

Literacy in the Garden

Write a report for the school newsletter about the progress in the garden.

Read a story and then act it out in the garden. Decide where the audience will be and where the action will take place. How will you use the garden as scenery to set the tone and mood of your story?

Use photographs from the garden as the basis for sequencing and sorting activities.

Write a creative writing piece such as a script about what happens in the garden at night.

Create a job advert for particular roles in the garden listing the particular skills required and write application letters in response to the advert.

Create signs with pictures and information about the different plants, animals and insects that you might find in the garden.

Create brochures advertising tours of the garden and prepare guides for visitors. Plan and rehearse what you will say when conducting the tour.

Write a letter to local businesses inviting them to fund upcoming garden projects.

Use photographs from the garden as the basis for a treasure hunt. You need to find the particular item in the image and when you do you will also find an image of the next item in the treasure hunt.

Write a description of how a plant feels when it is thirsty.

Organise a debate based on a garden related issue such as organic gardening, food miles or the sustainability of seasonal eating.

Add a QR code linking to additional information on the internet. Laminate the signs and put them up around the garden.

Write an email or letter to an earlier year level, introducing them to the garden's secrets and surprises.

Keep a garden journal as a whole class or individually.