***Thacs* Childrens Horticultural Categories from Spring 2007**

**Spring 2007**

Under 5 years: A flower arrangement in an eggcup.

5-10 years: A butterfly design made with flowers and foliage.

11-17 years: *THACS* grown in mustard and cress on any material and presented on a solid base. Max size A4.

**Autumn 2007**

*Under fives:* Character or animal made from vegetables, maximum 254mm (10ins) in all dimensions.

*5-10 years:* Collage, ‘Harvest’, eg. seed heads, grasses, berries etc. A3 max.

*11-17 years:* Autumn flower and fruit garden, A3 max.

**Spring 2008**

Under 5 years: A flower arrangement in an eggcup.

5-7 years: A spring garden on an A4 sheet of card.

8-11 years: Collage made with seeds and pulses. A3 maximum.

12-17 years: Sand or rock garden on a round tray with cacti or / and succulents.

**Autumn 2008**

*2-4 years:* An arrangement made with found materials in a circular ‘oasis’ not more than 15cm (6ins) diameter.

*5-6 years:* Half a decorated eggshell ‘face’ lined with cotton wool with cress grown as ‘hair’.

*7-10 years:* Seasonal collage made from natural materials. A4 maximum.

*11-17 years:* Any plant that you have grown or cared for yourself. 8 inch pot max.

**Spring 2009**

2-4 years: An arrangement of four leaves and one garden flower in your own small vase.

5-7 years: Collage made from any material, subject ‘a single Spring flower’, A4 maximum.

8-11 years: An Easter theme rock and moss garden on a plate.

12-17 years: A spring flower arrangement in your own vase. Arrangement no larger than 12 inches (30.5cm) height and width. Flowers may be purchased and/or from your garden.

**Autumn 2009**

*2-4 years:* A face made of vegetables.

*5-7 years:* Small picture made with pressed flowers on card. A5 maximum.

*8-11 years:* ‘Harvest’ theme collage, using natural materials. A4 maximum.

*12-17 years:* Leaf and berry arrangement. 305mm x 305mm (12 x 12ins) maximum.

**Spring 2010**

2-4 years: An arrangement of four leaves and one spring flower in your own small vase.

5-7 years: Butterfly design made with flowers and foliage. A4 maximum.

8-11 years: Cockerel collage made with seeds and pulses. A4 maximum.

12-17 years: Flower arrangement in a small hollow log.

**Autumn 2010**

*Open Class for all ages – 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes for overall winners:* Largest Sunflower head.

*2, 3, 4 years:* Print a pattern using three fruits or vegetables. A4 maximum.

*4, 5, 6 years:* Three annuals, eg. Marigolds, that you have grown, in a vase.

*7, 8 years:* Three different vegetables, that you have grown, on a paper plate.

*9, 10, 11 years:* Three different herbs in separate pots (10 cm maximum).

*12, 13, 14 years:* Grow any annual flower, herb or vegetable in your own decorated flowerpot.

*15, 16, 17 years:* Grow any annual flower, herb or vegetable in your own decorated flowerpot.

**Spring 2011**

2, 3, 4 years: Find any small sticks, leaves, pebbles, cones, acorns or other natural objects and make a boy and girl from them. A4 maximum on a board or tray.

4, 5, 6 years: Make a miniature garden on a tray with moss, grass, spring flowers, pebbles and other suitable objects.

7, 8 years: ‘THACS’ grown in mustard and cress. A4 maximum.

9, 10, 11 years: Spring flower arrangement in an egg cup.

12, 13, 14 years: Spring flower arrangement in a small hollow log.

15, 16, 17 years: Spring flower arrangement using an Easter object.

**Autumn 2011**

*Open Class for all ages:*

Grow your own Runner bean plant, and enter the longest bean from the plant.

*2, 3, 4 years:* Make a collage from leaves and petals on an A4 sheet of card.

*4, 5, 6 years:* Grow cress in an egg shell to create a head with “hair”, painting a face on the shell, displayed in an egg cup.

*7, 8 years:* Flower arrangement in a child’s wellie boot.

