

# Wild Day at the Santa Barbara Zoo

This week, our campers took a walk on the wild side with an unforgettable field trip to the Santa Barbara Zoo! From the moment we arrived, excitement filled the air as kids rushed to see which animals they could spot first. We wandered through winding paths and animal exhibits, catching glimpses of roaring lions, swinging monkeys, waddling penguins, sunbathing alligators, and even some sleepy anteaters. Campers were full of questions, pointing excitedly and reading signs to learn more about their favorite animals.

“The elephants were my favorite—they were huge!” said Austin F., second grade. For many campers, it was their first time seeing some of these amazing animals up close. “It was such a cool trip. I loved seeing all the different animals and hanging out with my group. It felt like we were on a mini safari!” shared Kylie C., seventh grade. Campers spent the day exploring the zoo in small groups, stopping for snacks, photos, and lots of laughs along the way.





Even the younger campers were blown away. “I saw a lion and it was just lying there like a big cat!” laughed Tucker B., also in second grade. After a full day of exploring, learning, and making memories, we hopped back on the bus with tired feet and full hearts. The Santa Barbara Zoo reminded us just how wild and wonderful our world really is!

