



Dear Family,

In my class today we did an experiment about camouflage!

Did You Know?

- Camouflage allows animals to protect themselves in nature. They are able to hide themselves or appear as if they are part of their natural surroundings. "Blending in" is the most common type of camouflaging in animals. Deer, squirrels, rabbits, and chipmunks have brownish, "earth tone" colors that blend in with the base of trees and bushes and soil. Sharks and dolphins have a grayish-blue coloring, which helps them blend in with the soft light underwater.

Ask Your Child:

- What is camouflage?
- What did you do with pipe cleaners at school?
- Why are the pipe cleaners different colors?
- What color pipe cleaners were hard to find? Why?

Activities To Do With Your Child:

- Try to find things around your home that are hard to find because they are camouflaged.
- Put similar color clothes in a laundry pile and ask your child to find his own shirt. Talk about how it can be hard to find things when things are all the same color.

Vocabulary To Use With Your Child: camouflage, search, compare, blend in, hide, habitat