

# FRIZINGHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 3 classes are starting a new theme called 'Plant Life'. In this theme, we will be describing the functions of different parts of flowering plants. We will explore the requirements for plant growth and study pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. Children will plant seeds and take careful observations as they grow.

In English, we will be reading and writing biographies. We will be looking at the biographies of Sir David Attenborough and Greta Thunberg. Our new class novel will be Iron Man by Ted Hughes.

As part of our experiences, we will be visiting the ACW Garden Centre to give children the opportunity to see, explore and identify different flowering plants and seeds. They will learn about plants using the Now Press Play platform and they will try eating something they have grown from our own edible playground.

In D.T., we will learn where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed. We will use a range of tools and cooking techniques to make sweet and savoury dishes such as pizzas.

In music, we will use the Charanga website for our music and recorder lessons. We will listen and appraise the disco song 'Bringing us Together' and explore aspects such as pitch and rhythm. The pupils will have the opportunity to play and perform in solo and in ensemble contexts and improve their accuracy and fluency in playing their recorders.

In PE, we will be learning to play Striking games such as Cricket and Rounders. We will also play competitive games in order to develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

In oracy, we will explore new vocabulary and learn to articulate and justify our thoughts and opinions. We will learn how to participate in discussions, presentations, performances, roleplay improvisations and debates. We will be using the language of sequencing.

In PHSE, we will be exploring the unit 'Being my Best' and learning how to look after bodies and minds. Our children will carry on completing the Linking Network activities in preparation for the summer visits.

In computing, we will be learning to present work and coding. We will also be learning about online safety regarding health, well-being and lifestyle.

Finally, in French, we will practise words and phrases related to foods, likes, dislikes, days of the week and months of the year.

## Helping at home:



As well as ensuring that your child completes their weekly homework, you could:

- Visit a garden centre
- Plant some sunflower seeds or grow some tomato plants
- Cook sweet or savoury dishes using home grown produce
- Access TT Rocks
- Log into the science part of Purple Mash
- Watch gardening and wildlife programmes on TV

Websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy66fg8/articles/zrrk4xs>

<https://purplemash.com/site#app/games/2diy/Plants>

<http://www.purplemash.com/site#games/2diy/flowerlabelling>




<https://www.purplemash.com/#pup/plants>

<http://purplemash.com/pup/germination>

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Thank you,

Year 3 teachers

PLANTS			
National Curriculum Statement	Purple Mash Resource	Direct link to resource	Ideas, links to Planning & Resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IDENTIFY AND DESCRIBE THE FUNCTIONS OF DIFFERENT PARTS OF FLOWERING PLANTS: ROOTS, STEM/TRUNK, LEAVES AND FLOWERS</li> <li>• EXPLORE THE REQUIREMENTS OF PLANTS FOR LIFE AND GROWTH (AIR, LIGHT, WATER, NUTRIENTS FROM SOIL, AND ROOM TO GROW) AND HOW THEY VARY FROM PLANT TO PLANT</li> <li>• INVESTIGATE THE WAY IN WHICH WATER IS TRANSPORTED WITHIN PLANTS</li> <li>• EXPLORE THE PART THAT FLOWERS PLAY IN THE LIFE CYCLE OF FLOWERING PLANTS, INCLUDING POLLINATION,</li> </ul>	Labelling A Flower –2Quiz	<a href="https://www.purplemash.com/site#app/games/2diy/Plants_Labelling">https://www.purplemash.com/site#app/games/2diy/Plants_Labelling</a>	Printable resources on Plants <a href="https://www.purplemash.com/site#tab/pm-home/science/plants/printable_resources_science_plants">https://www.purplemash.com/site#tab/pm-home/science/plants/printable_resources_science_plants</a>  Using 2Graph, Measure the growth of a plant over a period and record the results on a line graph.  <a href="https://www.purplemash.com/#app/isapps/graph">https://www.purplemash.com/#app/isapps/graph</a>  Using 2Connect, design an experiment to investigate where a plant grows best.  <a href="https://www.purplemash.com/#app/tools/2Connect">https://www.purplemash.com/#app/tools/2Connect</a>  Using 2Animate, create an animation to show how a plant grows or the life cycle of a plant. 
	Label Different Types of Flowers – 2Diy	<a href="http://www.purplemash.com/site#games/2diy/flowerlabelling">http://www.purplemash.com/site#games/2diy/flowerlabelling</a>	
	Plant Diary - (Publishing project - 2Publish)	<a href="http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/plants2">http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/plants2</a>	
	Growing Plants - (Publishing project - 2Publish)	<a href="http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/plants">http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/plants</a>	
	To Investigate the Way in Which Water Is Transported Within Plants 2Diy	<a href="http://www.purplemash.com/site#games/2diy/transpiration">http://www.purplemash.com/site#games/2diy/transpiration</a>	
	Seed Dispersal - (Publishing project - 2Publish)	<a href="http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/dispersal">http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/dispersal</a>	
All About Germination - (Publishing project -2Publish)	<a href="http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/germination">http://www.purplemash.com/#pup/germination</a>		

