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## SCIENCE: LEARNING AT HOME

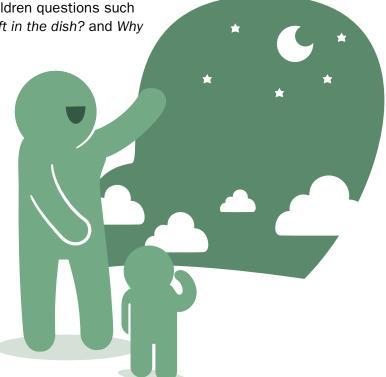
## **SCIENCE IN THE GARDEN**

## Water play

- Get your children to think about where water comes from and where it goes. Test their ideas by getting them to paint or spray water onto a concrete surface and watch the water disappear.
- Talk about how wet washing dries.
- Wash the car. Have your children feel the force of the water from the hose. Make bubbles with soap. Ask questions such as: Where does the water and dirt go?
- Place one end of a hand towel in a dish of water and leave the other end on the ground.
  Check the water level in the dish after five minutes and ask your children questions such as: How much water is left in the dish? and Why is that happening?

## The moon

- Look at the moon every day for a month. Ask your children to draw the shape they see and talk about how the shape changes from night to night. Ask them to describe the shape, for example: crescent, quarter, half and full. Find out how many days it takes between one full moon and the next.
- Use binoculars and ask your children to take turns looking through them and ask them to describe the moon in more detail, for example the craters.



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