

# WORLD PANGOLIN DAY

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of February



13 to 16-year olds



Show learners the **Pangolin flashcards** provided and present the following facts as you show each flashcard:

- ▶▶▶▶ Pangolins are the only scaled mammal on earth.
- ▶▶▶▶ Pangolins are nocturnal, which means they come out to feed at night.
- ▶▶▶▶ Pangolins eat ants and termites.
- ▶▶▶▶ Some pangolins can have up to 1000 scales on their body.
- ▶▶▶▶ Pangolins carry their young on their back
- ▶▶▶▶ A pangolin's tongue can be longer than its body. When a pangolin sticks out its tongue, it can be 40 cm long. That's longer than a ruler! **(Flashcard 2)**
- ▶▶▶▶ To protect themselves, they curl into balls like hedgehogs. **(Flashcard 3)**
- ▶▶▶▶ Some people kill pangolins and take them to Asia where some people eat their meat and use their scales. They think that pangolin scales can be used as medicine but it isn't true. Pangolins are one of the most smuggled animals in the world and are in danger of disappearing completely.
- ▶▶▶▶ Pangolins live in some parts in Africa, India, China and South East Asia.



Ask learners to design a poster of a pangolin and to write a slogan that will deter people from capturing and smuggling pangolins into other countries.

