**Eco-Schools Action Plan SCHOOL NAME\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Eco-Schools Topics: Biodiversity / School Grounds Date Range of this Plan: \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_**

| **Aim(s)**  **What do we aim to achieve? What do we want to do?**  *You can have the same aim for all actions, or different aims for different actions.* | **Actions**  **How are we going to achieve our aims? What actions will we do?**  *Minimum 3 actions per topic.* | **Who? / When?**  **Who is responsible for the action? Who else will help?/ When will it happen?** | **Measuring:**  **What, how and when will we measure to monitor any changes?** | **Evaluation/Development:**  **What did we learn from our monitoring?**  **How far did our actions go towards achieving our aims?**  **Could we have done anything differently?** |
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| **Find out which birds visit our school grounds** | **Register for the RSPB Big Birdwatch** |  | **Take part in the RSPB Big Birdwatch and compare our numbers to others around the country.**  **We can repeat this next year to see if the number of birds visiting our grounds has changed.** |  |
| **Count birds in our grounds following RSPB guidance** |  |
| **Submit our results to the RSPB** |  |
| **See how our results compare to other parts of the country** |  |
| **Increase the amount of food and water available for birds in our school grounds** | **Set up bird feeders in our grounds and regularly clean them** |  | **Take part in the RSPB Big Birdwatch each year.**  **Record the numbers of birds visiting our grounds each term.**  **Survey invertebrates and other wildlife in our grounds.** |  |
| **Grow plants to support pollinators and other insects** |  |
| **Create a log pile for invertebrates to live in** |  |
| **Create a water tray or build a mini pond** |  |
| **Increase the number of places for birds to make a home in our school grounds** | **Build and put up bird boxes** |  | **Take part in the RSPB Big Birdwatch each year.**  **Record the numbers of birds visiting our grounds each term.** |  |
| **Plant trees and shrubs** |  |

**Many of the activities above are part of the** [**RSPB Wild Challenge Award**](https://www.rspb.org.uk/helping-nature/what-you-can-do/activities/wild-challenge/wild-challenge-for-schools)**, which can be counted towards your Green Flag Award**