

Ranger-Led Programs

July 16th – July 23rd

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	Time	Mon 7/16	Tues 7/17	Wed 7/18	Thurs 7/19	Fri 7/20	Sat 7/21	Sun 7/22	Mon 7/23
Phenology: The Pulse of the Planet	8:40 AM		X				X	X	
Park Orientation	9-11:00 AM		X	X	X	X		X	
Jr. Ranger Program	10:00 AM						X		
Critter Chat	10:00 AM	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Investigation Station	12:30 PM		X					X	
People, Places & the Past	2:00 PM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
River Rendezvous	2:00 PM						X		
Lovin' the River Life	2:00 PM	X	X				X		X
Investigation Station	2:30 PM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Critter Chat	5:00 PM	X	X			X	X		X
Evenings at Potwisha	7:30 PM					X	X		
Twilight Walk	7:00 PM						X		

Talks

Critter Chat

Get to know some creatures that live in the most diverse ecosystem in California. Meet near the flagpole at the Foothills Visitor Center to learn more. 20 minutes.

Park Orientation

Become acquainted with highlights of the parks while you're entertained with stories of those who blazed the path ahead of you. Meet at the "Indian Head" sign near the Ash Mountain Entrance. 15 minutes.

Pulse of the Planet

Seasonally dependent black bear, pika, and California buckeye survive and thrive when the time is right. Just like you don't wear your bathing suit in winter, discover why timing is essential in nature. Meet at the Foothills Visitor Center. 45 minutes.

Activities

River Rendezvous

Ever wonder what little creatures make their home in the beautiful Kaweah River? Join a ranger and discover their underwater world and why they're here. Follow the trail down to the river across the street from Potwisha Campground.

Investigation Station

What can an animal's teeth tell us? What does a wild cucumber look like? Come investigate and discover the many stories the Foothills have to share. Drop in at the Foothills Visitor Center to learn more about life in the park.

People, Places, & the Past

Discover Hospital Rock! Take a step back in time and learn more about the people who called this area home. Meet near the bear box in the Hospital Rock Picnic Area. 30 minutes.

Lovin' the River Life

Let the river come alive as you learn what animals live there and what it takes for them to survive. Walk ¼ mile to the bridge on the Paradise Creek trail beginning in Buckeye Flat Campground near site #28. Parking is available at Hospital Rock.

Walks

Twilight Walk

As twilight settles over the park, join a ranger along the Kaweah River to hear how its power, and strength shaped the landscape and influenced humans throughout time. Meet at the Paradise Creek Trailhead in Buckeye Flat Campground for a 1 hour walk. Park at Hospital Rock and walk ½ mile to the Paradise Creek Trailhead.

Jr. Ranger Program

Wildlife is all around us, but often all we see of bears, owls, and bobcats is the scat, tracks, and sign they leave behind. Kids of all ages are welcome to join a ranger and learn what bears eat, owls hunt, or what's been sniffing around your campsite. Saturday mornings at the Potwisha campfire circle. 1 hour.

Evenings at Potwisha

Meet at the Potwisha campfire circle. 1 hour.

Friday: The Bear Necessities

The American Black Bear is one of Sequoia National Parks' more conspicuous creatures and the sight of a wild bear is an incomparable experience. If you've ever wondered what the national parks do to protect bears, join Ranger Dani Cessna to learn about bear habits and the role we play in their protection.

Saturday: Up in Smoke

Fire can mar a landscape, but also create new opportunities for life. Come see how this force