

Indoor gardening.

You can grow cress indoors and you don't even need soil. Just use damp cotton wool or tissue paper.

Put the base of an onion, a lettuce or celery in some water for a few days and see what happens.

Try and grow an avocado stone.

Try and grow the seeds from a tomato or pepper.

Grow some lettuce in a tray on the window.

Outdoor gardening.

If you have, a garden grow some lettuce, peas or beans. They all grow quickly and easily.

See if you can grow cucumbers or courgettes. They are fun to watch grow.

You might be able to buy a seedling at a garden centre rather than a whole pack of seeds.

Bud Garden Centre in Burnage is very good.

If you have a garden, ask your grown-up if there is a patch of soil you can use for digging, or if you can have some soil in a bucket or tray. Add some water. Make some mud pies. Add some washing –up liquid. Does it change the mixture? Decorate your mud pies with twigs and leaves.

Make a stick person.



## Gardening ideas

**This week is holiday week and we want you all to have a break from working at home!**  
**However, lots of you have asked about gardening and things to do outside, so we've sent a list of suggestions of things you may like to try.**

**We hope you are all keeping safe and well.**  
**The Reception Team**

Go for a walk. Take a pot or bag with you and collect twigs, leaves, seed cases and any other natural things you see that might help you to make things back at home. Or make a journey stick!

How many different things can you find?



Can you make a mini den?



Make a nature artwork.



Make a log dog. You need a stick and a long piece of string. Tie the string around your stick like a lead. Now take your log dog for a walk!

Go on a bug hunt. How many different creatures can you find? Look under stones and logs. Many of them like damp, dark places to hide.

Make a sailing boat or a raft by fastening lots of twigs together. Use a big leaf to make a sail. Will it sail in a dish or in our sink? Or make boats out of apple slices! You can do those in the house!

