

The big bird house

Hampstead Heath is home to a great variety of British bird species, making it one of the biggest natural bird houses in London. Examples include our year round residents such as blue tits and kestrels and our migrant species such as swifts and chiffchaffs.



The session is packed full of bird watching (binoculars provided, one per student) where the learners have the opportunity to watch bird

behaviour on our ponds, robins in the woods, and parakeets squawking over the meadows. There is also plenty of opportunity to investigate their habitats, feeding processes, food chains, adaptations and survival mechanisms.

Schools that participate in this session have the opportunity to enter the Springett Award, supported by the Heath and Hampstead Society. An annual prize of £500 is awarded to the class or school that does the best project on Heath birds or wildlife. For more information on the Springett Award please contact the Education Centre on 020 7482 7073.

