

### Primary Outdoor Activity: Winter Bird Watching:

With all the leaves gone and a lot of the underbrush bare, now is a great time to find what birds are here during the winter season. Bundle up and find a quiet spot to sit outside or go for a quiet bird walk in the forest, park, along the ocean, lake, or even at a bird sanctuary like Buttertubs Marsh. (Check out this pdf [Nature Guide for Friends of Buttertubs Marsh](#)). You could even just view from your living room window.

**Numeracy Connections:** Use tally marks or a bar graph to keep track of your bird sightings. Tools like this [online bird identifier](#) can help you to know what bird you can see, or that you can hear. Spend time each day viewing and listening and use a different colour to keep track.

**Literacy Connections:** Create a “Backyards birds” book from your observations. Draw what type(s) of birds you can see. If you can hear the birds, what does it look like if you draw what a bird’s song? Create imaginative or real stories. Write or draw stories with a bird as the main character. Where might they go in day? What might they do? What might they see?

[Bird Id Site with sounds](#)- browse birds by their shape to ID and listen to their songs.

[Birdscanda.org](#): You can look by your location and date to see what birds are in your area.

