

SECTION FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE



Free entry!

Open to those aged 15 and under on 15th August 2026.

All classes judged as two age ranges: under 9s and 9-15s.

Rosettes will be awarded to all 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners.

Cash prizes for class Y1 only.



BGS YOUTH SUMMER CUP (U9s): Best exhibit in the Section for Children & Young People, Under 9s

BGS YOUTH SUMMER CUP (9-15s): Best exhibit in the Section for Children & Young People, 9-15s

Class

- Y1** **GFGS CLASS: TOMATOES** — 3 or more tomatoes that you have grown yourself. Displayed on a plain plate or dish. Your tomatoes may be any size and colour. They may be of the same or different varieties. Display your tomatoes whole with their calyx attached.
- 1st place: £5 2nd place: £3 3rd place: £2
- Y2** **HOMEGROWN FRUIT AND/OR VEGETABLE(S)** — One or more fruit and/or vegetables that you have grown yourself. Displayed in a basket or box, on a plate, or just on the show bench. Your fruit and/or vegetables may all be of the same type or a mixture of different types.
- Display your exhibits whole, but make sure that they are clean and remove any scruffy leaves. Leave short stalks attached to beans, peas, tomatoes, and fruit. Trim the tops of carrots to 7.5cm.
- Y3** **FLOWERING GARDEN PLANT** — A flowering garden plant (not a houseplant) that is growing in a plant pot or upcycled container. You must have looked after your plant for at least two months before the Show.
- Your plant pot or container won't be judged, only your flowering garden plant.
- Y4** **BLOOMS FOR BUGS** — A jam jar filled with an arrangement of garden flowers that are attractive to pollinators such as bees, hoverflies, wasps, moths, butterflies, or beetles. Your display may also include some common garden weeds.
- Y5** **MINIATURE WOODLAND GARDEN** — A miniature woodland garden displayed in a seed tray, baking tray, or similar container. Your garden should be made mainly from natural materials. We would love to see some living plants. You may include some small models of woodland creatures (real or imaginary) if you wish.
- Y6** **ART: FOREST OF DEAN POSTER** — A poster advertising the Forest of Dean as a great place to live or visit. It could include, for example, pictures of sheep, wild boar or deer, a bike riding on the forest trails, a freeminer, or bluebells growing in the woods. Even a zip wire!
- Your poster may be created using any medium, e.g. pencils, paints, felt tip pens, pastels, charcoal, crayons or printed digital art.
- Maximum size: 30 x 42cm.

- Y7 CRAFT: PAINTED PEBBLES** — One or more pebbles decorated with any design. For example, abstract patterns, flowers, fruit, insects, animals, mythical creatures, or even a short poem. You may use any type of paint, felt tip pens or other medium to decorate your pebbles - your pebbles do not need to be weather resistant for this competition.
- Y8 CRAFT: ANY OTHER** — Anything that you have built, made or crafted yourself. This is an opportunity to show off your favourite craft hobby. For example, Lego modelling, knitting, sewing, modelling clay, felting, papier-mâché, papercraft, origami, cross-stitch, crochet, quilling or beading.
- Y9 BAKING: TOMATO TARTS** — A tomato tart that you have made yourself. Made according to the **set recipe provided on page 52**. The recipe may be adapted to be vegan and/or gluten free. Please list any adaptations next to your bake.
- Y10 PHOTOGRAPHY: FRIENDLY FACE** — A photograph of a family member or friend. Try to focus on their friendly face.
- Cropping, straightening, cloning, sharpening and colour enhancement of your image is allowed.
- Maximum size: 30 x 21cm.
- Please print your image on photographic paper. If you need help printing your photograph, please contact the Show Secretary.

Advice sheet: If you would like an inspiration and advice sheet for these classes, look on our website or get in touch with the Show Secretary on breamgardeningociety@gmail.com.



Free Workshops for Young Gardeners



Activities at the West Dean Centre - for primary children and above

Summer half-term	Thursday 28 th May	2.00 – 4.00pm
Summer holiday	Thursday 23 rd July	2.00 – 4.00pm
	Thursday 6 th August	2.00 – 4.00pm
Autumn half-term	Thursday 29 th October	2.00 – 4.00pm

Places are limited so booking is essential!
To join in - email breamgardeningociety@gmail.com
Remember to tell us your name and age.



RECIPE FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Class Y9 – Tomato Tarts

Adapted from www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/heritage_tomato_tart_49741

The recipe may be adapted to be vegan and/or gluten-free.

Ingredients

320g ready-made puff pastry (or you could make your own pastry)

Plain flour, for dusting your worksurface

1 egg yolk, beaten (or a splash of milk, cream, yoghurt, soya milk etc.)

150g grated cheese (you could use a little cheese spread, cream cheese, pesto or tapenade instead)

300g tomatoes, thickly sliced

3 sprigs fresh thyme leaves (optional)

1 tablespoon oil

salt and pepper (optional)



Method

1. Preheat your oven to 210°C/ 190°C fan/ gas mark 7.
2. Roll out the pastry on a lightly floured work surface until it is about 3mm thick.
3. Cut 3 circles, approximately 17.5cm in diameter, from the pastry using an upturned bowl or cake tin. Transfer the pastry circles to your baking tray.
4. Using a sharp knife, score a 1.5cm border around the edge of each pastry circle. Brush each border with a little of the egg yolk or alternative.
5. Pile a third of the grated cheese in the centre of each pastry circle. Arrange the tomato slices on top of the cheese.
6. Season your tarts with a little salt and pepper, then scatter over the thyme leaves. Brush or drizzle the tomatoes with a little oil.
7. Bake the tarts in the oven for 12 to 15 minutes, or until the pastry borders have risen and are golden-brown and the filling is bubbling.
8. Display your best tart on a plain plate for the Show. When it is cool, cover your tart with a clear covering such as clingfilm.