

Pasadena Students Return to the Garden

Elementary Schoolers Gather their Summer Crops, Donate to the Community

PLAINVIEW, NEW YORK (August 2023)—The students at Pasadena Elementary School are continuing their long-running, collaborative summer gardening tradition this year.

Each week, Pasadena third graders return to the school garden to harvest vegetables that were planted in the spring by the school's departing fourth grade garden club members. This educational activity gives the older students the opportunity to learn about a variety of vegetable seeds and how to nurture them in their early stages of germination. Then, their younger peers have the chance to see the results and learn about the variety of vegetables planted that year.

This year, the student-led effort sprouted an amazing harvest of tomatoes, including the cherry, beefsteak, and plum variety, as well as a variety of squash, lettuce, peppers, eggplants, and beans. Finally, the collected vegetables are put out on a vegetable stand open to all in the community.

For more information about the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District, please visit the District's website at www.pobschools.org. Exciting activities happening throughout the District and programs celebrating student achievement can also be found on the District's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pobschools/>.



Pasadena Elementary School Students harvested vegetables at the school garden as part of a long-running summer tradition at the school.



The vegetables are placed in a farmstand at the school, which community members can take advantage of.