

THE POTTER CHILDREN'S GARDEN

LITTLE EXPLORERS

There are lots of different habitats to discover here including a misty jungle, native plant maze, rocky desert, flower meadow and boggy wetland. This is a great place to stop, relax and have a picnic. Follow the path around the back of the Education Centre to find the toilets.



ACTIVITY IDEAS

- Find the 'Grubs Up!' area and dig in the leaf litter to see if you can find any bugs including hoppers, ants, centipedes, beetles and slaters.
- Tell the time - stand on the current month of the Sun Clock, your shadow will show you the time.
- Check out the carnivorous plants in the bog habitat. The pitcher plants growing there trap insects in their tube-like leaves and then digest them.
- Look out for butterflies and bees pollinating flowers in the meadow area.
- Investigate the bromeliads and 'jungle soup' in the jungle habitat.

KEEPING YOUR TAMARIKI SAFE

- Be mindful of other visitors and groups.
- Please take extra care near the ponds.
- The wooden surfaces are slippery when wet.
- Ask children to keep off the rocky cactus gardens and remind them that cacti are spikey!



A SONG TO SING

Tune of 'Three Blind Mice'

Three fat kererū... Three fat kererū
Snoozing in the tree... Snoozing in the tree
They ate all the berries that they could see
The seeds they poop out will grow into new trees
Three fat kererū... Three fat kererū



DID YOU KNOW?

The tree with huge leaves in the centre of the jungle habitat is a Dinner Plate Fig that is native to New Guinea. Its leaves can grow up to 3ft long and are traditionally used to cook meat.

Please ask children not to walk on the garden beds – this will help to protect delicate plant root systems.

POTTER CHILDREN'S GARDEN BINGO



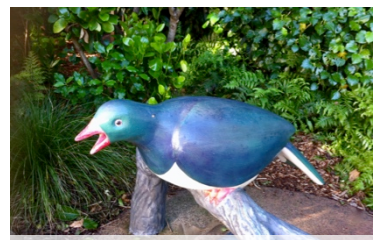
Monkey



Bromeliad



Cactus



Kereru sculpture



Desert sign



Butterfly



Giant egg



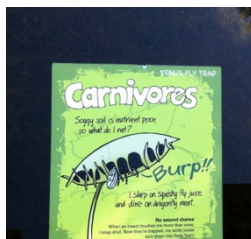
Mosaic



Meadow sign



Statue



Fly Trap sign



Maui's Maze sign

HOW MANY DIFFERENT LEAF SHAPES CAN YOU FIND?

