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Let's Celebrate Migratory Birds

An extension of "Lords of the air."

Migratory birds fly hundreds of thousands of kilometres each year from one home to another. Singapore is a stopover for about 108 species of migratory birds. Some of these birds are at risk. Some are nearing extinction.

To raise awareness of the need to help migratory birds, World Migratory Bird Day is held on 10 May every year. This year, its theme is "Their Future is Our Future". Let's do our part to celebrate the Day.

ON YOUR OWN

- 1. Read "Lords of the air" (page 12, What's Up, April 2017).
- 2. Explore the following websites to find out more about migratory birds why they migrate, how they find their way, their flyways and the threats they face.
 - a. **World Migratory Bird Day** (Click on the 7 ambassadors) http://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/2017/their-future-is-ourfuture
 - b. **Migratory Birds in Singapore** http://www.singaporeforkids.com/camps-birthdayparties/things-tosee-&-do-:-outdoors/for-animal-lovers/singapores-migrantbirds/C0249/C0169/C0282/

IN GROUPS (of three or four)

- 3. Discuss what you have learnt about migratory birds.
- 4. In the light of your exploration and discussions, design an A4-size poster to publicise World Migratory Bird Day.
- 5. Create scanned images of the posters. Then, display the hardcopies in a common space at school.
- 6. Send the digital images, together with a short write-up about migratory birds, to your family and friends via email and WhatsApp for greater awareness.