

# 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 toilets nearby too.



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.



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



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.



We can collect treasures in the garden. We can use our senses to explore the leaves, flowers and seedpods.



We may pot some scented plants, such as rosemary and geranium, to take home.

The plant 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.

