# Suggested template for volunteer role description – kitchen garden

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# Volunteer role description – kitchen garden

## Your role

* kitchen garden volunteer

## Location

In our kitchen garden at Woodend Primary School

## Start date (and end date if known)

9 February 2021 to 3 December 2021

## Why we do this

We want our students to enjoy food that is fresh, seasonal and tasty. We want them to spend time in a natural space full of fragrance and colours, and in a kitchen that makes use of this beautiful harvest.

## Key skills

* Basic cooking and/or gardening skills.

## Main duties

* Plant, water and dig up fruit and vegetables.
* Weed and keep our garden tidy.
* Cook food and clean up in the kitchen.
* Store weedkiller, garden tools and kitchen utensils safely.

## Aims of the role

To help each student understand:

* how to plant, grow and harvest fruit and vegetables
* the connection between a garden and the food they eat
* how to cook, eat, prepare and store the food they grow
* that different cultures eat different types of food
* how a group effort can make plenty of food to share.

## What you need before you start

As well as the usual minimum requirements in the Department for Education volunteer policy and procedure, you must have:

* easy access to a first aid kit and relevant medical details of students.

## Supervision and safety

The kitchen and garden teacher runs the class. Your role is to assist them. You need to:

* always have a staff person present
* be aware of everyone’s food allergies
* make sure you safely put away any weedkiller, kitchen utensils or garden tools you use
* adhere to current Covid requirements and restrictions, including checking in and social distancing
* make sure everyone is safe.

## What we expect from you

* Call food ‘beautiful, fresh and tasty’.
* Treat everyone fairly and with respect.
* Include students of all abilities, ages, genders, and ethnic backgrounds.
* Be a good role model for the students.
* Show enthusiasm and enjoyment – make it fun.

## Reporting and contact details

Volunteer reports to: Jane-Ann Natar, Deputy Principal

Contact person: Sheena-Margot Lavelle

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