# **FACTSHEET**

Discover some wonderful facts about weeds that will make you see these wild wonders in a completely differently light

## **WACKY WEEDS**

Here are some weird and wacky facts about plants known as weeds



## **Buttercup**

Some people think that if you hold a buttercup under your chin and the yellow reflects on your skin, it means that you like butter



These pretty blooms are also considered to be weeds and in old stories they meant that fairies were nearby

## **Sticky Willy**

This sticky weed is also known as goosegrass as it's a favourite snack for hungry geese!



## **Giant Hogweed**

This extremely poisonous weed is also the world's largest weed, growing up to 5m tall



DID YOU KNOW? There are around 8000 different weeds found across the world

## **Foxglove**



## THE FLOWER POWER OF WEEDS

One thing that makes weeds so wonderful is their magical medicinal properties. Let's learn what different illnesses they can help to treat...

DID YOU KNOW? One weed can generate over 10 million seeds



### Chickweed

This common weed is high in Vitamin C - an antioxidant that helps your body to fight various diseases



#### **Nettles**

Nettles can be used as medicine to treat joint and muscle pain



## **Dandelion**

The dandelion is believed to help our liver. The roots are also sometimes ground and used as a substitute for coffee!



## Wild Strawberry

These quick-spreading weeds can be crushed and used to treat the skin for boils, burns or insect bites