

Gardening information

When you first start gardening it's important to choose the right tools for both your school and the kind of gardening you will be embarking on. There are so many different types of equipment available that you could eat up your school's budget on tools that are unnecessary or not child friendly. Here's our quick guide to the basics:

Spade



A tool for:

👉 digging

Fork



A tool for:

👉 holding and lifting

👉 turning over soil

👉 breaking up big clumps of soil

Trowel



A tool for:

👉 planting

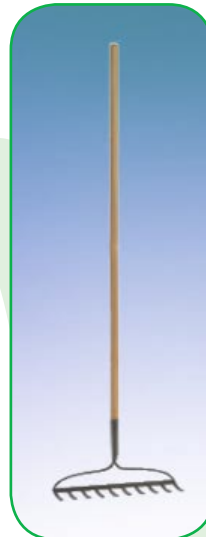
👉 cultivating

👉 weeding

👉 transplanting

👉 great for children to use

Rake



A tool for:

👉 gathering cut grass (or similar)

👉 smoothing surfaces

Did you know? There might even be a gardening tool recycling initiative run by your local council that your school could benefit from.

Hoe



A tool for:

- ✎ slicing tops off the weeds

Weeding fork



A tool for:

- ✎ weeding
- ✎ cultivation
- ✎ soil preparation
- ✎ easy for children to use

Secateurs



A tool for:

- ✎ pruning
- ✎ please note: these are exceptionally sharp and should be kept out of the reach of children

Watering can



A tool for:

- ✎ watering plants
- ✎ please note: smaller watering cans are easier for children to use

Gardening gloves



A tool for:

- ✎ keeping hands clean
- ✎ protecting hands from the elements

Greenhouse solar heater



A tool for:

- ✎ keeping temperature higher to help plant growth
- ✎ teaching your pupils about renewable energy

