

ACTION OF THE DAY DO ONE THING TO ATTRACT NATURE TO YOUR SCHOOL



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Every time we add a new habitat, shelter, food or water source for wildlife we are helping to increase biodiversity!

Small actions may not seem like much but they add up! Especially if we plan carefully to target species that need help or join up one habitat to another.





Where to start

Assess your grounds- what kind of habitats do you already have? Do you have lots of different kinds of plants growing? Are there many animals that visit?

Top Tips

Choose an area of biodiversity you would like to help. Don't just add features at random. You may wish to plant pollinator friendly plants to attract bees, add swift boxes as they have decreased in the area or add a water source for amphibians etc.

OTHER ACTIVITIES TO TRY

You can always do a second action to attract biodiversity! Enjoy being outside and if you want to take a break- why not do some natural art outside? Use anything you find on the ground to make a picture of your favourite tree, flower or animal!



Atrracting Pollinators

Looking out for pollinators like bees are a great place to start! They will quickly move back into a suitable area and there are lots of resources to help. Check out the school pollinator plan in English or Irish!

Creating other mini habitats

Check out this great guide to biodiversity gardening in English or Irish <u>here.</u> Get lots of different ideas that may work for your school!





JUNIOR VIDEOS



Need some inspiration before taking action? Chec out these short videos to get in the mood!

- Ideas for natural art.
- How to make a wildlife pond!



SENIOR VIDEOS

Get some more detailed information about how to take action for pollinators, birds and more!

- Top 10 actions for pollinators!
- Make a simple bug hotel!
- Attracting birds to your garden!

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