

Sustainable Food



National initiatives



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Connecting schools with **food**,
farming and the **natural environment**

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FOOD
hate waste



School
Farms
Network

Local growing initiatives



RHS CAMPAIGN FOR SCHOOL GARDENING

Level 1



This level is about planning your gardening project and identifying the benefits to your school or group.

[Read more...](#)

Prizes awarded

A colourful growing year calendar full of tips and activities to do in the garden

Level 2



By Level 2 you should be beginning to grow plants and use tools safely, and understand basic gardening terms.

[Read more...](#)

Prizes awarded

An RHS gardening book full of tips and guides plus a voucher for 30% off Bulldog Tools

Level 3



Level 3 is about building on practical skills, growing a range of plants and understanding environmental issues.

[Read more...](#)

Prizes awarded

A Rocket Gardens vouchers for three boxes of fruit and vegetable plants worth £150

Level 4



At Level 4 you should be using tools professionally, growing and harvesting produce throughout the year, and beginning to fundraise for the garden.

[Read more...](#)

Prizes awarded

A Raspberry Pi computer kit with a camera module for creating time lapse videos

Level 5



At the final level, you should be sharing the garden with your local community and passing on skills to others. You should also be using the garden to teach curriculum subjects.

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Prizes awarded

£200 in National Garden Gift Vouchers, two 'RHS Five Star Gardening School' plaques to display in your garden and entrance hall, a USB card with the Level 5 logo to use on school stationery and your website, plus a framed certificate
Home Educators will receive the plaques, USB card, framed certificate and an engraved trowel



A Year in Your School Gardening Club

This course is full of fun projects and activities to help you keep your gardening club flourishing in all weathers and seasons throughout the year. Learn basic horticulture skills and find out about safety aspects and practical considerations needed to set up and run a successful gardening club.

Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Westbourne Road, Birmingham, B15 3TR

08 Nov, 2016

£95

Individual Ticket



The Edible School Garden

This course will give you the skills you need to set up a simple productive garden and manage the growing space seasonally throughout the year. By engaging your pupils with edible gardening you can improve their knowledge of plant science required by the current curriculum and encourage healthy eating through the discovery of exciting new tastes and flavours

University of Birmingham, 58 Edgbaston Park Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15

2RT

02 Mar, 2017

£95

Individual Ticket



Cultivating a Healthier School (Grow, Cook and Eat your own Produce)

RHS horticulturists have teamed up with the Food Teachers Centre to provide a practical course to enable you to put pupil's health and wellbeing at the centre of your school with an ethos and culture of great food.

Twickenham Primary School, Twickenham Road, Birmingham, West Midlands B44

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08 Mar, 2017

£120

Individual Ticket



Investigate Primary Plant Science through the Garden

School gardens are a fantastic resource to help children develop a sense of excitement and curiosity about the natural world. Learn to inspire them through the wonder of plants and send them on a Journey of Investigation and discovery as they explore the science of the garden. During the day you will enjoy practical activities linked to soils, plant anatomy and plant classification. We will also teach you seed sowing and propagation techniques to bring your lessons on plant lifecycles to life.

Pershore College, Avonbank, Pershore, WR10 3JP

23 Mar, 2017

£95

Individual Ticket



Apply Primary Maths and English Skills Outdoors

Have you ever thought about taking your pupils outside for maths and English lessons? Being in the school garden or a beautiful local green space will inspire your pupils to learn, enjoy and achieve in these subjects.

