

Did YOU KNOW?

Wetlands act as giant filters and sponges in the environment. They help to improve water quality, control flooding and provide habitats for wildlife as well as places for people to explore and enjoy. Visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz and search 'Wetland' to discover more about these special places.



ALL ABOARD THE STORMWATER TREATMENT TRAIN!

After it rains, stormwater from the Children's Garden travels through a series of specially designed areas of rocks and grasses called 'swales' that lead into the wetland. Use the All Aboard! sign to label the picture above.

WETLAND WORD SEARCH

You'll have to look carefully for these wetland words - they could be written forwards, backwards, up or down in the grid.

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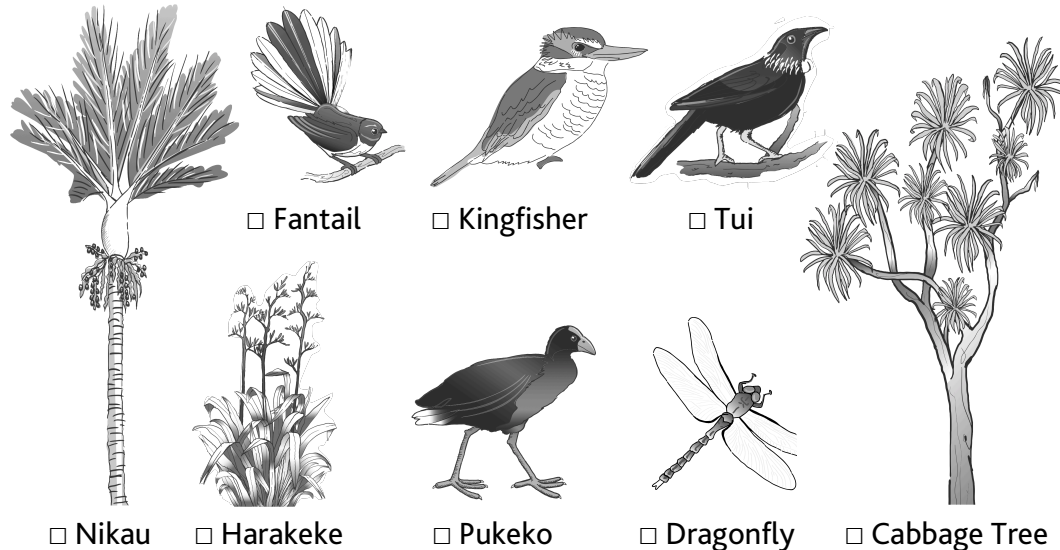


- BIRDS
- CLEAN
- DRAIN
- ECOSYSTEM
- EELS
- FILTER
- FISH
- FLAX
- HABITAT
- INSECTS
- NATIVE
- STORMWATER
- STREAM
- SWALE
- WETLAND
- WILDLIFE

WETLAND WILDLIFE

Wetlands are important habitats for native plants, birds and other animals. Search around the bog and wetland in the Children's Garden and the area near the lake, ticking off the plants and animals below if you spot them.

Note any other interesting things you find on the back page.



- Nikau
- Harakeke
- Pukeko
- Dragonfly
- Cabbage Tree

SKETCH A SELFIE TO COLOUR IN

Draw a picture of yourself on the bridge overlooking the wetland below.
You could add some birds, fish and insects too.
Can you spot something that shouldn't be in the water?



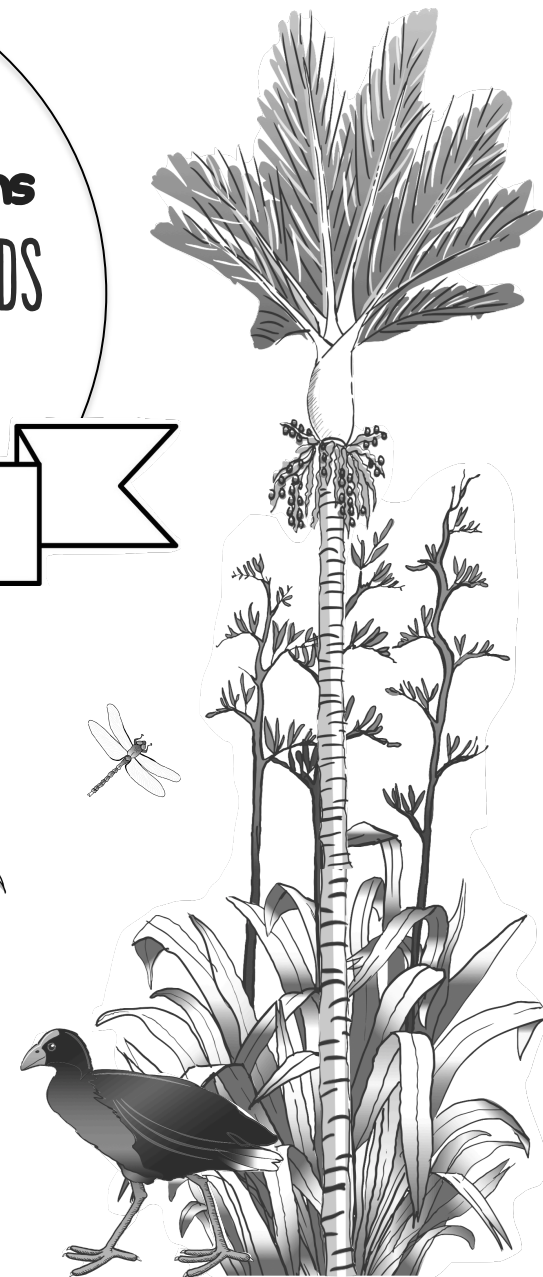
Use this space to write down any interesting things you discovered today:

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