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From today's Morning Announcements

TVDSB is pleased to launch our third [Explore at Home](#) opportunity as a system-wide **Citizen Science** opportunity: [Spring Bird Count](#) for **three days next week**.

The data collected BY OUR STUDENTS next week can then be used BY OUR STUDENTS the following week for engaging and meaningful curriculum connections.

Our Environmental Education team has developed resources to support family bird watching at home including:

- [video](#) of how to find and watch birds
- [tally sheet](#) (not necessary to print, but is one option to for tracking)
- [ID sheet of most-likely-to-see birds](#) in our area next week
- Google form for submission linked on the website

Note: all of these links are on the website above

We are asking students, teachers, parents, neighbours and grandparents to watch birds in their neighbourhood for **15 minutes between Wednesday, May 13 and Friday May 15. Multiple submissions are welcome!**

Tallies of what participants have seen can be submitted to our Google form, and then our local system-wide data will be shared back on the same website the following week.

We are asking teachers to share this opportunity with their classes and their colleagues. A selection of [curriculum connections can be found here](#).

We have three random draw prizes for individual student submissions (will be contacted by email), as well as three prize packs for the school library with the most submissions (tally poster for your viewing window, Peterson's field guide to birds, and a picture book).

Thank you for sharing widely to give us an extensive student-made data set and snapshot of bird populations in TVDSB.



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