

Unit Rationale



Year 2 Plants

This unit builds directly from the Year 1 unit 'Plants'. Children will look again at what plants are and what they need to grow. In this unit, children will look in more detail at seeds and bulbs. They will learn that germination is the process where a seed begins to grow and changes into a seedling. Children will spend some time comparing plants that receive light and water and those that don't. They will understand that healthy plants need light and water to grow. In this unit children will build on their understanding of plants as food from Year One and will look at how farmers grow plants as crops, which are then harvested and transported to shops. They will consider where the food we eat comes from. Finally, children will show what they have learned by explaining how bulbs and seeds work, using scientific drawing and/or diagrams in their writing to support their answer. This unit will provide foundational prior learning for the Year 3 Unit; plants.