

# Sow, Grow and Farm

Class: ACERS  
Term: Summer 1

Driver Subject: Geography  
Memorable Experience: Planting in the school grounds



Companion Project  
Eat the Seasons



## English

Non-chronological reports; Diaries; Balanced arguments

## Maths

Y4: Decimals and Money  
Y5: Decimals and Geometry

## Science and investigations

Food chains and webs; Life cycles; Plant reproduction; Growing plants; Modern farming

## Religious Education

Islam: How does tawhid create a sense of belonging to the Muslim community?

## Art and Design

N/A

## D&T

Seasonality – What fruit and vegetables are in season?

## Computing

Typing non-chronological reports

## Music

Lessons from the Dorset Music Service – learning to play the Ukulele

## Geography/History

Dig for Victory  
Land use in the UK; Allotments; Farming in the UK; Maps; Grid references; Climate zones; Physical features of North and South America; Farming in North and South America; Food transportation

## Extras:

*Visit to Launceston Farm*  
*Sports Day*  
*Jubilee Celebration*

## PSHE

Debating topical issues  
Following PSHE programme

## French

Following Salut programme

## PE and Games

Rounders  
Athletics

# What will you choose to do?

\* Learn about agriculture and farming in the UK and worldwide using a range of sources. Create a mind map to organise and record your findings under headings of your choice, then use your mind map to write a non-chronological report. Include a title, an opening paragraph, subheadings, detailed and interesting facts, precise topic vocabulary and images with captions.

\* Research the following terms and write a definition for each to create a project glossary: allotment, arable farming, commercial farming, floriculture, market garden, mixed farming, organic farming and pastoral farming. Add other topic-related words to your glossary as you complete the other home learning activities.

\* Use the BBC Food and Good Food websites to find out which foods are in season in the UK throughout the year. Create a table, listing seasonal foods by month. Afterwards, use the BBC Good Food website to find a recipe for a seasonal meal. Write a shopping list, then prepare the meal with an adult.

\* A still life is a painting or drawing of an arrangement of objects, such as flowers, fruits and vegetables. Explore examples of still life artwork online. Collect and arrange a selection of seasonal produce, then create a still life drawing or painting of your arrangement. Think about including tints and shades of colour in your piece. Remember to give your completed artwork a title.

\* Gardens and allotments are habitats for many living things. These living things rely on each other as a food source. Recap on food chains and webs using various sources, then draw a food chain or web for a garden or allotment habitat.

\* Learn about a flowering plant's life cycle and how they reproduce, including which plant parts are involved in reproduction, using information books and the internet. Record your findings as a scientific report using labelled diagrams and specific examples. Share your report with a family member.

\* Choose a type of farming, such as floriculture, arable farming or dairy farming. Imagine that you are a farmer for this farming type. Research, then write a series of diary entries about your work. Include dates, events in chronological order, interesting factual details, and feelings, reactions and opinions. Use personal pronouns, such as I and we.

\* Use your research skills to find out about the Dig for Victory campaign from the Second World War. Find out why the government encouraged people to grow fruit and vegetables and record your findings. Find examples of posters made for the campaign, then create your own to promote the growing of produce, giving reasons and benefits.

## Useful websites

Britannica Kids – Agriculture

The School Run – Food and farmland for KS1 and KS2 children

Cambridge Learner's Dictionary – Definitions and meanings

BBC Good Food – Seasonal calendar

DKfindout! – All About Plants for Kids – Plant Facts

DKfindout! – Food Chains For Kids – Facts About Food

BBC Two – This Farming Life New Scientist Jobs – A day in the life of a farmer

BBC News – Digging for Victory: Stories from wartime gardens

The British Library – Dig for Victory