

# DISCOVERY

### **Curriculum based School Programs!**

#### **Dynamic Dunes**

Explore the plants and animals that thrive on our unique dune system, the harsh conditions they face, and how sensitive they are to human impact. Students will help restore our dunes through marram grass planting.



#### **Ecosystem Medicine**

All ecosystems need balances, explore the importance of biodiversity and the impact of invasive species. Students will help resource management initiatives by removing invasive species or planting trees.



#### Sensory Sketching Safari

Uncover the natural and cultural heritage of our park's ecosystems through nature journaling. Using language, art, science and math we will create a series of illustrative depictions of one of four distinct habitats: woodland, wetland, grassland, and beach that will showcase observations using our senses.

## Great Lakes and Shoreline Ecology Virtual Program

The Great Lakes contain over 20% of the world's surface fresh water. Explore the make-up of these Great Lakes, the habitats influenced by them, and our human relationships with these waters.

#### Migrating Monarchs – September Only

Every year Monarch butterflies embark on their journey to Mexico, relying on West Point as part of their migration route. Students will explore the importance of our habitats, their migration journey, and the challenges faced resulting in population decline. Students will become citizen scientists by catching Monarch butterflies, then assisting in tagging and releasing to track migration paths.



Additional educational opportunities, such as guided trail walks and custom programs, are also available. For any inquiries, please contact Parks Program Educator **Elle Ball** at <a href="mailto:elle.ball@ontario.ca">elle.ball@ontario.ca</a>.

A valid bus permit is required for all programs.