

Parent Guide

How can I use this with my children?

Encourage your child to take an interest in gardening with this fun outdoor activity. Recycle an old welly boot by filling it with compost and seeds and grow some pretty, summer flowers.

How does this help my children's learning?

Turning an old wellington boot into a flower planter introduces children to gardening and planting seeds, as well as teaching them the value of reusing and recycling old items.

Ideas for further learning:

Why not grow a selection of herbs such as parsley, basil or thyme in your welly boot planter? This is an ideal way of introducing your child to edible plants and how they can be used in cooking.



Make Your Own Welly Boot Planter

What better way to use an old, worn-out welly boot than turn it into a colourful planter?

You will need:

- an old welly boot
- a screwdriver
- compost
- gravel, pebbles or broken flower pot pieces
- flower seeds (pansies are ideal for this activity)
- water

How to make a welly boot planter:

- Wash your welly boot to make sure that it's looking its best!
- Make a few holes in the bottom of your welly using a screwdriver. This should be done by an adult.
- Place some gravel or small pieces of broken flowerpot in the base of the welly. Make sure that the drainage holes do not get blocked up.
- Fill the welly boot with compost leaving a 5cm gap at the top.
- Plant your flower seeds following the instructions on the seed packet.
- Add a label so you know what you have planted.
- Keep the compost moist and wait for your flowers to grow.



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