

Herb Satchels

Grade Level: Kindergarten

Season: Fall/Winter

Larger IGS Unit: Farms

Essential Question: What are herbs? What can we do with plants in the winter?

Objective: Students will smell and feel different herbs in the garden. Students will be able to compare different herbs. Students will be able to identify some of the herbs in the garden.

Materials: Herbs (to be harvested or harvested already), scissors

Introduction:

Ask students, "What are herbs? Have you ever heard of some of these herbs?" List rosemary, mint, thyme. Talk about the garden in the winter. "What can we do with plants if they are no longer going to grow in the garden?" Discuss drying herbs.

Activity: Students go out into the garden to harvest herbs. Come back together and share the herbs. Each student gets to smell the herbs. We talk about the differences and similarities.

Students lay out the herbs they find in the greenhouse.

Next class, students gather the dried herbs and make herb satchels.

Wrap up/ Assessment: Students name one herb they found in the garden.

Extensions:

In spring, students choose a variety of herbs to plant in the garden.