

## **Get Gardening with Kids**

There are so many ways to learn about, celebrate, and get excited over gardening.

We plan on getting crafty this weekend by trying out one of these super creative <u>Wind Chimes</u>. Click on the link for instructions – or, design your own by following our <u>simple steps for creating</u> a wind chime with whatever you can find at home. Visit <u>KidsGardening.org</u> for even more ideas.

We also tried out this <u>garden-themed scavenger hunt</u>. See if you can spot the items on the list in your homes and backyards, or while you're out for a walk in the neighbourhood. You can even keep a <u>nature log</u> of all the great things you discover.

Want something for rainy days? Download our printable literacy activities and colouring pages:

- Garden Pests Word Scramble
- Our Gardening Tools Word Search
- Things That Grow Word Search
- Colouring pages

Make sure to check out the following online learning tools, too:

Britannica Library for Children has tons of media on different plant species, and even offers tips for growing gardens at home. Log into the site using your library card; then type "gardening" in the search field. Make sure to select the level best suited to your child's reading ability.

## Explore the science behind plants and other living things (Grades 4-6):

Delve into gardening experiments on *ScienceFlix*. Log into the site using your library card; then type "gardening" in the search field. Check out the *Plant Science* unit – it's awesome!

Learn about farm to table gardening on *TrueFlix*. Log into the site using your library card; then select the "Farm to Table" category. Spend hours on specially-designed projects and activities.

## Introduce your youngest ones to gardening (JK to Grade 3):

Read, write, talk, sing and play all day with nature-themed books and activities from *BookFlix*. Log into the site using your library card; then select the "Animals and Nature" category.

Check out the <u>Sunny Bank Garden Series</u> for kids on Hoopla. Make sure you <u>log into your</u> account first!

Tune in to our streaming Storytimes to enjoy more garden-themed books, songs and rhymes!