

GROW YOUR OWN POTATOES



Overview 1: Introduction

Welcome to this Potatoes for schools resource pack for special schools. We think it is important everyone learns how great potatoes are and how to enjoy them as a healthy balanced diet, so we created this resource to help you teach your students all about potatoes.

Here's what you will find inside:

Part One

Part one contains information on how to create great lessons for your students.

- Creating bespoke lessons – this guide tells you how to build outstanding lessons using the resources in part two, the information here and the resources from elsewhere on the Grow Your Own Potatoes website
- Objective selection to start. – Examples of learning objectives that might be suitable for your students at P levels 1-8 in science and PSHE.
- An array of activities. – Activities that you can use to support students in achieving their individual learning objectives.
- Covering the curriculum. – Examples of how potato work can be used to support other curriculum areas
- Assembly Performance – a way for you to tell everyone else about what you've been doing and share your learning with them
- Plenty of plenaries. – Activities that extend and challenge your students
- Marking stem for Science P Levels 1-8. – Assessing your students' potato work will enable you to pitch your next lesson to their individual needs.
- Marking stem for PSHE P levels 1-8.
- Celebrating with certificates – guidance on the criteria for awarding Knowing Growing and Adventurous eating certificates.



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Part Two

Part two contains some key resources and guidance on how to use them with your students

- Growing potatoes is fun PowerPoint
- Guidance on using sensory study
- A sensory study – this allows you to deliver key information in a sensory way. It can be used with all students
- Guidance on using movement sequence
- A movement sequence – this provides you with a kinaesthetic way of delivering key information to your students. Different levels of movement are suggested in order to include as many students as possible.
- Songs – adapted songs covering key information about growing, potatoes and being healthy.
- A texture carousel – an activity to support students in enjoying eating healthy potato based foods.
- Key signs – these will allow you to support your communications with you students through sign language. These signs can be used with all students.
- Key symbols – these will allow you to support your communication with your students by using symbols which provide visual reinforcement for the words or signs you are using. These symbols can be used with all students.
- Planting factsheet – a step by step illustrated guide to show your students how to plant their potatoes.
- Growing fact sheet – a step by step illustrated guide to show your students how to care for their growing potato plants.

We hope you and your students enjoy using this resource.

We'd love to know how you get on; you'll find lots of ways to share what you do with us via our website in this pack.

If you want any further advice on teaching your students about potatoes do get in contact.

Have fun learning about potatoes!

