

Let the Investigations Begin! – Topic Plan

Learning Objectives

- Recognise the key features of the curlew.
- Understand that curlew populations have decreased dramatically over time and they are now a protected species.

Curriculum Links

Art and Design.
Literacy.
Maths – tally chart, bar and line graphs.

Vocabulary

Feathers, beak, camouflage, wader, population, symmetrical, asymmetrical.

Fact Sheets and Resources

- Curlew Factsheet.

Activities

- **Curlew Glossary.** Add new vocabulary to your glossary as you work through the activities.
- **KS1 Colouring Sheet.**
- **KS 2- Curlew Name Game.** Group or class game to describe what the curlew and other animals look like. Can the rest of the class draw the animals based only on your description?
- **Curlew Feather Forage.** Discover some of the different types of feathers curlews have. Gather different feathers and use your findings to create a tally chart and bar graph.
- **KS1 & KS2 Curlew Word Search.** Find some of the words that are linked to the curlew hidden in the word search. Add the words to your glossary.
- **Nature Numbers.** Create a line graph showing changes in a curlew population at one breeding site in England.