



Continue your Wild Challenge



Doing the **Big Schools' Birdwatch** counts as one activity towards your **Wild Challenge award**. Complete six to achieve bronze, 12 for silver and 18 for gold. Why not do these two activities, with links to STEM, and you'll be half way to bronze? Visit rspb.org.uk/schoolswildchallenge to find out more.

Provide food and water for wildlife

All wildlife needs food and water, so set up a wildlife café in your school grounds and see what comes to visit. Why not ask your class to apply STEM knowledge and skills to provide food and water for wildlife, or a particular species you'd like to attract? Here we've suggested making pine cone feeders as a winter treat for the birds. Discover more ideas at rspb.org.uk/foodandwater

You will need:

Pine or fir cones (dried out so they open)	Suet or lard
Bird seed	Mixing bowl
Raisins	Scissors
Grated cheese	String
Dried mealworms (optional)	



What to do:

1. Allow the lard to warm up to room temperature, but don't let it melt. Then cut it up into small pieces and put it in the mixing bowl.
2. Add the other ingredients to the bowl. Mix them together with your fingertips, until the fat holds this great squidgy mess together.
3. Tie string at the top of your cones, then fill them with bird mix.
4. Put your cones in the fridge to set for an hour or so. Now they're ready to hang up for the birds.