

## **Broom**

### **An introduction to my favourite plant Broom**



- **Brooms Latin name is *Cytisus scoparius***
- **Flowers in May, June and July with yellow flowers**
- **Broomielaw was the site of the 1st jetty built on the Clyde in 1662, the area was a grassy meadow with plenty of broom bushes, hence the name**
- **It is the County flower of Glasgow**
- **The branches were used to make brushes/brooms**
- **Its seed pods are green when they 1st grow and turn black as they dry out**
- **During the summer, the seed pods dry out and 'explode' with a cracking sound**
- **Seeds contain toxic chemicals which can affect your heart and nervous system**