



Nature's Noticeboard!


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Search the internet for a recording of the Corncrake's call. If you are lucky enough to ever hear a Corncrake, you'll know the sound and can alert people to its presence. Check out www.birdwatchireland.ie for more information on the Corncrake and www.corncrake.net for a recording of the call.



Check out charity shops for bargains on clothes, books and toys. Not only will you be helping people in need but you will also be reusing items and giving them a new lease of life!




Try to visit a National Park this summer and check out what makes the park so special and what animals and plants can be found there. Maybe bring a picnic!




Check out Derek Mooney's webcam at Áras an Uachtaráin (the President's residence), where blue tits have also taken up residence. www.rte.ie/radio/mooneygoeswild/

If you don't have a vegetable garden, plant some lettuce seed in your flower bed or pot. You could have heads of lettuce in just 8 weeks!



When out and about this summer, bring a re-useable bottle of water with you rather than buying plastic bottles of water in the shops. It will not only save you money but will also reduce the amounts of plastic waste you produce.



If you have a digital camera, start a photo collection of wild flowers. Get a good book, or search the web, to help you identify the flowers and keep a records of where you found the plant and in what habitat. Eventually you can built up a wonderful guide of your own, which you can refer to year after year!

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