



What I already know...

The life-cycle of a chicken. What life is like on a farm and the jobs of a farmer. The machinery used on a farm and how they work. How farming was different in the past and what is like in the present day. Which infant matches the adult farm animal.

What I will learn...

To learn and know the life cycle if a butterfly.

To plant flower seeds.

To learn what plants need to grow.

To learn about minibeasts.

To know what is needed in a wormery habitat.

Key Vocabulary

Seed	the small part of a flowering plant that grows into a new plant.
Habitat	the natural environment of an
Life cycle	the sequence of changes that a living thing goes through as it grows and develops.
Mini-beast	also go by the more scientific term, invertebrates. This includes insects, crustaceans, millipedes and centipedes, even arachnids
Wormery	a container, typically with transparent walls, in which worms are kept for study
Chrysalis	an insect at the stage of development when it is like a worm protected by a hard cover, before it becomes a moth or butterfly



Making a difference at The Merton and beyond

Our **Understanding the World** journey will allow the children to explore our 'In our Garden' topic. The children will explore a variety of text types that will excite their imagination as they learn about the mini-beasts, the life-cycle of a butterfly and plants. They will research and go on a mini-beast hunt before creating their own mini-beast diorama. Children will be given the opportunity to grow a bean and learn about what it needs to grow. The children will so go on a summer walk to investigate what seasonal changes have taken place. Our 'Garden centre' role play will give the children the opportunity to explore their senses and allow children to take a role in their play.

