



Plants

Year 3 — Summer 1 — 2026



What's it all about?

This topic is an interactive science-based topic exploring what plants are, the different processes involved in their life cycle and their importance in the world.



Scientists: We will be learning about the parts of flowering plants and what their purpose is, the life cycle of a plant, as well as pollination, germination and seed dispersal.

Readers: Using Destination Reader, we will continue being super readers by revisiting the different aspects of reading: questioning, clarifying, inferring, predicting, evaluating, summarising and making connections.

Spellers: This term we will finish our Y3 patterns, including: prefixes (im-, re-, anti-, super-, sub-), suffixes (-ation, -ly, -ous, -ion, -ture) and different pronunciations of 'ch'.

Writers: We will be reading 'Varmints' in our writing. We will look at different types of narrative writing as well as explanation texts.

Mathematicians: The maths topics this half-term are: fractions, money and time. We will continue weekly arithmetic.

Geographers: We will learn about the countries and counties that make up the UK, as well as looking at the rivers, seas and mountains in them. We will work on our atlas and map reading skills, including compass directions.

PE: We will be exploring athletics and cricket during our PE and Games lessons.

DT: We will be exploring pneumatics and using them to make moving monster toys.

Musicians: We will be learning how to play the keyboard and to read music notes on the staff.

RE: We will learn about the Big Story in the Bible and how it encourages Christians to live a good life.

Life Skills: We will be looking at how to be our best: healthy living as well as considering their own skills and talents.

French: We will be learning about different shops, buildings and town amenities in French.

Computing: We will be learning about spreadsheets.

Family Learning Ideas: Visit Wisley Gardens. Grow your own plants and vegetables. Create art using natural materials. Take a walk around your local area. Make a list of sights and sounds.

Value of the half-term: Resilience. What does this mean? Why is it important?

Trips/Workshops: We have our Kew Gardens trip on Thursday 11th June. A letter has been sent out. Payment must be received by Friday 17th April in order to allow the trip to go ahead.