Children visit a nature reserve and learn about the way birds fly.

Riding the Wind



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1. Discover the Wonder of Flight

Explore the question: “How can a bird fly?” and “How can an airplane fly?”. Try the simple "*Watch It Rise Experiment*" in the Downloadable Materials to see one of the wonders of aerodynamics in action.

2. Watch and Discuss

Wach the "Flight" presentation (Downloadable Materials) and talk about the ideas and questions that come up during the discussion.

3. Experience Flight at Salina Nature Reserve

Plan a winter visit (December to March) to Salina Nature Reserve. Children can see how wintering gulls and other birds use the wind to fly. Use the "Riding the Wind *worksheet*" (Downloadable Materials) for observations during the visit. Children can also take part in flight-related activities at the reserve.

Send photos of

☐ Children doing the lift experiment

☐ Children doing activities at Salina

Resources & Equipment Needed

- Strips of paper 20cm long;
- Pencils;
- Clipboards (one per child);