*9, 10, 11 years:* Flower arrangement in a ‘curious’ container, approximately 20cm. in all dimensions.

*12, 13, 14 years:* Flower arrangement in a Coke can.

*15, 16, 17 years:* Display a cactus in a desert scene in a small box.

**Spring 2012**

1 4 years and under: Find any small sticks, leaves, pebbles, cones, acorns or other natural objects and make a butterfly from them. A4 maximum on a board or tray.

2 4-6 years: Collage of a ‘spring flower’ made from natural materials. A4 maximum.

3 7-8 years: As above for 4-6 years.

4 9-12 years: Make a miniature garden on a tray with moss, grass, spring flowers, pebbles and other suitable objects. 45cm x 30cm maximum.

5 13-17 years: Exhibit a spring flower grown from a bulb in its own pot. Max pot size 6 inches.

**Autumn 2012**

1 4 years and under: Make a collage using dried seed heads, grasses, berries and leaves on an A4 sheet of card.

2 4-6 years: Make an arrangement of flowers and foliage from your garden and display in a vase. (Vase will be provided by the Society at the show)

3 7-8 years: As above.

4 9-12 years: Make a picture with the theme of autumn, using collected seed heads, grasses, berries and leaves. A4 maximum.

5 13-17 years: Exhibit three different herbs in an ‘interesting’ container, approximately 20cm. in all dimensions.

**Spring 2013**

1 4 years and under: Collage of a spring flower using fabric, paper, bottle tops, foil etc. A4 maximum.

2 4-6 years: Collage of an Easter egg with seeds and pulses. A4 maximum.

3 7-8 years: Arrangement of no more than three spring flowers, plus leaves, in your own vase. The flowers may be the same type as each other, or different. Maximum vase height 15cm (6ins).

4 9-12 years: Spring flower arrangement in a child’s Wellington boot.

5 13-17 years: Exhibit a pot plant that you have grown or cared for yourself. Max pot size 15cms (6ins).

**Autumn 2013**

1 Nursery & Reception: A display of five different types of leaves, stuck onto an A4 sheet of coloured card.

2 Years 1 & 2: A picture on any subject, made by printing with cut fruit and / or vegetables. A4 maximum.

3 Years 3 & 4: A miniature garden on a tray with moss, grass, flowers, pebbles and other suitable objects. 45cm x 30cm maximum.

4 Years 5-7: As above.

5 Years 8-13: A flower arrangement in your own vase using autumn colours such as golden yellow, orange and copper. Size 600mm high x 300mm wide (24ins x 12ins) maximum. (*Please put your name on the bottom of the vase*).

**Spring 2014**

1 Nursery & Reception: A small tin (6-8cm diameter x 6-9cm high) covered in paper, with a face drawn on the front. The tin should be filled with cotton wool (or similar) and have mustard and cress growing out of it to represent hair.

2 School years 1 & 2: An Easter egg design on coloured card, using Spring flowers and leaves. May be decorated with ribbon. A4 maximum.

3 School years 3 & 4: An arrangement of Spring flowers in a curious / interesting container. Maximum size 30cms high x 30cms wide (12ins x 12ins maximum) including the container.

4 School years 5-7: As above

5 School years 8-13: A Spring flower grown from a bulb that you have planted and raised yourself. Display in its own pot. Max pot size 20cm (8ins).

**Autumn 2014**

1 Nursery & Reception: An arrangement of four leaves and one flower, displayed in your own small vase. Size 300mm high x 150mm wide (12ins x 6ins) maximum. (*Please put your name on the bottom of the vase*).

2 Years 1 & 2: As above.

3 Years 3 & 4: A seasonal flower arrangement displayed in an unusual container. Size 450mm high x 300mm wide (18ins x 12ins) maximum. (*Please put your name on the bottom of the container*).

4 Years 5-7: As above.

5 Years 8-13: Collage entitled ‘Harvest’ using seed heads, grasses, berries etc. A4 maximum.

**Spring 2015**

1 Nursery & Reception: A pattern made with pressed petals and leaves on card. A4 maximum.

2 School years 1 & 2: As above

3 School years 3 & 4: A collage of a Spring flower on an A4 sheet of card. Any media.

4 School years 5-7: A miniature garden on a tray with rocks, moss, Spring flowers and other suitable objects. 45cm x 30cm maximum.

