Where The Wildings Are!

A brand new newsletter! All about what you have been working on across the Where The Wildings Are network. We have willow weaving, plant surveying and a logo competition for you to enter!
Plus a guide to growing your own garlic.

It's been a busy term at Ryelands Primary with all of Key Stage 2 helping to cut and then weave the beginnings of a birdscreen. They showed amazing teamwork, working hard for 3 days despite some terrible weather.

The next step in this project is making birdfeeders to encourage wild birds into this quiet corner of the school grounds. The little windows in the photo above will let children hide from view whilst watching the birds feeding.

Vegetation survey at the Loyne Specialist School

We got very wet trying to find out all the different species of plants and trees growing around the school grounds. Some of us even hid under the trees to try and stay out of the rain.
We found an Oak tree, some raspberries, dandelions, daisies and cow parsley. Next year we will have another look to see if we can find more species.

Where The Wildings Are! Logo Competition We need a logo!

The challenge:

Did you know we are now working with 11 schools across the Lancaster and Morecambe area to grow more food, encourage wildlife and learn outside? That's thousands of children working together to improve our local environment!
But we don't have a logo so it makes it hard for us to stand out. We need YOU to design one!
Things to consider for your design:

- This is a logo for the **project network**, not your school.
- The project is about schools coming **together** to increase the **wildlife** in the grounds, **grow** more **food** in lessons and enjoy **learning outside**.
- This is a new way of improving the **local environment** through schools and **gardening**.
- Be creative and colourful, make it stand out.
- The logo has to make people feel part of something amazing!

Entries are open to all pupils of Where The Wildings Are! network schools.
Closing date for entries is **Monday 16th of January 2023.**
Entries need to be drawn on an A4 sheet with written on the back;

- Your school name
- your name
- your class

Good Luck!

Growing garlic in pots

Did you know you can grow a whole bulb of garlic from one clove? They can also be grown in pots. Planted in the Autumn, they are ready to harvest around June the following year.

1. All you need is 1 to 3 cloves of garlic and a 15cm deep plant pot full of peat-free compost or soil.
2. Push the cloves about 3cm down into the soil with the pointy end sticking up.
3. If you are putting the pot outside cover with some dead leaves or grass clipping to keep the cloves warm as they start to grow.
4. Water regularly and you should get tall green shoots as they start to grow.
5. Garlic can be planted next to carrots, potatoes, and tomatoes.