



Kitchen Herb Pots

Many school kitchens have warm windowsills that look lovely dressed up with bright pots of herbs. Herb pots also make great presents for prizes, for school guests or for special occasions.

Equipment:

- New terracotta pots that fit your windowsill
- Broken terracotta pieces
- Potting soil
- Trowels
- Seedlings – basil, coriander, thyme and parsley all work well
- Coloured ribbon
- Scissors
- Glue
- Oblong melamine platters (available in most discount stores)

What to do:

1. Put broken terracotta pieces in the bottom of the pots to a depth of about 1 cm, to create a drainage layer.
2. Using the trowels, half fill the pots with potting soil.
3. Squeeze or tap the seedlings out of their pots – if your terracotta pots are large enough you might be able to put more than one seedling in each pot.
4. Place the seedlings into the pot at equal distances apart.
5. Gently backfill with potting soil. You want about 2 cm of pot rim to be showing once you have finished, to allow room for watering.
6. Cut ribbon to lengths to wrap around the pot.
7. Apply glue to the circumference of the pot, where you want to stick the ribbon.
8. Wrap and tie the ribbon, pressing down gently to allow the glue to adhere.
9. Place the pots onto the melamine platter on the windowsill.

