## The Scented Garden





Let's tiptoe through the tulips together and discover the sights, sounds and smells of the garden.

This half term, we'll visit a florist's shop or a garden centre. We'll find out how to look after plants, ask the experts questions and appreciate the flowers. We'll write an information book about plants, follow instructions, enjoy the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk* and write stories of our own. Discovering our green fingers will be fun when we plant and tend a pizza garden of herbs. We'll also learn about the different parts of a plant and create our own 'planting and growing' action rhyme. Our senses will help us describe and sort a range of smells and we'll make beautifully scented products. We'll look closely at a wide variety of plants, create detailed, observational drawings and press real flowers to use in collages.

At the end of our project, we will have become plant experts! We'll create a presentation about plants, share the information books that we have made and design a fantasy garden.

ILP focus	Knowledge and understanding of the world
Language, literacy and communication	Recounts, non-chronological reports, information books, instructions, narrative
Mathematical development	Measurement
Personal and social development, well-being and cultural diversity	Protecting the environment
Knowledge and understanding of the world	Presenting information, plants in the local environment, plants of the world
Creative development	Observational drawing, sculpture, flower pressing, making fragrant products, action rhymes

## Help your child prepare for their project

Gardens are so special and are an excellent place to visit together. Why not take close-up photographs of flowers and use a plant identification app or spotting guide to find the name of each plant? You could also buy some wild flower seeds and watch them grow. Alternatively, bake recipes containing fragrant herbs and spices! Cheese and chive scones, cinnamon biscuits and lavender cake are all delicious!