

Hancock Elementary School

"Rooted in Community, Reaching for the Stars"

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Garden with Cornucopia started this week and what a beautiful week it was to be outside in the gardens! Cornucopia teachers Kathleen Bigford and Jen Trapani were excited to join the HES gardeners again. The question of the weeks was, "What does it take to have a healthy garden?"

First graders had a sensory tour of the garden with cards placed among the plants suggesting a simple sensory activity to do. They also planted pea shoots for snacking in a couple of weeks.

Second graders explored the garden searching for evidence of how the garden was cared for. They found many healthy plants, and a few bugs and spiders.

Third and fourth graders explored the garden choosing adjectives to describe the plants, garden beds and overall garden area. Here is the resulting poem composed of their words.

Wonders of the Garden
By Mrs. Robins 3/4 Class

Spikey, round, silky, smooth
Yellow, green, not good, taller
Healthy, fluffy, small, greeny
Poufy, purple, wet, stiff



Everyone enjoyed sampling lemon cucumbers, lemon sorrel, chives, borage, and calendula flowers.

Just a reminder that **Open House** is **Thursday, September 21st from 6 PM – 7PM.**

All HES student will be attending a **play, *My Father's Dragon*, at the Capitol Theater on October 4th.** Please complete and return the permission slip by 9/21/17.

Special this week will be Physical Education.

Finally, please join us for our first **PTO meeting** on **Thursday, September 28th at 6 PM** in the HES Library. We will have childcare available.

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