









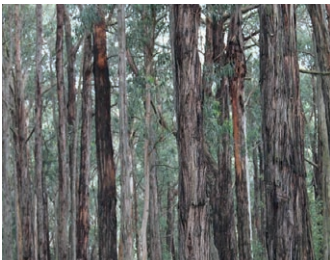






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“Species Survival: More than just sustainability” is the school theme of National Science Week 2024. It’s about understanding that we’re all part of the big, interconnected web of life. Every creature, from the bees that pollinate our fruit trees to the worms that enrich our soil, plays an essential part. Their survival doesn’t just protect nature’s beauty, it ensures the health of the ecosystems that provide our food, clean water and the air we breathe.

Some species are native meaning they occur naturally in an area or region, and some species are introduced, which means that they have arrived from different countries or regions and established wild populations. These introduced species sometimes cause problems in their new environment.

Today on your journey at Puffing Billy Railway you are going to search for some of these native and introduced species. Search the Railway corridor for the species in the boxes below.



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