# **SCIENCE WEEK CHALLENGE 1**

CHALLENGE: Backyard biodiversity hunt

**INQUIRY QUESTION:** What living things can we identify and

observe in the school?

#### **LEARNING INTENTION**

We are learning to use our senses to observe and identify living things in their natural environment.

#### SUCCESS CRITERIA

- ✓ I can make an observation using my senses
- ✓ I can represent observations and identify patterns
- ✓ I can share my observations with others
- ✓ I can make a prediction
- I can pose questions

QUESTIONING AND PREDICTING



QUESTIONS:

**PREDICTIONS:** 



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PLANNING AND CONDUCTING



#### HOW CAN WE COLLECT DATA OR MAKE OBSERVATIONS?



### MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

- Magnifying glass
- Chart paper
- **Markers**
- Blue iPad

### **STEPS**

- 1. Engage in a class discussion on the backyard biodiversity hunt.
- 2. Ask and respond to questions and make predictions about the challenge.
- 3. Set out on the backyard diversity hunt. Don't forget your equipment!
- 4. Walk around the school and find as many different species as you can.
- 5. Take a photo of the species you find using the blue iPad. Remember to observe safely, don't touch any of the species you find.
- 6. Go back to your classroom to view your photos.
- 7. Complete a table and/or graph of the species you observed and identify the patterns.

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PROCESSING, MODELLING, ANALYSING

WHAT DID WE FIND OUT?



**EVALUATING** 



**COMPARE OBSERVATIONS WITH PREDICTIONS:** 

WAS THE INVESTIGATION FAIR?



WHAT WERE THE PATTERNS IN THE DATA?



COMMUNICATING 🚉



**FINDINGS AND RESULTS:** 

