

Year 6: Sample Morning of Owl Pellet Workshops

Ideally with the Display in the Hall and Owl Pellet Dissection in the classroom

Time	Year	Activity
8.00 – 9.00		<i>Set Up</i>
9.15 – 10.30	Year 6	<p>Introduction: Slideshow and Interactive Talk, (10 mins)</p> <p>Look around the Display : try on antlers, touch fur and feathers, handle bones, examine skeletons , use magnifying glasses (10 mins)</p> <p>Interactive Slideshow: ‘Owls and Owl Pellets’ (20 mins) Learn about the different owls in Richmond Park, what pellets are and what they contain and why scientists study them.</p> <p>In small groups, take apart Barn Owl pellets, to discover tiny vole and shrew bones inside. Clean the bones and lay them out to dry.</p> <p>Identify the bones using an ID chart: ribs, backbones, skull, shoulder blades etc.</p> <p>Lay the bones onto a photo of a vole skeleton, to try to rebuild one</p>
10.30 – 10.50		<i>Tidy Up (Adult Help needed at this stage)</i>
10.30 – 12.05	Year 6	‘Owl Pellet Workshop’, as above
12.05 – 1.15		Pack Away