

Outdoor Learning – 30th January 2023

Big Garden Bird Watch

In order to attract as many birds as possible to our gardens, we made some delicious treats and hung them where we hoped the birds would find them. We took turns to stir the mixture of seeds, fat and suet pellets.



The tricky part was threading the string through the chopped up egg carton and tying a knot. When the seeds were well mixed in, we squashed the mixture into the egg cartons and hung them up on the fences, bushes and trees. We hope the birds like them!



The secret to successful bird watching is to be quiet and still – that's quite tricky to keep up for ten minutes, especially if you're excited about the birds you see! We were able to recognise robins, blue tits, great tits, blackbirds, pigeons, sparrows, magpies, herring gulls.

On the RSPB recording sheets, we noted down all the birds we saw in our 10 minute spotter time. After we've counted up all the different birds we saw, we will be able to work out which birds visit our gardens most often.



Birds have really inspired us to get creative! We've been drawing, making fact files, building nests – all these things help us learn more about the birds that visit our gardens.



If you want to find out more about birds, have a look at these websites: <https://www.rspb.org.uk/> <https://www.bto.org/>