

## The Kakapo

### Year 8 Investigation



THE KAKAPO OR OWL PARROT  
STRIGOPS HABROPTILUS

The Kakapo is the world's rarest parrot. It lives in New Zealand. Recent reports indicate that their numbers have fallen to below 100 individuals. Measures are being taken to conserve this unusual flightless bird.

You are to carry out research and produce an informative leaflet about the Kakapo. The leaflet must include diagrams, tables or graphs. It should address the following details:

- a) The Kakapo's appearance, habitat, food, behaviour and natural enemies.
- b) Why the Kakapo became endangered?
- c) What conservation measures are being employed to save the species from extinction.

You must NOT simply cut and paste but read the web sites that you find and write the information in your own words. The leaflet must have at least 3 different web sites or book references at the end to show where you found your information.