

**Focus plan for Personal, social and emotional
Activity - Feed the birds Date -**

Learning intention

Show care and concern for others, for living things and the environment.

Resources

Pictures of birds in winter
A simple bird table
Small bowl
Jug of water
Bird seed
Bird feeders

How the activity will be carried out

Invite the children to look at some pictures of birds in the winter time. There might be some with snow around them, or birds feeding from seed feeders. What do birds eat and drink. Talk about how it is hard for birds to get worms and bugs out of the ground when it is frozen. Ask the children whether they think it is easy for the birds to find food and water in the winter? How can we help? Let the children make suggestions. Show the children the bird feeders. Help them to fill them with the bird seed. Take the feeders, seeds and water outside. Show the children the bird table. What could we put on here? And where could we hang the feeders? Do the children know why the bird table is off the ground and why we hang the feeders up? Talk about how the birds might get caught by a cat if they were busy eating these things from the ground. Encourage the children to check the feeders and table each day and top them up. Show them how to watch quietly to see if any birds come. Take some pictures to make a book about how to look after birds in winter.

Questions to ask/Language to use

Food, seed, feeders, up high, birds, worms, bugs, cats
Take care, looking after, watching

Differentiation (Birth to Three)

Help the children fill up the feeders. Put feeders and pots in a tray with rice and scoops and let the children play at filling them up. Go on an outing to the park to feed the ducks.

Extension

Children could make their own bird tables or seed feeders.

Evaluation