

Seeds for Junior Primary classes

Finding out about seeds using the 5 senses

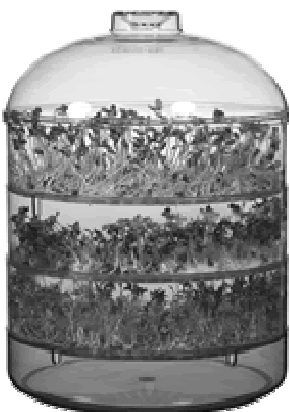
Resources

- a variety of seeds
- Big Book - Seeds (Sunshine Science)
- lid
- cotton wool pad
- wheat seeds or similar



Learning session(s)

1. Spread out a variety of seeds and discuss
 - * what are they?
 - * what do you know about seeds?
 - * observe and discuss their similarities and differences - eg, colour, size and shape
2. Read Big Book - Seeds (Sunshine Science) and discuss the needs of seeds
3. Taste seeds - eg, sunflower, pumpkin and sesame
4. Smell seeds - eg, fennel and cumin
5. Touch and discuss words that describe the feel of the seeds - eg, beans, peas
6. Explore the sounds the different seeds make when put inside containers, paper plates etc and shaken
7. Use the lid, cotton wool pad and wheat seeds for each child to plant their own and then observe them each day. Keep a pictorial diary of growth.



Other Activities

1. Use a sprouter to watch seed growth. Use the sprouts and eggs collected from the chickens to make egg and sprout sandwiches. Write the procedure.
2. Plant a variety of seeds in pots or in the kitchen garden and watch and record growth - eg, broad bean, radish and Warrigal Greens
3. Use seeds in cooking sessions - eg, Spinach and parsley pesto pasta with seeds, Parsley and seed dip