Parent  Activity

Letter

**Today,** we recommend you read the book “*A Busy Tree*” by Jennifer Ward with your child. The book is about a tree that has many animals living in it and tells how the tree is home to these animals and provides the things they need to live.

**At home,** with your child talk about the different animals that live in trees. Ask your child to tell you about each animal, such as, what do they eat? What part of the tree do they live in? Some animals that live in trees are squirrels, birds and bugs. This activity encourages learning objective 30, Demonstrates knowledge of the characteristics of living things and Demonstrates knowledge of the earth’s environment.

**To extend** this activity have your child observe a tree for a few minutes. After your child observes the tree ask them to tell you what they saw while looking at the tree. Did they see any animals, what were the animals doing? They can then try to document (write) their observations on paper.

***\*\*\*Please remember to read aloud to your child daily. We recommend reading a minimum of 3 hours a week with your child. C:\Users\BCCAP- Head Start\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\VAOL3GO4\MC900437791[1].wmf***

**The PAL letters are developed to support your child’s academic/social emotional progress and related to the programs School Readiness goals.**

Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I agree that completing the at home activity and reading aloud to my child is equivalent to four hours of volunteer time for the week.

**Parent’s Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Room: