

The Big Schools' Birdwatch

This term, Christ Church School proudly took part in the Big Schools' Birdwatch, organised by the [RSPB](#) (Royal Society for the Protection of Birds).

Pupils across the school became wildlife explorers, spending time observing the birds visiting our grounds. Using identification guides and working together, the children carefully recorded the different species they spotted, contributing to a nationwide conservation project.

Why It Matters

Big Schools' Birdwatch is the largest wildlife survey for schools in the UK. By taking part, our pupils:

- Developed their observation and identification skills
- Learned more about common UK bird species
- Gained a greater understanding of local habitats and biodiversity
- Contributed to important national conservation research

It was a wonderful opportunity to take learning outdoors and experience nature first-hand.

What We Spotted

We were delighted to see a variety of familiar garden birds around our school grounds, including:

- House Sparrows
- Blue Tits
- Blackbirds
- Woodpigeons
- Robins

Children enjoyed discussing why certain birds were found in particular areas and thinking about how we can continue to make our school grounds welcoming for wildlife.

Supporting Our Eco-Schools Work

Taking part in Big Schools' Birdwatch supports our ongoing work with the [Eco-Schools](#) programme, particularly our focus on biodiversity and caring for our local environment.

The project linked closely with:

- Science – observing and identifying living things
- Geography – exploring local habitats
- Maths – interpreting and comparing findings
- PSHE – developing responsibility and respect for the environment

We are very proud of the enthusiasm and teamwork shown by all pupils who took part. Activities like this help to build awareness of the natural world and inspire our children to look after it for the future. 🌱