

Wild Kids



Have you ever gone for a hike and found signs that an animal had been there? Animal signs are little clues that show us that animals live in the area. These signs can be as diverse as holes, scaly skin, bones and nests. Wolves leave behind unique signs within their territories. When wolves move from place to place, they leave prints on the ground called tracks. Wolves are very protective of their territory and mark



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it with scats, urine and scrapes to warn others to stay out. In spring wolves shed their soft, fluffy undercoats. After consuming a meal, wolves bury their leftovers in a hole in the ground called a cache. Next time you are out exploring, put on your detective goggles and look for some new animal signs.

Aidan

International Wolf Center



Aidan was born on April 27, 2008, and since then has been part of the International Wolf Center's Exhibit Pack with his littermate Denali. Aidan is an Irish Gaelic name that usually means "little fiery one" when translated into English. It is a very appropriate name for Aidan. As a pup, Aidan showed his hunting skills earlier than Denali did, and Aidan was always very focused on any movement in the enclosure. As an adult, Aidan is quick to guard things and will chase Denali throughout the exhibit. ■

Thank
you wolf
center

I had a great time.
I like the audition
and wolf quest. I liked
the game time too. That
was the best day of my life.

From,
Daniel



Aidan

Daniel, a young school-program attendee, sent this note to the Center thanking everyone for a unique, fun-filled day. To check out fun programs for kids, go to www.wolf.org.

Play!



Word Find

S	U	M	M	E	R	T	R	E	R	N	H
R	U	R	K	G	P	A	K	C	A	R	T
O	E	L	E	A	O	O	S	K	P	W	L
T	E	H	Z	N	Z	C	O	R	O	B	E
A	F	I	C	Z	D	K	N	L	E	R	T
D	I	A	I	A	U	E	F	O	O	I	P
E	E	W	Z	D	C	T	Z	V	W	R	A
R	P	D	V	F	X	J	I	V	E	J	C
P	A	H	O	W	L	N	A	E	O	A	K
X	W	I	P	C	R	M	D	Q	M	U	W
J	Z	U	G	A	V	O	P	Z	H	L	S
R	P	E	C	N	A	N	I	M	O	D	Z

Find the words in the word bank (below) hidden in the puzzle. Words can go forward, backward, up, down or diagonally.

cache	paw	carnivore
predator	pack	deer
pup	elk	summer
coat	track	rendevvous
howl	wolf	dominance

Vocabulary

Cache: A hiding place used for storing food if there is an abundance of meat from a kill.

Scat: Poop, or feces.

Track: A footprint left by an animal.