King Edward VI High School - West Midlands

04 Apr, 2017

£95

Full Day Training



Organic Veg Growing & Planning

This is a introductory course focusing on how to start planning your organic garden focusing on crop rotation, ground preparation, and much more. The day will look at what you need to do and buy to get started growing your own fruit and veg, and will be based around the you and your own gardening situation.

at: Ryton Organic Gardens

on: Wednesday, 8 February 2017 -
10:00am to 4:00pm

[Read more](#)



Growing Unusual Brassicas

Growing brassicas means so much more than just cabbage and sprouts. In this popular course we will explore the techniques to grow more unusual brassicas such as Vietnamese mustard, Haloon and Tatsoi - all suitable to grow in UK conditions with the right know-how.

at: Ryton Organic Gardens

on: Thursday, 2 March 2017 -
9:30am to 1:00pm

[Read more](#)



Attract Wildlife to your Garden

Our gardens are important havens for wildlife, combined with their surroundings it creates a valuable network of 'wildlife corridors' across all areas. This course looks at working towards having a garden that is not only beautiful, but is a home to as many different wildlife creatures as possible, with the added benefit that these



Growing cards for schools

[Amaranth \(calaloo\)](#)

[Chickpeas](#)

[Dudi](#)

[Sharkfin melon](#)

[Vietnamese mustard](#)

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Exotic vegetables traffic light activity



Local food in schools - Suppliers

Fosbury fruit farm, Hereford - English apples, cox's, gala
Barn Farm, Lichfield - potatoes, carrots, onions
KTC Edibles, Wednesbury - Vegetable Oil
G & G Passantino, Evesham - Onions and leeks
Manor farm, Stratford - Rhubarb, Purple sprouting broccoli
New Farm, Nottingham - bread and bakery - Rugby



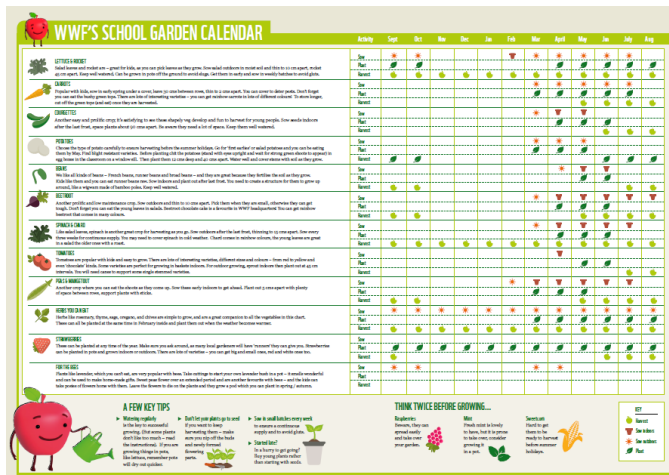
Websites about where things come from.....



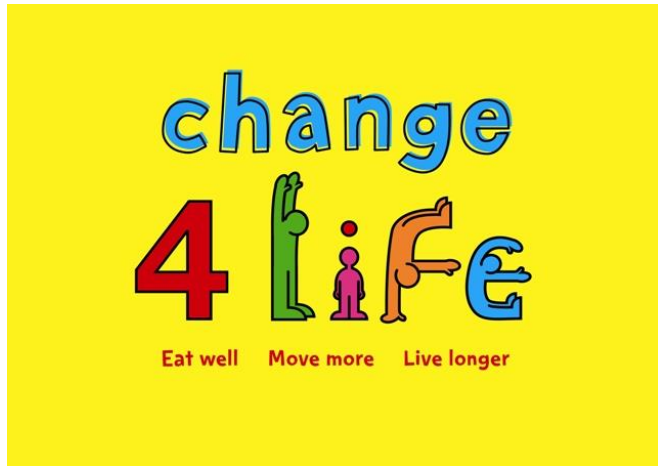
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Websites about growing things



Websites about Healthy Eating



Websites on individual foods.....



Global food issues.....

"A beautiful and important book about one of the world's most important subjects." —Eric Schlosser, author of *Fast Food Nation*

HUNGRY PLANET



WHAT THE WORLD EATS

PETER MENZEL and FAITH D'ALUISIO • Foreword by Marion Nestle



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AN ESSENTIAL RESOURCE FOR TEACHERS

It's all happening on the virtual farm!



www.virtualfarmwalk.org

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For Schools