

## Watch the Birdie

Why are some blackbirds brown? Why don't we see sand martins in the winter? What is the difference between a swallow and a swift? Just a few questions that will be answered on this workshop to discover more about the birds in our local area.

**Venue:** Caldicot Castle and Countryside Park

**Key Stage:** KS2

**Duration of workshop:** 2 hours

**Maximum number of pupils:** 35

### What will pupils do?

- Practice using binoculars to watch birds
- Discuss migration
- Take part in games to help improve their identification skills
- Discuss how certain birds are adapted to where they live
- Make a nest suitable for a specific bird and discuss how they differ

### By taking part in this workshop pupils will:

- Increase knowledge and understanding of birds and how to use binoculars
- Work as a team
- Develop confidence to make decisions on the best way to achieve outcomes
- Problem solve

### Which Areas of Learning and Experience does this workshop support?

- Science and technology
- Health and well-being
- Humanities

## How this workshop supports the Four Purposes:

<p><b>Ambitious, capable learners, ready to learn throughout their lives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Set themselves high standards and seek and enjoy challenges</li><li>• Are building a body of knowledge and have the skills to connect and apply that knowledge in different contexts</li><li>• Undertake research and evaluate critically what they find</li></ul>	<p><b>Enterprising, creative contributors, ready to play a full part in life and work</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify and grasp opportunities</li><li>• Lead and play different roles in a team</li></ul>
<p><b>Ethical, informed citizens of Wales and the world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Find, evaluate and use evidence in forming views</li><li>• Understand and consider the impact of their actions when making choices and acting</li><li>• Show their commitment to the sustainability of the planet</li></ul>	<p><b>Healthy, confident individuals, ready to lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Are building their mental and emotional well-being by developing confidence, resilience and empathy</li><li>• Take part in physical activity</li></ul>

## Workshop links to What Matters statements

### Science and technology:

- Being curious and searching for answers helps further our understanding of the natural world and helps society progress
- The world around us is full of living things which depend on each other for survival

### Health and well-being:

- Developing physical health and well-being has lifelong benefits
- How we process and respond to our experiences affects our mental health and well-being
- Our decision-making impacts on the quality of our lives and the life of others

### Humanities:

- Developing an enquiring mind enables learners to explore and investigate the world, past present and future, for themselves
- Our natural world is diverse and dynamic

**Pre-visit requirements:** N/A