Jobs to do-July

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❏ Water thirsty plants- any newly emerging seedlings, beans, peas etc all need plenty of water and don't forget your indoor veg such as tomatoes to water and feed well.

❏ Keep check on greenfly/aphids. Here's a helpful guide for removing them, _here._

❏ Keep on sowing your vegetable seeds. Seeds such as lettuce, cabbage, sprouting broccoli.

❏ Final sowings !! remember this is the last month of sowing peas. If you're wanting an autumn harvest of fresh and sweet peas do it now.

❏ Final harvesting of broad beans, when you remove them cut them down to ground level and leave their roots in the soil. This is because they still have plenty of nitrogen in the roots.

❏ Remember to sow autumn and winter radishes such as mooli now.

❏ Check your supports. Plants such as runner beans and peas will be getting tall and heavy just now so make sure they are still tied and strong to support the veg.

❏ Keep a close eye on your squash/courgette plants. This is the time when wire worms are at their worst. They burrow into the stems of your plants and you don't know till it's too late. If any of your squashes or courgettes are wilting for no reason or yellow then this could be the cause.
Treatment with diatomaceous earth is the most effective for eradication.

❏ Keep close check on your brassicas. This is a hard time with pests and diseases. white butterflies will lay their eggs and you can quickly have an infestation of caterpillars ruin your kale or cabbages.

❏ Pollinating- hand pollinate flowers on peppers/sweet peppers or chillies indoors to make sure you get fruit. If you have outdoor runner beans they may need a helping hand so pollinate them too.

❏ Harvest first-second early potatoes now

❏ Keep harvesting peas, courgettes etc.

❏ *If you have plum trees now is the time to prune them - this reduces the chance of silver leaf.*

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