Seamer and Irton CP School - Forest School

Topic: Plants – potential dangers posed by fauna and flora

What I should know

Year 1

- Plants can grow.
- Name common insects.

Vocabulary

• Bees, hornets and wasps – a reaction to a sting without immediate medical attention may result in death.



- Stinging nettle this can create a rash and itchy skin. A common remedy is to rub a dock leaf over the infected area.
- Dock leaf helps to relieve a nettle sting because rubbing vigorously releases moist sap from the leaves which has a cooling, soothing effect on the skin.
- **Thorns** without vaccination you can die from tetanus, an infection which can be transferred from a thorn scratch.
- Hay fever caused by an allergic response to outdoor or indoor allergens, such as pollen, dust mites, or tiny flecks of skin and saliva shed by cats, dogs, and other animals with fur or feathers (pet dander).
- Bulbs for example, daffodils, hyacinths and narcissus. If eaten these will cause irritation and vomiting/diarrhoea and can be fatal.
- Celandine and buttercup both of these flowers are yellow.
 Celandine is found on woodland floor, flowering in early spring and buttercup flowers throughout spring and summer.
 All parts of these plants are poisonous to eat.
- **Holly** (Ilex Aquifolum) smooth and often spiky evergreen leaves and red berries in the winter and white/green flowers in late autumn. The berries are poisonous if eaten.
- Hairy caterpillars during the warmer months, these caterpillars can release their tiny hairs which are harmful, as they can cause rashes, asthma attacks, and throat irritations.



What will I know

- Name a few common poisonous plants that may be found at Forest School.
- The effect of some poisonous plants.
- Some plants are harmful if eaten and others are harmful if handled.
- Understand the purpose of different insects and the effects of these.

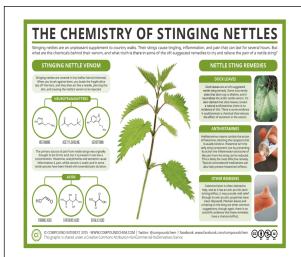
Year 1 and 2

Linked to Science

What I should Know

Year 2

- The names of some common garden plants (e.g., carnation, rose) and the names of some common wild plants (e.g., daisy, dandelion, nettle).
- Know the difference between bees and wasps and their purpose.





What's next?

- There are many different allergies, intolerances and reactions which can occur when you are unaware of what you are touching or eating.
- There are potential life-threatening dangers posed by plants and animals which can occur.
- Which common plants/animals pose a danger in and around our area.