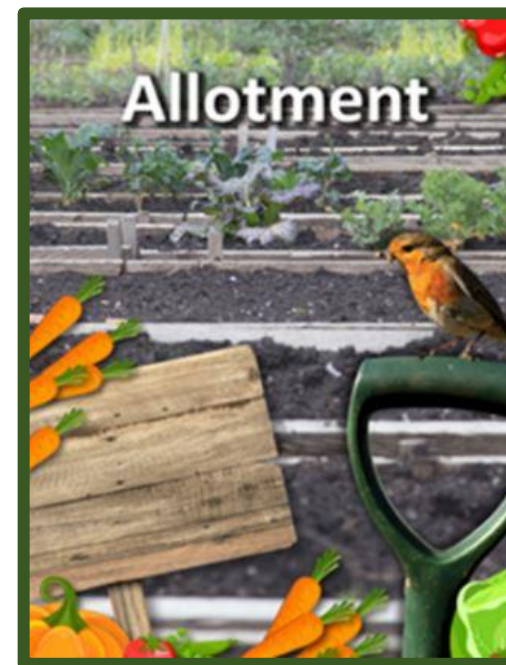


Year 5 Spring Term 2 - Parent Information
Allotment
What will you find at the bottom of your garden?

Let's grow. A crispy carrot, a luscious lettuce or a tasty tomato. Dig deep and put your back into it, making your own tubs and planters and nurturing your greens. Harvest your crops and make soups and dishes of seasonal foods that taste delicious. Learn about farms and where food comes from, writing reports on worldwide produce.

Discover which allotments are closest to your school, and open the door to the secret garden. Then establish a farmers market, harvesting your crops and selling local produce. Include garden crafts and work out your prices. Be sure to make a profit, not a loss. After all that hard work, have your fingers gone green?

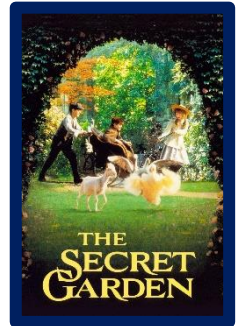


Helping your child prepare for their project

Lanchester has a number of allotments located within the village. Why not visit a local allotment and see what is being grown in our village? Alternatively, visit gardens that have beautiful flowers on display. Talk about the geography of food and identify where their food comes from – can they create a tasty dish from the vegetables growing in the garden?

Our Class Novel – The Secret Garden

The book tells the story of Mary Lennox, a spoiled, contrary, solitary child raised in India but sent to live in her uncle's manor in Yorkshire after her parents' death. She is left to herself by her uncle, Mr. Craven, who travels often to escape the memory of his deceased wife. The only person who has time for Mary is her chambermaid, Martha. It is Martha who tells Mary about Mrs. Craven's walled garden, which has been closed and locked since her death. Mary becomes intrigued by the prospect of the forgotten garden, and her quest to find out the garden's secrets leads her to discover other secrets hidden in the manor. These discoveries combined with the unlikely friendships she makes along the way help Mary come out of her shell and find new fascination with the world around her.



Curriculum Themes for this half-term	
Memorable experience	Visit to Durham Botanical Gardens
English	Writing an information leaflet, Narrative poetry
Maths	Decimals and Percentages, Fractions
Science	Living Things
A&D	Design and make a seasonal soup
Computing	Creating a multimedia presentation about food from farm to fork
Geography	Mapwork of local allotments; geography of farming
History	History of UK farming
PSHE	Keeping myself safe & Making the right choices
RE	What do Christians believe about God?/Easter
French	La musique
Music	Musical cultures from around the world