

Grandparent Gardening Week



It's the perfect time to kick start your school garden:

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 school) to host. Ask the School Nutrition Action Group to lead the activities. Involve your school 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 school-made refreshments, soup or even school dinner. 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 the Food for Life Awards:

B2.3 Use this as an opportunity to invite your gardening helpers in for a school lunch with pupils. Run some 'school tours' to show off other Food for Life related work.
S2.5:

B4.0: Meet the whole of the B4 criteria by incorporating cooking and eating the garden produce into the day - making it a real celebration of food.

B4.2 & S4.2 Be sure to talk about your event. Write a blog on the Food for Life website, and share your experiences with local schools at Ideas Factories. Get the pupils involved in doing this to progress to Silver.