

Grandparent Gardening Week



It's the perfect time to kick start the garden at your early years setting:

Why not reach out this year to engage the support and advice of grandparents, carers and the wider community (including local allotment holders)?

Make it an event:

Identify a time during the week (even after nursery) to host. Involve your cook and DT lead. Ask what crops they would like to see grown. Link the crops with the kitchen and classroom learning. Share ideas and plans across the school to develop the gardening space and then get digging.



After all the hard work, treat guests to some home-made refreshments, soup or even lunch. There are plenty of expert teaching resources to download from our website; from how to plan your garden, through to seasonal planting guides and growing-related games and activities.

By taking part you will be working towards the following criteria of your Food for Life Early Years Award:

3.1: Use this to demonstrate you grow food with children using safe organic methods and give them an opportunity to eat what they have grown.

4.1: Use this as an opportunity to engage with grandparents, parents, carers and members of the local community with your growing activities.

4.5 Use this as an opportunity to strengthen links between early years and school by encouraging shared food related activities.