## Junior School Garden Competition

The Junior School children will again have the opportunity to grow a garden in the Junior School Garden Competition to be judged for the Redfire Nursery Junior Green Thumb Shield!



The focus is on creating an interesting <u>themed</u> <u>pattern</u> of plants in a portable container. You can use flowers or vegetables or a mix of both.

<u>Containers:</u> You can purchase your container and decorate it or decorate something from home. You can use something unusual. No restriction on shape or what it is made of, but overall length must be no shorter than <u>50cm long</u>. Your garden must be <u>portable</u> as the project must be delivered to school. You can use other objects to make your display interesting, for example: action figures, jewellery, trellis, etc use your imagination!

<u>Plants:</u> You must purchase flower or vegetable seedlings. The plants will be judged on how you put your design together, colours, <u>pattern</u> and overall health of the plants. Seedlings should be planted no later than 10 August.

<u>Theme:</u> You will need to think of an <u>interesting theme</u> you could use for your garden. Some themes have been based on movies, fairy gardens etc.

Photo Board: Along with the garden you must produce a photo board which will include:

- -A <u>drawing</u> of your garden and the <u>pattern</u> you chose to use.
- -Photos of you planting your garden
- -Your theme will be carried through onto your photo board.
- -Use decorations like stickers, painting, drawings etc to make it interesting and stand out.
- -Put your name and age on the back of your photoboard

Guidelines from Judges: Judges will be looking for the following:

- -a pattern in the planting
- -an overall theme to the display
- -photographs on the photo board
- -healthy plants
- -container over <u>50cm long</u>
- -creativity and decoration

Your garden must be brought to school on Friday 20 September.

<u>Judging:</u> Judges will be awarding  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$  and Merit places in each of the following age groups:

Year 0 and 1

Year 2

Year 3

The overall winner in all three groups will be the winner of "The Redfire Nursery Junior Green Thumb Shield"