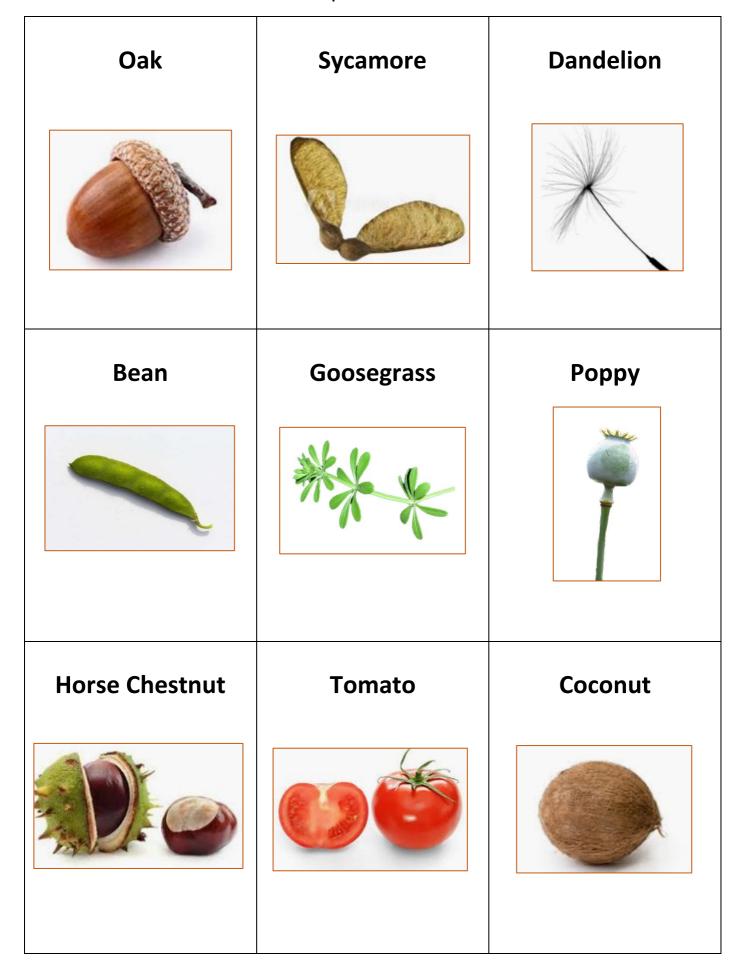
# Seed Dispersal Flashcards



#### Oak

Squirrels collect the acorns and bury them. They forget where they have buried them and they begin to grow.

# **Sycamore**

The seed is too heavy to fly in the wind by itself, so it has a wing to help it spin like a helicopter in the wind.

### **Dandelion**

The seed is small but too heavy to fly on its own, so it has tufts of hair that act like a parachute to help it to fly away from the parent plant.

#### Bean

The bean pod dries out and as it dries, there is tension in the pod, which eventually pops open, catapulting the seeds far away from the parent plant.

# Goosegrass

Goose grass has tiny hooks which help it to attach to animals' fur. The animal walks away from the parent plant and the seeds drop off far away from the parent.

# **Poppy**

Poppy seeds are very tiny and can be blown in the wind. They shake out of the holes in the poppy head as it sways in the wind.

### **Horse Chestnut**

The conker is round so when it drops from the tree, it can roll far away from the tree where the sun and the rain help it to grow.

#### **Tomato**

The tomato is attractive to many animals which eat it (and the seeds). The seeds are not digested so they pass out with the animals' waste, far away from the parent plant. There are lots of tomato plants growing near sewage treatment works...!

#### Coconut

Coconuts that we eat are only the seed. When the coconut falls from the tree it is surrounded by a large, light fruit which helps it to float. The fruit falls from the tree onto the beach and is washed away by the tide to another beach or even another island.