Giant pumpkin
My pumpkin slide show

On Friday the 16th of November 2012 I picked up a giant pumpkin plant at school from Miss Smith. I planted the plant on Sunday the 18th of November and watered it. It will take a while to grow and while it's growing I will continue to water it every morning and afternoon each day. I love gardening so this is a great opportunity for me to take responsibility with something. As you can see I have been taking care of it so far. Since I am growing a giant pumpkin, I thought I would research a bit about this vegetable.

1. Pumpkins are usually planted around Summer and grow through to around Autumn. They usually turn a red, yellow or orange colour when ready to harvest!

2. Pumpkins usually like cooler temperatures so I would suggest keeping your pumpkin in a cool area!

3. Pumpkins are native to the western hemisphere!

Did you know?

There are so many recipes that include pumpkin in their ingredients!

There is pumpkin cupcakes, pumpkin pie, pumpkin scroll cake, pumpkin soup, pumpkin donuts, pumpkin stew, pumpkin corn bread, pumpkin cake, pumpkin biscuits and more.
Pumpkin meals and snacks

- Pumpkin soup
- Roast pumpkin
- Pumpkin cupcakes
- Pumpkin donuts
- Pumpkin scroll
- Pumpkin stew
- Pumpkin pie
- Pumpkin biscuits
- Pumpkin cake
- Pumpkin corn bread
The pictures above are of me watering my pumpkin plant in my backyard during the afternoon of day 3 after planting. My pumpkin continued to grow all through the rest of November and December.
By mid January 2013 my pumpkin plant is now pretty big and has quite a lot of yellow flowers on it and quite a few pumpkins starting to grow.
I will have to start trimming it soon because it is growing a lot of pumpkins.
If you have a lot of pumpkins on the vine at the same time it will slow down the growing process and the pumpkins might not taste very good.
Pumpkins are members of the Cucurbitaceae vegetable family along with zucchinis, gourds, squash and cucumbers. Pumpkins have been in cultivation for more than five thousand years.

The pictures below were taken on the 19th of March. I have been having fun watering it everyday.

It has been growing and growing and it’s so big now.
THIS IS ON THE 20TH OF MARCH, 2013
This is my pumpkin on the 24th of March when I harvested it.
After taking a couple of pictures of the pumpkin after it was harvested I weighed it and measured it. My pumpkin weighs 10 kilos which my Mum said equates to two of her bags of potatoes. It’s circumference is 99cm. It is really heavy!
If I can I am going to show my school how big my pumpkin is. Thanks to my mum and dad who have watered it when I have been away from home and have taken pictures of me with the pumpkin and helped me weigh and measure the pumpkin.

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