## Our Visit to the Royal Botanic Gardens The Sensory Garden





We are going to visit the Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria.

We can also call it the Botanic Gardens.

The Botanic Gardens is a beautiful, large garden near the city of Melbourne. It has many plants from all around the world.



We will enter the Botanic Gardens at Oak Lawn Gate.

We will see a large building, Mueller Hall, next to the gate .





A Learning Facilitator will greet us.

We will find a quiet place to have a snack and drink.

There are signs to show us directions to the toilets nearby .





My teacher and the Learning Facilitator will help me to stay safe at the Botanic Gardens.



We will see an old oak tree which fell at the Gardens in 2019. We can balance and climb on the branches of the oak tree.



We will walk to the Sensory Garden.

We may see birds along the way. We will walk quietly so we don't frighten the birds.

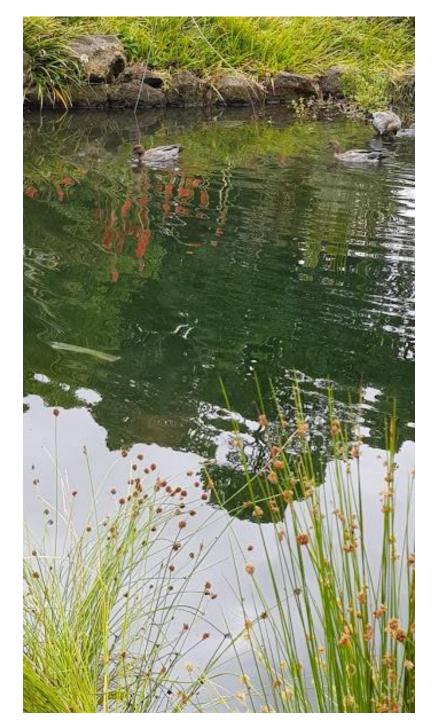




We can use our senses for exploring at the Sensory Garden.

We can use our eyes for looking, our ears for listening, our hands for touching, our noses for smelling and our bodies for moving.





There are quiet places in the Gardens where we can rest.



We will find a place near the Sensory Garden where we can play with natural materials. We can choose to do some planting too.



We can use our senses to explore the leaves, flowers and seedpods.



We can pot a scented plant, such as rosemary or geranium, to take home.

The plant seedlings or cuttings will need water to help roots grow.



We will walk through Fern Gully.

We can feel the cool air.

We can smell the damp earth.

We can listen for birds, the trickling water and wind in the trees.

It's calm and quiet in Fern Gully.



We will walk to the Herb Garden.

Herbs are plants used for food, medicine and perfume.

The herb garden is shaped like a wheel.

We can explore the garden.



In the herb garden we can look for a cooking herb and a medicine herb.

We can rub the leaves of the plants to release the scent.

The Learning Facilitator will help us to make pot pourri, a small bag of scented herbs.





We will find a quiet place to have our lunch. Visiting the Botanic Gardens makes us feel relaxed, and it's fun.

