Entre Árboles

Theme/Place:
Outdoor learning - Santo Domingo / Dominican Republic

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Context and objective:
'Entre Árboles' was developed in partnership with the National Botanical Garden in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. This project seeks to create prolonged and frequent encounters between city children and natural settings.

Methodology:
About 50 students between 3 and 6 years of age participate in the program each week. They are accompanied by teachers, parent volunteers, and experts in related fields. They spend the day exploring the vast and varied spaces of the Botanical Garden, where they have the opportunity to play, investigate and learn about nature.

Results:
Several child-led projects have developed out of the 'Entre Árboles' experience. Among them a digital guide of the National Botanical Garden and an App to guide families. Teachers report children demonstrate more care and interest in nature, as well as improvements in their physical skills and overall well-being. The project has also served as a model for other centers.

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