

# Seasonal Changes

A season is a part of the year marked by changes in the weather. There are four seasons in a year spring, summer, autumn and winter which all have different weather patterns and daylight hours due to the earth changing its position to the sun.

## Prior Learning

### Reception Understanding the World:

- I can look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change.
- I can make observations and explain why some things occur and talk about the changes.

## Moving On

### Year 2 Plants












- I can describe how plants and seeds grow into plants.
- I can recognise that water, light and a suitable temperature are needed for the survival and growth.

## Key Facts

- The earth moves around the sun tilted and this is what causes our seasons.
- The earth's tilt affects daytime and night-time.
- In **Autumn** the amount of time it is light becomes less, the leaves start to change colour and fall off the trees.
- In the **Winter** we have colder weather, sometimes snow and frost. The trees have no leaves and the time of light during the day is at its shortest.
- In the **Spring** the weather usually turns warmer. Trees begin to grow their leaves; plants start to flower, and young animals are born.
- In **Summer** the weather is usually warm. The trees have full green leaves and the amount of time it is light during the day is longer.



## Key Vocabulary

<b>Summer</b>	June, July and August	
<b>Winter</b>	December, January, February	
<b>Autumn</b>	September, October, November	
<b>Spring</b>	March, April, May	
<b>Night time</b>	When it is dark outside	
<b>Daytime</b>	When it is light outside	
<b>Rain</b>	Water falling from the sky	
<b>Snow</b>	Frozen water falling from the sky	
<b>Hail</b>	Frozen water fallen from the sky	
<b>Sun</b>	The star in our solar system	
<b>Hot</b>	A lot of heat	
<b>Cold</b>	No heat	