

Pumpkin Garden Competition 2021

How will the competition Work?

All schools in the city will be given the opportunity to participate in the competition.

Each school participating in the competition will be provided with the same selection of pumpkin and squash seeds and a downloadable guide explaining how to grow pumpkins and squash. It is intended that the plants are started off in class and then grown in the school grounds in a designated area.

In **November 2021**, schools will be asked to submit a selection of photos and a brief report (which can be done by the students) of their garden which shows the evolution of your garden from planning and planting to cooking and eating and final disposal of your pumpkin shells. The report template is provided as part of the downloadable guide. As part of the competition you are encouraged to design the garden on a theme of your choice.

The winners of the competition will be the schools that demonstrate the fullest understanding of the lifecycle and uses of pumpkins, as judged by a panel of growers.

There will be prizes for first, second and third place.

As part of the competition we will be providing information about composting and recipes with support from Carryoncomposting.com.

We will have a virtual training session in **Wednesday 12 May 2021**, 4.00-5.30pm, recording will be available if you are unable to attend.

We'll send out pumpkin seeds by the end of May 2021.

Book your school's place via this [eForm](#) as soon as possible to confirm. Any questions please email GrowYourOwnGrub@Leicester.gov.uk. Please sign up no later than Friday 26 February 2021.

