

Loreto Convent School Gibraltar



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Dear Parents,

Your child has shown an interest in participating in this year's School Gardening club.

I would like to inform you of our mission. Educating children about the origins of our food is important, hence our 'Plant to Plate' tagline. We aim to help children understand that their food is not grown in the supermarkets, but by our dedicated farmers. The children will plant, nurture, and harvest the produce they grow and then prepare and cook it. We will be linking in with our 'Bees in the Curriculum' project where the children will learn about bee keeping.

Of course, we will also be looking to grow a range of flowers and plants to help improve the aesthetics of the school grounds. Our overall aim is to educate, albeit with a self-sufficient sustainable ethos in mind. We will endeavour to use as much of the produce we grow in the garden to cook with at school or at home. To enhance the pupil's Art, Design and Technology knowledge be manufacturing planters, herb racks, and other items for the school garden.

The club will meet on a Tuesday after school, from 15:45 – 17:15. All children will leave via the lower gate and depart the school site as indicated on the enrolment form. There will be an annual £15.00 membership fee which will be used to purchase seeds, materials, and ingredients that we will require over the year. It is compulsory for suitable old clothing to be worn along with the Gardening Club polo-shirt, available at £25.00. Please make all payments through the school office with envelopes marked 'Gardening Club'.

Please complete a [short enrolment form](#) on the 'School Day' section, 'School Forms' on our school website's homepage. This form is to be submitted online by **Friday 10th September** and is first come, first served. You will be emailed week commencing 13th September notifying you if your child has been successful or not, with the aim to commence Gardening Club on **Tuesday 21st September** at **15:45** meeting in the **lower podium playground**. Please ensure your child brings sturdy shoes and old suitable clothing to change into. We require all children to bring their own personal gardening gloves, labelled with their name. These can be purchased locally from BIA Irish Town, Saverland, Interbuild to name a few.

Pupil's will be dismissed from the lower school gate at 17:15 and will be dismissed as you have indicated on your [enrolment form](#).

Should you have any further questions about the Gardening Club please contact me directly.

Kind regards,

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