

BATS! - Bats in our Backyard

Grade K-5

In this program students learn all about bats. They will learn about their bodies and behaviours through a collection of specimens, images and games. Through these activities, participants will become familiar with our local bat species and what we can do to protect their populations. See what's inside a real bat box!

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn about the anatomy and life stages of bats, including some of their amazing features [30 min]
- Explore how echolocation works through an active outdoor game [10 min]
- Discuss how human actions impact bats and what we can do to help protect their populations [20 min]

This program occurs indoors and outdoors, please dress appropriately for the weather.

PROGRAM THEMES

- Learn about bat anatomy and life history
- Learn about echolocation and how it helps bats hunt
- Discover local bat species
- Discuss how human actions impact bats

SAMPLE CURRICULAR CONNECTIONS

Science:

- Kindergarten - Plants and animals have observable features.
- Kindergarten - Daily and seasonal changes affect all living things.
- Grade 1 - Living things have features and behaviours that help them survive in their environment.
- Grade 2 - Living things have life cycles adapted to their environment.
- Grade 3 - Living things are diverse, can be grouped, and interact in their ecosystems.
- Grade 4 - All living things sense and respond to their environment.
- Grade 5 - Multicellular organisms have organ systems that enable them to survive and interact within their environment.