

Weekly Gardening Club Calendar

Spring term

First half

Session	Fruit and vegetable garden	Flower garden	Wildlife garden	Additional activity
1	Planning; what shall we grow	How to take hardwood cuttings	Make a bird cake	Draw a map of your garden or use Vegplotter
2	Washing up bowl allotment	Make a seed storage box	Plant a tree	Mulch your garden
3	Get the soil ready for planting	Sowing in pots (annual flowers)	Care for birds; Put up or build bird boxes	Tool safety and health & safety in the garden
4	Pea head people!	Sow sensory plants from seed	Make a small bug hotel	Learn about seed packet jargon
5	Build a protective structure for your fruit & vegetables	Decorate a plant pot	Be a garden explorer	Make newspaper pots
6	Sow peas & broad beans in pots or trays	Cut back autumn raspberries	What is soil made of?	Make wonderful wind chimes

Second half

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1	Chit 1 st & 2 nd early potatoes; potato crop sheet	Pot up plug plants	Encouraging wildlife into the garden	Soil texture test
2	Run a seed germination race	Plant up spring containers with a twist	Spring flower spotter	Make a measuring stick
3	Sow radish and beetroot	How to sow seeds outdoors	How tall is that tree?	Make signs and labels for the garden
4	Sow carrots	Sow sunflowers in pots	Sow plants for a wildlife garden	How to make newspaper pots
5	Sow and plant your own pizza: tomatoes , garlic & onions	Greening your school	Make a mini wormery	More plants for free - how to divide potted herbs
6	Plant potatoes in containers	How to prick out seedlings	Look for tadpoles in local ponds and build a pond	The great compost game

Summer term

First half

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1	Sow and grow your own soup	Make a wildflower piñata to sow seeds	Pollinator bug hunt	Make a watering device
2	Sow pumpkins and learn how to grow a giant pumpkin	Weeding and thinning flower seedlings	What is a flower?	Flowering weeds spotter
3	Sow rocket (crop sheet)	Top garden flowers	Conserve water in your school garden	Make a recycled self-watering device
4	Sow French beans (crop sheet)	Summer flower spotter	Use the mini beast identification key	Make some fun cane toppers
5	Plant strawberries and grow fruit in pots or containers	Go on a rainbow scavenger hunt	Make a water feature for birds	Draw a sound map of your garden
6	Plant out your pizza pots with tomatoes, onions and garlic	Make frozen flowers	Make a ladybird seed bomb	Watering plants

Second half

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1	Guess the herb	Take soft wood cuttings	Go pond dipping	Five a day on a plate
2	Be a store cupboard scientist	Botanical bookmarks	Make your compost heap happy	Make a herbarium specimen
3	What part of the plant do we eat?	Pick & dead head flowers	Flower power of weeds	Food from home or away?
4	Caterpillar camouflage - learn how insects protect themselves	Flower power poetry	Pest patrol – look out for common pests	Learn the meanings of flowers
5	Transplant leeks into the ground (crop sheet)	Home-grown perfume and magical potions	Enchanting miniature gardens	Hold a produce sale to help raise money
6	Harvest time	Make a flower posy and watch the video here	Den building	Make fun vegetable creatures

Autumn term

First half

Session	Fruit and vegetable garden	Flower garden	Wildlife garden	Additional activity
1	Fruit for free - strawberries	Make a rainbow	Make a mini beast hotel	Make a recycled gardening apron
2	Sow green manures to reduce soil erosion and improve soil structure	Sow hardy annuals and wildflowers	Make a super seed spinner	The power of water! Looking at soil erosion
3	Fruit harvesting calendar	How to take semi-ripe cuttings	Make a rot pot	Learn about fruit families
4	Plant onion sets in pots/in beds	More plants for free - collect and save seeds	Build a hedgehog home	Make origami seed packets to store your seeds
5	Become a pomologist and use your senses to describe apples	How to divide herbs and perennial plants	Who lives in a place like this?	Design a classroom compost poster
6	Plant garlic in pots or in the ground for Halloween	Plant spring bulbs	Make a leaf mould compost bin	Grow beautiful indoor bulbs as a gift or display

Second half

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1	Sow broad beans in pots indoors or outdoors	Use your home made compost	Get your hands dirty	Tool safety and maintenance
2	Taste the fruit find the seed	Go outside and make art from the garden	Make a bird feeder garland	Plant pips and seeds
3	Soft fruit for free	How tall is that tree?	Plant acorns or conkers in pots	Tree leaf spotter
4	Plant out soft fruit	Learn about Christmas plants	Plant a native tree	Make a twig reindeer
5	How much soil?	How to make a wreath	Take a welly walk through a wild area	Make a Willow star
6	Make a potato bag monster	Sale of seeds, plants & crafts to raise money	Mulch your garden	Paint pebbles as gifts, labels or signs