

ECO-DETECTIVES

Calendar

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SEPTEMBER

Before the trees lose their leaves use your detective skills to find out about trees. Find out how many trees native to Britain there are. How many different trees can you identify between your home and school?

TIP: Look for size and shape of tree and leaf shape to help you.

OCTOBER

Help create a home for hibernating animals. As the days get shorter and the nights longer and the temperature drops, some animals begin preparing to hibernate. Why not help them? Either in your garden at home or at school organise to keep one area free from disturbance. Within this area you should have piled leaves, rotting logs and a collection of stones and rocks. Anything from hedgehogs to newts may use them. As an extra bonus this type of habitat attracts lots of insects like millipedes.

Remember to leave the area alone. Let the animals sleep in peace!

NOVEMBER



As the cold dark months begin why not start re-stocking the bird feeder at school or at home. Try to keep a daily record of the types and numbers of birds that come to feed.



DECEMBER

Due to the autumn leaf fall, many trees in December are bare, so providing an excellent opportunity to spot birds' nests and squirrel nests called drays. How many can you count in your local park?