

Old Park Primary School is proud to be part of **Nature Friendly Schools**, a scheme funded by the Government's **Department of Education**. The project is supported by the **Department for Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)** and **Natural England**. Our staff have been working with Nature Friendly Schools and Shropshire Wildlife Trust since 2019 to develop the confidence, knowledge and capability to deliver engaging and creative outdoor sessions.

The ethos of Nature Friendly Schools is to give children greater access to – and respect for – the outdoor environment. Here at Old Park we wholeheartedly agree with this approach and are dedicated to expanding the delivery of our curriculum beyond the classroom. We believe that allowing children to explore nature will promote a sense of adventure, mindfulness, well-being and adventure, as well as other encouraging skills such as hands-on problem solving and adaptability.

Being a Nature Friendly School isn't just learning about plants and wildlife (although there is plenty of that happening!) We are dedicated to enjoying a wide variety of subjects in the fresh air as often as possible. Whether it is the solar system in Science, fractions in Maths or landscapes in Art, we are looking for opportunities to take our learning outside.

Keep an eye on this page and our Twitter account ([@OldParkPrimary](#)) for regular updates about what we are getting up to in nature!