

Head Teacher
Miss Churchman

16 September 2022

Dear Parents,

I am very pleased to tell you, alongside managing our schools Eco Council, I will be running a gardening club on a Friday afternoon. This will be part of our school afternoon not an after-school activity.

Over the coming weeks you will see our garden area (adjacent to the playground) taking shape ready for planting in the Spring. We hope to have a grand opening for our new MPA Community Garden.

Thanks to previous fundraising of the PTA we will be able to purchase initial items such as a greenhouse, base materials, compost etc. D.J. Spall (Recycling) Ltd are kindly donating tyres and wooden frames to make our raised vegetable beds and flower planters. I would like to ask that if anyone has any tools that they could donate to our club for example hand forks/ trowels, rakes, hoes etc. We would be incredibly grateful for any donations.

Going forward both as an Eco Council and being cost effective for our club we shall be collecting everyday items to use for growing. I have attached a photograph of the kinds of items we would like parents to donate. Also, clean ready meal trays make great seed trays! Using these items sets a great example to the children on how everyday items can be reused in the home and school - not always just popped into the recycling bin!

Gardening club will be open to all children and run on a rota basis. We hope to have the fruits of our labours on a small stall in the playground next year.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions about the garden plans, please speak to me.

Warm wishes

Mrs Garrod

