

Dear Family: In class today, we learned about the parts of a plant.

Did you know?

- Plants are living things.
- They need water, light, nutrients, and air to grow.
- Plants have roots, stems, leaves, flowers, and seeds.
- Plants use carbon dioxide.
- Plants make oxygen.

Ask your child:

- Explain what you learned about plants today.
- Tell me some parts of a plant.
- Describe what some of the parts do for the plant.
- Tell me what it is that plants make and people need.

Vocabulary:

- roots – the parts of a plant that grow under the ground.
- stem – the main part of a plant. The stem supports the other parts of the plant.
- leaves – a flat part of a plant that grows from the stem.
- flower – the blossoming part of a plant. The flower makes fruit or seeds.
- seed – the small part of a plant with flowers that grows into a new plant.
- photosynthesis – the process a plant uses to make food.

Activity:

Take your child outside, and look at some of the plants that are growing. Talk with your child about what the plant needs. Talk about how to care for it. Talk about the parts of the plant. Point out the roots, stem, leaves, and flowers. Have your child draw a picture of the plant. Help your child identify the parts of the plant. Write them on the picture. Send it to school.