

Pool Party

Every winter our Brownie unit holds a tropical pool party at a community pool.

We choose a pool that has a long shallow end, two slides, and a rope swing.

We request beach music to be played at the pool in advance.

To set the mood we invite the girls to wear Hawaiian shirts and bathing suit skirts.

On arrival at the pool we greet the girls and give each a plastic lei. We put out tropical coloured beads and lacing at the pool side table for anyone who wants to craft as well as swim.

For games we have played:

- Pool tag

- Water Freeze Tag (girls have to swim underneath a frozen Brownie to un-freeze them.)

- Catch with beach balls

- Monkey in the middle with beach balls

- Mermaid swim (girls swim/hop/walk the width of pool being creative "Mermaids")

- A relay in teams; who can blow a ping-pong ball across width of pool and back the fastest.

- Fancy swimming through a partially submerged hula hoop in the shallow end.

Of course the girls also slide on the slides, swing on the rope, and swim all about with their friends.

We end the night with popsicles poolside. (These we bring in a cooler packed with frozen freezer containers - they have never melted yet!)

This evening has been great fun for all!

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