5 School years 8-13: An arrangement of Spring flowers and foliage in your own vase, in a variety of colours. Maximum vase height 15cm (6ins).

**Autumn 2015**

1 Nursery & Reception: A small box decorated with dried seed heads, grasses and berries. The box must be no more than 15cm (6ins) in all dimensions and may be painted or plain.

2 Years 1 & 2: A mini flower arrangement in an egg cup.

3 Years 3 & 4: Picture of an animal made using paints, seeds, grasses, berries, seed heads etc. A3 maximum.

4 Years 5-7: Design, draw and colour a front cover for a book entitled “In My Garden”. A4 maximum.

5 Years 8-13: Hand-tied posy with flowers, foliage and a ribbon. Maximum size 20cm (8ins) in all dimensions.

**Spring 2016**

**For categories 1 & 2, please write your name on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: Use vegetables to print a picture or pattern in bright colours on A4 paper. The paper may be any colour.

2 School years 1 & 2: Drawing of a tree with blossom, made using pencils, crayons or felt-tip pens. A4 maximum.

3 School years 3 & 4: A three-dimensional arrangement made with found natural objects, such as stones, cones, leaves and twigs. Size 30cm (12ins) maximum in all three dimensions.

4 School years 5-7: As above.

5 School years 8-13: An arrangement of Spring flowers and leaves in an unusual or curious container. Size 30cm (12ins) maximum in all three dimensions (including the container).

**Autumn 2016**

1 Nursery & Reception: Use cut fruit and vegetables to print a picture or pattern with paint. A4 maximim. The paper may be any colour.

2 Years 1 & 2: Model of any animal made mainly from vegetables and fruit. Size 30cms (12ins) maximum in all three dimensions.

3 Years 3 & 4: A collage made with pressed and / or dried flowers on an A4 sheet of card.

4 Years 5-7: A selection of flowers and foliage from your garden, displayed in your own vase. Maximum vase height 15cm (6ins).

5 Years 8-13: Any plant or vegetable that you have grown yourself.

**Spring 2017**

**For categories 1 & 2, please write your name on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: Use vegetables to print a picture or pattern in spring colours on A4 paper. The paper may be any colour.

2 School years 1 & 2: A collage made with pressed spring flowers and foliage on an A4 sheet of card.

3 School years 3 & 4: An arrangement of Spring flowers in an egg cup.

4 School years 5-7: Any plant that you have been growing in a pot at home. Max. 20cm (8ins) pot.

5 School years 8-13: As above.

**Autumn 2017**

**For categories 1 and 2, please label with your first name**

**and surname on the back of your entry.**

**1 *Open Class* *for all age groups:***

Drawing or painting entitled “Harvest”. A4 maximum.

2 Nursery & Reception: A display of five different types of leaves, stuck onto a sheet of coloured card. A4 maximum.

3 Years 1 & 2: A selection of flowers and foliage from your garden, displayed in your own container. Maximum size 30cm high x 15cm wide (12ins x 6ins).

4 Years 3 & 4: A small box decorated with found natural objects, such as stones, cones, leaves and twigs. The box must be no more than 15cm (6ins) in all dimensions and may be painted or plain.

5 Years 5-7: Any plant or vegetable that you have grown yourself.

6 Years 8-13: As above.

**Spring 2018**

**For category 3, please write your name on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: An arrangement of Spring flowers in a jam-jar.

2 School years 1 & 2: A funny figure or animal made from vegetables.

3 School years 3 & 4: Collage of a house or other building, made with natural found objects from the garden or woodland, mounted on card (of any colour). A3 maximum.

4 School years 5-7: A spring garden made in the lid of a shoe box.

5 School years 8-13: As above.

**Autumn 2018**

**For categories 1 and 2, please label with your first name**

**and surname on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: Collage made with natural materials from the garden or countryside, mounted onto a sheet of coloured card. A4 maximum.

