



Here is a little update on what has been happening in the garden:

May 20, 2015

Work Days

- **Join the Weed and Water Watch Team!** If you and your family are interested in pairing up with another family for a week over the summer to help with garden upkeep, please visit the Volunteer! page of the PTO website (www.woodviewpto.com) where a SignUp Genius is posted to share the workload.
- Do you have carpentry skills that would be useful in building our shed? If you'd like to join our **Shed Build Team**, please send an email to woodviewpto@gmail.com to receive communications about building dates.
- **Harvest Days** are coming, but chances are they won't be until after school is out for summer. Stay tuned for your chance to take home some veggies and herbs!

Curriculum Links

- **Kindergarten** will plant sunflowers in our new **Sunflower Garden** after Memorial Day. They will also take one home in a cup and journal about it over the summer.
- **First Grade** planted **parsley** in the herb garden to attract the **black swallowtail** butterfly.
- **Second Grade** planted their **kale, spinach, and lettuce** seedlings in the raised beds.
- **Third Grade** will be learning about the **Prairie Ecosystem** and planting in our **new native plants area by the Outdoor Classroom**.
- **Fourth Grade** started planting what they chose for the new native plant area.

Garden Club

- **Woodview Sprouts Garden Club** helped over 80 students during two three-week sessions plant pole beans, spinach, salad turnips, and nasturtiums to form our new teepee canopy. They learned about pollinators, microgreens, garden tools, watering, and weeding. We also saw many worms and toads!
- Watch for **Family Garden Club** dates coming this summer!

Garden Art

During "Recycled Garden Art" on Exploration Day, students created a butterfly and a watermelon slice, two of four Bottlecap Mosaics for the garden which will be installed this summer. The work continued during the Art Show as students and parents glued bottle caps onto a painting of a snail as well as a sunflower. During the Art Show, the butterfly and slice of watermelon were placed outside for families to see during a tour of Woodview Sprouts. We hope you were able to walk around out there with your child and that you'll come back soon!