

Topic Title: Let it Grow!

Year Group: 2

Academic Year: 2022-2023

Science Intent:

To use the local environment, to observe how plants and what plants need to grow

 Prior Scientific Learning/Linked Topics: Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. (Y1 - Plants) Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. (Y1 - Plants) 	Literacy Links (including texts/r used): The Windmill Farmer (Literacy Sł Wangari's Tree of Peace	Measurement		
Scientific Knowledge	Working Scientifically			
 observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy 	Observing and Measuring over time Observe closely, using simple equipment. Use observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions. To observe changes over time and, with guidance, begin to notice patterns and relationships.	Identifying, classifying and grouping Observe and identify, compar and describe.	testing (controlled investigations)	Research Use simple secondary sources to find answers. Can find information to help me from books and computers with help.



	To say what I am looking for and					
	what I am measuring.					
	To know how to use simple					
	equipment safely.					
	Use simple measurements and					
	equipment with increasing					
	independence (eg hand lenses					
	and egg timers)					
	Begin to progress from non-					
	standard units, reading mm, cm,					
	m, ml, l, °C					
Content:						
What we already know						
2	The children to tell me what they already know about plants.					
	 identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees (prior knowledge) 					
-	The children are given a selection of seeds and bulbs on their table and asked to have a look at them and talk about what they noticed. (Don't tell them what they					
are).						
	The children make careful observational drawings of seeds and bulbs. Review of Year 1 (prior learning)					
Using different materials e.g. tissue paper, the children will create a plant picture and they will then label the parts of the plant e.g. stem, roots, leaves.						
 Making close observations of seeds and bulbs 						
Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. Children to use magnifying glasses to help make close observations.						
The children are shown images of a sunflower seed, sunflower seedlings and an amaryllis bulb, and asked to think about which is the odd one out and why?						
 Planting Bulbs 						
-	ts and hulbs grow into mature plants					
	Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy					
The children will plant a bulb. Over the next month, they keep an eye on it, looking for how it changes and measure it.						





Using the concept cartoon the children discuss the ideas.

• Observing seeds germinating in the dark

Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. Children to plant some sunflowers then kept in the cupboard- children to observe what happens over time.

- **Observing seeds germinating in the cold and warmth** Some seeds were also put in the fridge. Children to make observations overtime. Children to measure.
- Reflection on observing seeds germinating in different conditions

The children were asked to reflect on what they had learnt by trying to germinate the seeds in different conditions. The children continued to observe the seedling growing in different conditions. The children to plant sunflower seeds in pots which were then taken outside once they germinated.

• Growing a range of seeds

Children to grew a plant that provides us with food. Children to water them, giving them plenty of lights and to take photographs of own plant? Is the plant getting everything it needs to survive?



Key Vocabulary:				
Leaf, flower, blossom, petal, fruit, berry, root, seed, trunk, branch, stem, bark, stalk, bud				
Names of trees in the local area				
Names of garden and wild flowering plants in the local area				
light, shade, sun, warm, cool, water, grow, healthy				
Stunning Start/Marvellous Middle/Fabulous Finish:	OAA/Trips/Visits/Visitors:			
SS- Walk around Wraysbury village identifying plants and trees in their local area.	Ask parent/helper to come in and do some planting with the children.			
MM- Visit to Wellington Country Park				
FF-Planting their own vegetables				