## Year 2 Plants

## Prior and future learning

## Prior Knowledge

- Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. (Y1 - Plants)
- Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. (Y1-Plants)


## What's next?

- Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers. (Y3-Plants)
- 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. (Y3 Plants)
- Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants. (Y3-Plants)
- Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. (Y3-Plants).


## Track your learning

| How I will show what I have learned | $\ddots$ | $\ddots$ | $(\circ$ |
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| I can describe how plants grow from seeds or bulbs. |  |  |  |
| I can describe what a mature plant looks like. |  |  |  |
| I can describe where seeds come from. |  |  |  |
| I can plant seeds and see what conditions make it grow <br> the best. |  |  |  |

## Key Knowledge I need to understand

- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

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Possible texts to read:
Ten seeds - Ruth Brown A seed is sleepy - Diana Aston

Working scientifically assessment: Daisies in a footprint.

Link to maths curriculum:
Measurement:

- Measuring height/weight of plants grown from bulbs - do heavier bulbs grown bigger plants? Measure and compare temperature in the shade, full sun and greenhouse, measure how much water to give plants to keep them healthy. (Choose and use appropriate standard units to estimate e.g. $\mathrm{Kg} / \mathrm{g},{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, litres $/ \mathrm{ml}$ )

Statistics:

- Record observations of measurements of a plant over time (interpret and construct simple tables)

| Vocabulary |  |
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| branches | parts that grow out from the tree trunk and have leaves, flowers, or fruit growing on them |
| bulb | a root shaped like an onion that grows into a flower or plant |
| common | something that is found in large numbers or it happens often |
| crop | plants such as wheat and potatoes that are grown in large quantities for food |
| deciduous | a tree that loses its leaves in the autumn every year |
| T evergreen | a tree or bush which has green leaves all the year round |
| flower | the part of a plant which is often brightly coloured and grows at the end of a stem |
| flowering | trees or plants which produce flowers |
| fruit | something which grows on a tree or bush and which contains seeds or a stone covered by a substance that you can eat |
| garden | a piece of land next to a house, with flowers, vegetables, other plants, and often grass |
| herb | a plant whose leaves are used in cooking to add flavour to food, or as a medicine |
| leaf/ <br> leaves | the parts of a tree or plant that are flat, thin, and usually green |
| nutrients | substances that help plants and animals to grow |
| petal | thin coloured or white parts which form part of the flower |
| plant | a living thing that grows in the earth and has a stem, leaves, and roots |
| reproduce | when an animal or plant produces one or more individuals similar to itself |
| roots | the parts of a plant that grow under the ground |
| seed | the small, hard part from which a new plant grows |
| stem | the thin, upright part of a plant on which the flowers and leaves grow |
| tree | a tall plant that has a hard trunk, branches, and leaves |
| -trunk | the large main stem from which the branches grow |
| vegetable | plants such as cabbages, potatoes, and onions which you can cook and eat |
| vegetation | plants, trees and flowers |
| weed | a wild plant that grows in garden and prevents the plants that you want from growing properly |
| wild | animals or plants that live or grow in natural surroundings and are not looked after by people |

