## Glossary for Life Cycles

carpel	style ovule	The female part of the flower, (made of an ovary, a style and a stigma ).
chlorophyll		The green pigment in leaves which helps the plant to make its own food.
dispersal		Spreading seeds far away from the parent plant.
fertilisation		When the pollen grain joins with the ovule.
fruit		The hard or fleshy part of the plant that makes a container for the seeds to grow in.
germination	Germination	When a seed starts to grow and produces a small root and a shoot.
life cycle	The Life Cycle of a Plant	Young plants and animals grow up then reproduce. These young then continue the same cycle.
nutrients		Mineral salts dissolved in the soil water which are needed for the plant to grow.
ovary	stigma ovary ovule sepal nectary	The part of the carpel where the ovules are produced.
ovule	Placenta Ovule/seed	The part of the carpel that becomes the seed when it has been fertilized.

petal		The part of the flower which may be brightly coloured.
photosynthesis	Photosynthesis  carbon dioxide from the air  water and nutrients	The way plants make their own food from carbon dioxide (in the air) and water using sunlight and chlorophyll.
pollen	Retro	Small male grains that are produced at the top of the stamen. These are used to fertilize the ovules.
pollination		Getting pollen from the stamen of one flower to the stigma of another flower of the same species (type).
reproduce		Make a new generation.
seeds	seeds	After fertilization, the ovules become seeds. These can grow to make new plants.
sepal		Protects the petals when the flower is still in the bud.
stamen	JES .	The male part of the flower where the pollen is made.
stem	3	Holds the plant upright and carries water and nutrients from the roots to the rest of the plant.
stigma	Stigma Style Pollen tube	The top part of the carpel which pollen grains stick to.
style	Ovule	The part of the carpel that holds up the stigma and connects the stigma to the ovary.