

ALMOND HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL MEDIUM TERM PLAN

TOPIC TITLE/SUBJECT: Plants YEAR GROUP: 3 TERM Summer 1

Vocabulary

roots, stem, leaves, flower, petals, nutrients, minerals, pollen, pollination, seed, dispersal, absorb, life cycle,

Enquiry skills:

classify, group, fair test, investigate, prediction, observe, record, results, table, measure, conclusion

Skills (key skills for the unit in bold)

Enquiry skills:

- Designing a fair test.
- Asking relevant questions.
- Observing outcomes over time.
- Taking accurate measurements.
- Gather and record data accurately in a variety of ways. Interpreting data.
- Characterising and identifying difference, similarities or changes.
- Drawing conclusions

Application/ Outcomes

- Observe and identify parts of a plant and their functions.
- Plan and carry out a fair test exploring what a plant needs to grow. Observe plant growth over time.
- Investigate how a plant absorbs water.
- Describe why plants need flowers and the role of pollination.
- Recognise that plants form a seed as part of their life cycle and explore different ways seeds are dispersed.
- Explaining what different plants look like/their features
- Plants in our local environment

What we already know

From previous learning at KS1 or personal interests outside of school, some children may know:

- What different plants look like and possibly the names of parts of plants.
- How to grow plants (from seed or as a young plant)
- Caring for plants at home

KS1 – Knowledge

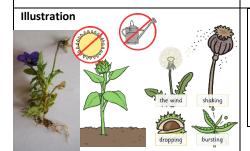
- Y2/Sp2 Seeds grow into adult plants
- Y2/Sp2 Can a plant survive on Mars?
- Y2/Sp2 Plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy
- Y2/Su2 How plants change over time
- Y2/Su2 Identify and name a variety of plants

KS1 - Enquiry/working scientifically skills

- Y2/A1 Observing first-hand experiences
- Y2/Sp2 Observe and describe

KS2 - Knowledge and Skills

- Y3/A2 Rocks Observe over time
- Gathering data / creating and interpreting bar charts (Maths)
- Measurements rulers (Maths)



Other/Cross Curricular Links/Adaptation for SEND

Maths – Statistics – interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables

English – non-fiction texts - how to write and present factual information SEND Adaptations – word-banks, image-mats, mixed ability pairings, varying outcomes

Concepts

- Parts of a plant and their functions.
- What a plant needs to grow and survive.
- Life cycle of a plant including:
 - o How a plant reproduces and the role of pollination.
 - Seed formation and dispersal.