

Birds

<p>Gaeilge</p> <p>Dhá éan bheaga</p>	<p>English</p> <p>Write a story about a bird - can you use the 3 P's? (Person, Place, Problem) (Senior Infants) Junior Infants can draw a picture and tell their story - Mum/Dad write the story for them.</p> <p>One morning Bella bird woke up early with the sun in her cosy nest. She tried to sing but nothing came out. Bella went to Dr. Bluebird for help. Dr. Bluebird told her to take lots of sips of water and to rest for the day. The next day Bella was better and joined in the morning bird song.</p> <p>Phonics and Tricky Words powerpoint</p> <p>Rhyme: Two Little Dicky Birds</p> <p>Books: Have you any stories with birds in them?</p> <p>Free writing</p> <p>Please remind your child to hold their pencil correctly (pinch and flip - or Tommy Thumb and Pointing Finger pinching the pencil and resting finger underneath).</p> <p>Write your sounds or tricky words in bird seed.</p>	<p>Maths - Money</p> <p>Empty your money box and sort coins into groups i.e. put all the 1c coins into a pile/pot/cup etc. Coin rubbings. Get a blank piece of paper. Put a coin under the page. Get a crayon or colouring pencil and rub/colour over coin.</p> <p>Junior Infants - make 5c using different combinations of 1c and 2c coins. Senior Infants - make 10c using different combinations of 1c, 2c and 5c coins.</p> <p>*Money can be a difficult concept to grasp for children. Lots of exposure to using money during playtime can help e.g. set up a shop/restaurant and use real money.</p> <p>Sorting, Ordering, Counting Money Game Toy Shop Money Game</p> <p>These games can be tricky - I would suggest that your child is very familiar with handling and naming the coins before completing these games. (Select euro currency on these games)</p>
<p>History</p> <p>Children of Lir</p> <p>Listen to the story of the Children of Lir or if you have a copy of the story in your house read it.</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>If you enjoyed the story of Lir watch Layla's mum teach us more about the swans that visit Ballinafagh Lake</p>	<p>Science</p> <p>Dublin Zoo Bird Watching</p> <p>Become a birdwatcher in your garden. Can you identify the birds in your garden?</p>

<p>Can you draw a picture of your favourite part of the story?</p>	<p>https://www.johnnymagory.com/johnny-magory-world-wildlife-wednesdays-swan/</p> <p>Read Bouncy Blackbird.</p> <p>What do the birds in your garden eat?</p>	<p>What do the birds look like? (Describe/Draw/take a picture)</p> <p>Are there any nests in your garden?</p> <p>Birds of Ireland</p> <p>Bird Watch Ireland</p> <p>https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/</p> <p>https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/</p>
<p>Music</p> <p><i>"All God's Creatures' Got a Place in the Choir"</i></p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=3&v=sTKJUxl8TL4&feature=emb_logo</p> <p>- fun animal song, cheery and good to dance to and sing along to the chorus.</p> <p><u>Bird Song Opera</u></p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMXD4h5w8D8&feature=emb_logo</p> <p>Listen to this piece of music - how does it make you feel? Is it a happy/sad/fast/slow?</p> <p>Listen again and dance with the music.</p>	<p>Art</p> <p><u>Draw a bird</u> - use inspiration from your books or the birds in your garden or follow a youtube video on how to draw a bird.</p>	<p>Drama</p> <p>Act out the story of The Children of Lir with your family.</p>
<p>PE</p> <p>Simon Says Workout</p> <p>Chicken Dance</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=npp1z32idrc</p>	<p>SPHE</p> <p>Healthy Eating: We have learned about the importance of eating healthy foods to grow healthy and strong and to help us learn.</p> <p>Keep a food diary for a day - write down or draw a picture of everything you have for breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.</p> <p>Could you swap one treat for a healthy snack tomorrow?</p>	
<p>PLAY</p>		

<p>Construction Build or make a bird/birdhouse/nest using lego/blocks</p> <p><u>Make a nest</u> Go outside and make a nest using natural materials - just like the birds e.g. grass, leaves, twigs, mud, hay, feathers etc.</p>	<p>Creation Station Build or make a bird/birdhouse/nest using junk art materials.</p> <p>Make a birds nest with playdough, add eggs to the nest. How many eggs are in the nest?</p>	<p>Role Play <u>Bird Detective</u> Make binoculars with toilet roll holders and look for birds in your garden - How many can you see? Do you know their names? Can you see any nests?</p>
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<p><u>Additional Reading</u> For those of you who have exhausted your books at home there are some readers available on CJ Fallon which are free to access at present. MyCJFallon You can click in as a parent or student. You will be directed to the dashboard with all the resources. To access the books click Junior Infants - English - Rainbow Stage 1 - My First Storybook (introduces the characters and most of it is read by the parent but in all of these readers it is important to encourage your child to examine the pictures about what is happening and ask them to predict what might happen next in the story.</p>	
<p><u>Juniors - Rainbow Stage 1</u> My First Story Book 1.New Friends 2.Fun At Home 3.Fun at the Park</p>	<p><u>Seniors - Rainbow Stage 1</u> 4.Pip and Rags 5.Magic in the Sky 6.Rainy Day Fun</p>

Note: I personally prefer handling and reading books, online reading may or may not suit your child.