

## Bushes and perennials

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On our whole school ground there are placed are perennials and bushes like the cornelian cherry placed which give food to birds and insects.

The main food for birds are bushes with fruits. The rowan berry for example is a source of food for more than 63 types of birds.

Leaves of bushes provide food and safety for insects and caterpillars. Lots of different animals hide in bushes and perennials where they find their food. Our schoolhouse environment should protect local animals. (even if we play football right there). Furthermore, the bushes attract birds in summer and winter and serve polls to bees.

### *Non-migratory birds:*

Non-migratory birds such as the blue tit or pigeons, ruffle their feathers up to save their body temperature. Beside this technique they scoff as much as they can. Some birds hide a stock of nuts which they can eat during the winter. The wintertime is very hard for non-migratory birds. Therefore some humans decide to put bird food in nest boxes.

### *Migratory birds:*

Most of our native birds are migratory birds like the stork, crane or swift. They travel to in warm regions in winter like south Africa and come back in summer. A migratory bird can fly up to 40000 kilometres a year. On these journeys the animals have to pass storms and mountain ranges. Weak or older birds often don't survive. Also humans are dangerous for birds. Migratory birds which pass the Mediterranean Sea are hunted there and sometimes sold as a delicacy.