2 Years 1 & 2: Small picture made with pressed flowers and leaves on an A5 card.

3 Years 3 & 4: Any flower or vegetable that you have grown yourself in your garden or allotment.

4 Years 5-7: Small flower arrangement in a coloured bottle or jar. Maximum size 30cm high x 15cm wide (12ins x 6ins).

5 Years 8-13: As above.

**Spring 2019**

**For categories 1 & 2, please write your name on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: Collage of a tree or flower, made with natural found objects such as small sticks, leaves, pebbles, shells, cones etc. mounted on card (of any colour). A3 maximum.

2 School years 1 & 2: Collage (open subject) made with pressed flowers and foliage mounted on card (of any colour). A3 maximum.

3 School years 3 & 4: Model of a flower or insect made of Lego to your own design. Size 30cms (12ins) maximum in all three dimensions.

4 School years 5-7: An arrangement of Spring flowers and leaves in an unusual or curious container. Size 30cm (12ins) maximum in all three dimensions (including the container).

5 School years 8-13: Any plant that you have been growing in a pot (indoor or out). Max. 20cm (8ins) pot.

**Autumn 2019**

**For category 1, please write your name on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: Sunflower head based on a round paper plate, painted and decorated using any materials.

2 Years 1 & 2: Stone or small rock, decorated as a garden ornament. Maximum size 15cm (6ins) in all dimensions.

3 Years 3 & 4: An eggshell succulent garden, with succulents planted into soil or compost in an egg shell. Display on a decorated cardboard tube or piece of cardboard eggbox.

4 Years 5-7: Plant holder or pot made from a re-cycled container and decorated in a garden theme with bright colours. Maximum size 30cm high x 15cm wide (12ins x 6ins).

5 Years 8-13: Any flower or vegetable that you have grown yourself in your garden or allotment.

**Shows planned for Spring 2020, Autumn 2020 and Spring 2021 were cancelled because of the Covid-19 pandemic.**

**Autumn 2021**

**For categories 3 and 4, please write your name on the back of your entry.**

1 Nursery & Reception: Model of any animal made mainly from vegetables and fruit. Maximum size 30cms (12ins) in all three dimensions.

2 Years 1 & 2: Display of floating flower heads, floating in water in a shallow container. The water may be coloured. Maximum size 5cm high x 15cm wide (2ins x 6ins).

3 Years 3 & 4: College made with pressed flowers and leaves. A4 maximum.

4 Years 5-7: Picture or pattern made by printing with fern leaves. A4 maximum.

5 Years 8-13: One potted outdoor plant that you have grown yourself. Maximum 20cm (8ins) pot.

**Spring 2022**

1 Nursery & Reception: Picture or pattern made by printing with fruits and / or vegetables. A4 maximum.

2 School years 1 & 2: Model of any animal made mainly from vegetables and fruit. Maximum size 30cms (12ins) in all three dimensions.

3 School years 3 & 4: Any flower, fruit or vegetable that you have grown yourself in your garden or allotment.

4 School years 5-7: A Bug Hotel inside a re-cycled durable household container (milk container etc). Maximum size 30cms high x 15cm wide (12ins x 6ins).

5 School years 8-13: Any indoor plant that you have been growing in a pot. Max. 20cm (8ins) pot.

**Autumn 2022**

**1 *Open Class* *for all age groups:***

Any plant that you have been growing in a pot. Max. 20cm (8ins) pot.

2 Nursery & Reception: Any fruit or vegetable that you have grown yourself in your garden or allotment.

3 Years 1 & 2: Picture of your favourite vegetables and/or flowers, drawn or painted. A4 maximum.

4 Years 3 & 4: A Bug Hotel of your own design, using an open-fronted container (such as a box or a plant pot on its side). Maximum size 30cm (12ins) in all dimensions.

5 Years 5-7: Any house plant or cactus that you have been growing in a pot. Max. 20cm (8ins) pot.

**Categories with no entries are shown in red.**

**Categories with just one entry are shown in blue.**