

Garden

August 2025

In the Garden

Our bean plants will be giving us tasty treats from the toddler & chicken yard gardens this month, as well as sungold and roma tomatoes that have been ripening up nicely. Blackberries & raspberries have also been fun to pick & eat as they ripen, and we'll continue to enjoy the bountiful New Zealand spinach harvest from the two's garden. The summer flowers have been fun to observe with our eyes & noses & fingers. We will also start preparing beds and planting seeds for fall/winter crops.

August 4-8 & 11-15 — Garden projects & tea party

The week of August 4-8 the older classes will be working on projects in the garden. We'll plant seeds for fall/winter crops (brassicas, lettuce, mustard, spinach & parsley). We will also harvest leaves (strawberry, raspberry, blackberry, lemon balm), as well as spearmint & peppermint leaves & flowers, all of which we'll dry for tea. There will be New Zealand spinach to eat while we work, as well as borage & nasturtium flowers to pick & sample. The twos & younger classes will also have the "spinach" to sample, and will have circle time with the guitar, didgeridoo & percussion instruments.

During the week of August 11-15, based on popular demand, each class will have a tea party. We'll enjoy our own garden tea blend, as well as greens from the gardens and berries. We will also have some music time with the banjo guitar & percussion instruments.

Hiatus

Richard will be out for a few weeks after his baby is born sometime this month, so garden class will be temporarily paused during his absence, to resume in the later weeks of September. The children will still have access to the gardens and nice summer produce to enjoy on occasion during their times playing outdoors. Many thanks to Laurel & the admin staff for helping keep the gardens going while Richard is out!

