



Newsletter

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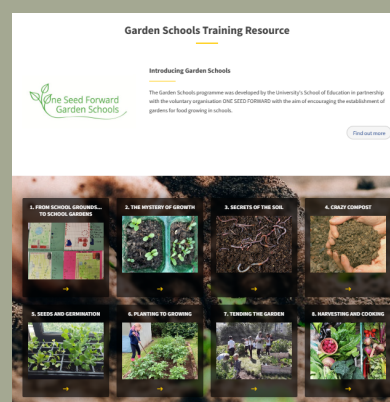
Using the school garden as a focus for learning and well being

Welcome to the Garden Schools newsletter

OSF Garden Schools Training programme is now live!

Over the past few months the University of Aberdeen has been working on the Garden School programme as an online training resource for educators to access and learn at their own pace.

We are delighted that this is now live and FREE for everyone to use. Please visit the programme [here](https://www.abdn.ac.uk/education/research/garden-schools-resource) and feel free to share with students, teachers, schools and others you think will be interested.



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This term in the garden

Explore: Make your own compost by recycling school materials

Discover: What seeds contain

Learn: How seeds grow into plants

Garden Schools programme materials to check out:

- [Crazy Compost](#)
- [Seeds and Germination](#)
- [Planting and Growing](#)



Seed Hubs

If your school is based in Aberdeen City and Shire you may have received seed potatoes from us before.

Unfortunately we won't be delivering directly this year, but we are working with various communities to allow you to collect seed potatoes for schools in locations throughout the area.

Keep an eye on our social media for more information over the next few weeks.

Climate Action Award

We are looking for schools across the UK to take part in activities that will have a positive impact on the planet and local wildlife. Our FREE starter pack contains:

- an information booklet
- factsheets with practical activities
- seeds to sow to get your school into action.

Complete at least 50% of the suggested activities to qualify for a unique certificate of achievement and a place on our Climate Action Award Tree of Honour.

Email us to get your free starter pack: oneseedforward@gmail.com

Claim your free pack!



Garden School Awards

Did you know that you can earn gardening vouchers and certificates for your school by passing the various stages in our programme?

Our [Garden Schools Framework](#) shows what needs to be done to achieve success at each stage. You then just need to send us an email at oneseedforward@gmail.com with some photos to declare and claim your Stage reward!



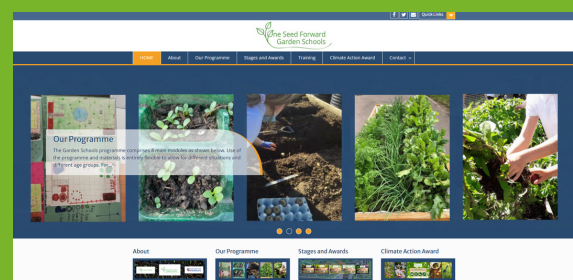
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