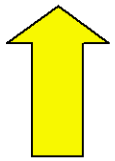
Rye Harbour Food Chain Game

For this game you need 8x 5m lengths of string and 8 sets of 4 cards of varying colours with the species named as listed below. Each child should be given one card (if you have fewer than 32 children remove one of the chains). Then get the children to organise themselves in groups by colour before working out the order of their food chain and arranging themselves along a piece of string. An adult or child as the sun, should then hold onto one end of each food chain, with 8 lines of 4 children radiating outwards. Finally one adult should go round asking one species in each food chain to die. Get the children to work out if the remaining species live or die as a result. *(If played with Nature Reserve staff, we shall bring the relevant equipment).*

Herring Gull	Oystercatcher	Mink	Kestrel	Barn Owl	Merlin	Fox	Hobby
↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Sandwich Tern	Crab	Moorhen	Wheatear	Shrew	Skylark	Ringed Plover	Dragonfly
↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Sandeel	Periwinkle	Water Snail	Moth	Grasshopper	Weevil	Beetle	Fly
↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Plankton	Seaweed	Duckweed	Lichen	Grass	Yellow Horned Poppy	Viper's Bugloss	Willow



Sun