

SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL GARDENS

A practical workshop with gardening teacher Dee Pigneguy to inspire and upskill potential gardeners at school

Dee Pigneguy, author of *Growing Gardeners*, will take us through the basics of how to get started with a school vegetable garden.

SCHOOL GARDEN WORKSHOP

Dee will cover ...

- Writing the Organic Gardening Proposal
- Building Enthusiasm, Practical Steps, Building Bridges, Getting Started, Preparation For Growing, Garden Care
- Organic Gardening, Sharing The Fun With the Kids, Nature's Cycles, Soil, Food Web, Seeds, Germination
- Sustainability
- Big Ecological Ideas
- Envisioning the Future

After a PowerPoint presentation, questions and a break for morning tea, we can go out into the garden area and do some gardening.

Dee has a set of notes for teachers that will be available on the day.

Please Bring

Each school may bring up to 3 adults (teachers, caretaker, gardener, parent helper) and 2 students.

A camera.

Enthusiasm, ideas and questions

Your wonderful "can do" attitude

For Information about setting up a School Gardening Workshop

contact Dee: on 09-444 9342 or email: dee@feedmeright.co.nz

You will get more out of this workshop if you complete this together before hand....

1. Go and check out your garden site (or find one!) Is it..
 - North-facing? (use a compass)
 - Quick and easy to access for children?
 - Protected from public view?
 - Near to a water source (for watering cans)?

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2. Does your school's Board of Trustees know about /support your school garden? If you aren't sure, when do they meet in the next few months? Who could go to the meeting to talk to them?

3. Is your compost or worm farm near the garden? Are they working well now? Get them going, they are gardening gold!

4. This year, how can you share information with others about what's going on with the garden? (eg signage at the garden, daily notices, staff meetings, newsletters, website, assemblies, PTA, BOT, local paper, email networks, cluster work)

5. How does gardening /the garden fit into your school's current learning programme?

6. Equipment – what do we have at our fingertips?

Where are garden tools kept at your school?

Who can / How do you get hold of them?

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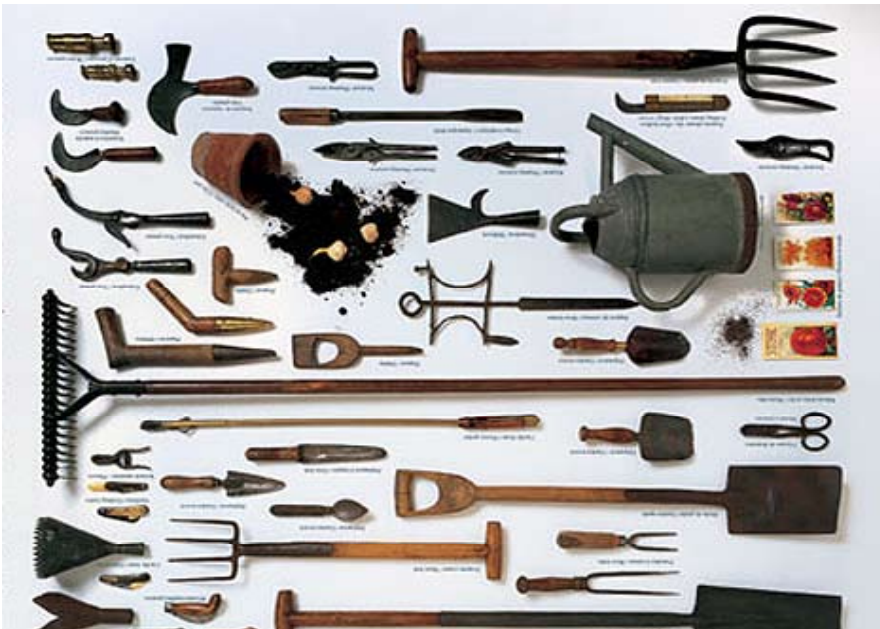
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What garden equipment you have at school? (You don't need it all!)

Secateurs <input type="checkbox"/>	Rakes <input type="checkbox"/>	Shadehouse <input type="checkbox"/>
Gardening gloves <input type="checkbox"/>	Spades <input type="checkbox"/>	Glasshouse <input type="checkbox"/>
Trowels <input type="checkbox"/>	Wheelbarrows <input type="checkbox"/>	Seed trays/punnets/pots <input type="checkbox"/>
Hand forks <input type="checkbox"/>	Garden hoes <input type="checkbox"/>	Compost <input type="checkbox"/>
Hand weeders <input type="checkbox"/>	Garden forks <input type="checkbox"/>	Worm castings/tea <input type="checkbox"/>
Buckets <input type="checkbox"/>	Shovels <input type="checkbox"/>	Access to seeds <input type="checkbox"/>
Watering cans <input type="checkbox"/>	Access to mulch <input type="checkbox"/>	Helpful people <input type="checkbox"/>
Hedge loppers <input type="checkbox"/>	Access to cuttings <input type="checkbox"/>	Trellis <input type="checkbox"/>
Pruning saw <input type="checkbox"/>	Access to manure <input type="checkbox"/>	Garden shed <input type="checkbox"/>
Shade cloth <input type="checkbox"/>	Climbing frame <input type="checkbox"/>	Cloches <input type="checkbox"/>
Other <input type="checkbox"/>		

7. When would you like Dee to come and work with your school following the workshop?



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