Lunsford Primary School — Science Topic: Plants Strand: Biology

Year 3

Linked Scientists

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Key Vocabulo	iry				
carpel	Female part of the flower				
	which collects pollen when				
	a pollinator brushes by it.				
fertilisation	When the male and				
	female parts of the				
	flower have mixed in				
	order to make seeds for				
	new plants.				
flowers	Flowers make seeds to				
	grow into new plants.				
germination	When a seed starts to				
	grow.				
nutrients	Plants get nutrients from				
	the soil and also make				
	their own food in their				
	leaves.				
petal	Brightly coloured to				
	attract instincts to				
	pollinate the plant.				
pollination	When pollen is moved				
	from the male anther of				
	a flower to the female				
	stigma.				
pollinator	Animals or insects which				
	carry pollen between				
_	plants.				
seed	Seeds moving away from				
dispersal	the parent plan				
sepal	Leaf-like structures that				
	protect the flower and				
	petals before they opt out.				
stamen	The male part of the				
	flower				

What I will know by the end of the unit

Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers

Every part of a plant has a job.

 The stem carries water and other nutrients from the roots to the rest of the plant. Leaves use this water to make food.

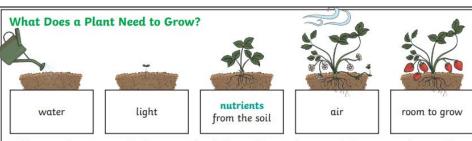
• The stem also helps to keep the plant upright so that the sunlight can reach it easier.

The roots help to 'anchor' the plant in the soil. They also absorb water and nutrients from the soil for the stem to carry to the rest of the plant.

The flowers are important for reproduction.

The requirements of plants for life and growth and how they vary from plant to plant

How water is transported within plants



Different plants vary in how much of these things they need. For example, cacti can survive in areas with little water, whereas water lilies need to live in water.

How Water Moves through a Plant

- The roots absorb water from the soil.
- The stem transports water to the leaves.
- 3. Water evaporates from the leaves.
- This evaporation causes more water to be sucked up the stem.

The water is sucked up the stem like water being sucked up through a straw.

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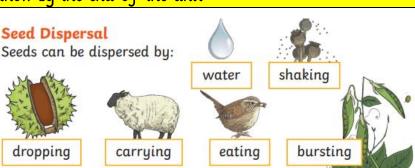
Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

flower

stem

leaves

roots



The petals on a flower are usually bright - this is to attract bees and other insects so that they can collect pollen to make seeds.

Life Cycle of a Flowering Plant

