

October 25th, 2018

Greetings Garden Volunteers,



It was a GREAT week in the Garden. Cabbage, broccoli and spinach seedlings were planted by the Garden Club boys and girls on Tuesday. Several hundred spring bulbs were planted and with Mother Nature's help we should see daffodils, grape hyacinth, allium and tulips emerge in the spring. As I was planting bulbs this week I came across a plant I couldn't identify, naturally, I thought it was a weed, consequently I pulled it. Attached to the fresh green long leaves was a small white bulb, much like the ones I was currently planting. Hmmmm???



After a little analysis I realized that the grape hyacinth not only pleases us with its beautiful blossoms in the spring, but sets its leaves early in the fall for us to enjoy. Upon realizing this, I immediately planted it back where it was.

Garden Club will meet on Tuesday October 30th from 4:00-5:00 for the sweet potato harvest.

The MES Garden sweet potatoes will be served in the school lunch room on November 5th. The Garden Club planted the sweet potatoes on the last club meeting in the spring and now has the opportunity to harvest and share in the bounty in the cafeteria with their classmates. To be an active participant in the full growth cycle of this plant has been a pretty awesome educational experience!



Volunteer opportunities for November will be on Wednesday November 7th and the 28th from 4:00-5:00pm.

Activities coming up in the Garden are care of the winter crops, mulching outer beds, adding new soil to raised beds and repainting the benches. If you are interested in assisting with any of these projects, please let me know. Our Garden has amazing volunteers! Thank you!!!

Check out our MES Garden Web page at <http://www.matoaka-pta.org/matoaka-garden/>.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with questions you may have about the MES Garden. I can be contacted at angelahennessey24@yahoo.com or 574-210-1779.

See you in the Garden!

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