system. Make sure you carry your family's name, phone number, and address.

Stay on marked trails whenever possible. Short-cutting trails causes the soil to wear away or to be packed, which eventually kills trees and other vegetation. Trampled wildflowers and vegetation take years to recover. Stick to trails!

Managing your pet will keep people, dogs, livestock, and wildlife from feeling threatened. Make sure your pet is on a leash or controlled at all times. Do not let your pet approach or chase wildlife. When animals are chased or disturbed, they change eating patterns and use more energy that may result in poor health or death.

Take care of your pet's waste. Take a small shovel or scoop and a pick-up bag to pick up your pet's waste—wherever it's left. Place the waste bags in a trash can for disposal.

When visiting any outdoor area, try to leave it the same as you find it. The less impact we each make, the longer we will enjoy what we have. Even picking flowers denies others the opportunity to see them and reduces seeds, which means fewer plants next year.

Use established restrooms. Graffiti and vandalism have no place anywhere, and they spoil the experience for others. Leave your mark by doing an approved conservation project.

Expect to meet other visitors. Be courteous and make room for others. Control your speed when biking or running. Pass with care and let others know before you pass. Avoid disturbing others by making noise or playing loud music.

Respect "No Trespassing" signs. If property boundaries are unclear, do not enter the area.

Make sure all trash is put in a bag or trash receptacle. Trash is unsightly and ruins everyone's outdoor experience. Your trash can kill wildlife. Even materials, such as orange peels, apple cores and food scraps, take years to break down and may attract unwanted pests that could become a problem.
Leave No Trace Pledge Closing

Materials:
– Leave No Trace closing cards
- Six Cub Scouts to hold cards and read the cards

Cubmaster: I promise to practice the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines wherever I go:

Cub Scout #1: Plan ahead.

Cub Scout #2: Stick to trails.

Cub Scout #3: Manage your pet.

Cub Scout #4: Leave what you find.

Cub Scout #5: Respect other visitors.

Cub Scout #6: Trash your trash.

Thank you, Cub Scouts! Remember to Leave No Trace!
Cub Scout #1: Plan ahead.
Cub Scout #2: Stick to trails.
Cub Scout #3: Manage your pet.
Cub Scout #4: Leave what you find.
Cub Scout #5: Respect other visitors.
Cub Scout #6: Trash your trash.
Name _______________

April Week 1
Home Assignment

___ Tiger 5F (see pages 72-73, Tiger Handbook)

___ Wolf 11a, 11b (see pages 95-96, Wolf Handbook)

___ Bear 1a,1b, 17d (see pages 27-28, 138, Bear Handbook)

___ Webelos 8a, 8b, 8c, 8e
(see pages 50-51, Webelos Handbook)

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Akela's OK       Date

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TIGER DEN MEETING PROGRAM

DEN NO. ____________________________ PACK NO. ____________________
MEETING PLACE ____________________________________________________
MONTH April WEEK 1 TIME ____________________
THIS MONTH’S TOPIC Faith/Earth Day/Birds/Writing

BEFORE THE MEETING

Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments ready.

GATHERING

With the help of their Tiger Adult Partners, Tiger Cubs will work on the Earth Day Crossword Puzzle. Materials: Copies of Earth Day Crossword, pencils

OPENING

Tiger Cubs and their adult partners will participate in the Faith Opening – discussing how we can have faith. Materials: flag

ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS

Tiger Cubs, with help from their adult partners, will do a leaf rubbing. Materials: leaves (real or fake), crayons or pencils, paper

GAME / SONG

Tiger Cubs and their adult partners will play a Leave No Trace Board Game. Materials: Game board, die, playing pieces, Leave No Trace resource sheets

BUSINESS ITEMS / TAKEHOME

Tiger 5F

CLOSING

Leave No Trace Closing Materials: Closing cards

AFTER THE MEETING

Evaluate the meeting and review next week’s plans.
WOLF DEN MEETING PROGRAM

DEN NO. ____________________________  PACK NO. ______________________

MEETING PLACE ______________________________________________________

MONTH _______ WEEK _______ TIME ______________________

THIS MONTH’S TOPIC  Faith/Earth Day/Birds/Writing

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BEFORE THE MEETING

Gather materials for gathering and other activities, games and have home assignments ready.

GATHERING

Earth Day Crossword
Materials: copies of Earth Day Crossword, pencils/crayons

OPENING

Faith Opening
Materials: flag

ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS

Leaf Rubbing
Materials: Leaves (real or fake), crayons or pencils, paper

GAME / SONG

Leave No Trace Game
Materials: Leave No Trace game board, die, playing pieces, Six Principles of Leave No Trace resource sheets

BUSINESS ITEMS / TAKEHOME

Wolf 11a, 11b

CLOSING

Leave No Trace Closing
Materials: closing cards

AFTER THE MEETING

Evaluate the meeting and review next week’s plans.
# BEAR DEN MEETING PROGRAM

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## OPENING

**Faith Opening**  
Materials: flag

## ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS

**Leaf Rubbing**  
Materials: Leaves (real or fake), crayons or pencils, paper

## GAME / SONG

**Leave No Trace Game**  
Materials: Leave No Trace game board, die, playing pieces, Six Principles of Leave No Trace resource sheets

## BUSINESS ITEMS / TAKEHOME

**Bear 1a, 1b, 17d**

## CLOSING

**Leave No Trace Closing**  
Materials: closing cards

## AFTER THE MEETING

Evaluate the meeting and review next week’s plans.
# WEBELOS DEN MEETING PROGRAM

**DEN NO._________________________**

**MEETING PLACE_________________________**

**MONTH April WEEK 1 TIME _______________**

**THIS MONTH’S TOPIC** Faith/Earth Day/Birds/Writing

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**GATHERING**

Earth Day Crossword  
Materials: copies of Earth Day Crossword, pencils/crayons

**OPENING**

Faith Opening  
Materials: flag

**ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS**

Leaf Rubbing  
Materials: Leaves (real or fake), crayons or pencils, paper

**GAME / SONG**

Leave No Trace Game  
Materials: Leave No Trace game board, die, playing pieces, Six Principles of Leave No Trace resource sheets

**BUSINESS ITEMS / TAKEHOME**

Webelos 8a, 8b, 8c, 8e

**CLOSING**

Leave No Trace Closing  
Materials: closing cards

**AFTER THE MEETING**

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