

March 24, 2010

WHAT'S GROWIN' ON...

St. Michael's Episcopal Day School



Wheelbarrow Work

Their theme is "The American River Ecosystem." 4th Graders will use seeds native to that area as they decorate this wheelbarrow.

3rd and 4th graders are creating wheelbarrow garden exhibits for the Sacramento County Fair scheduled on Memorial Day weekend.

KEEPING UP WITH...

The Garden

Garden Work Day



Sunday, March 28, 12:30pm

Spring is here, and it's time to have some garden fun! Bring the whole family, friends and even neighbors and come out to the school garden! There's nothing better than spending an afternoon outdoors, gardening with your children. Be prepared to get a little dirty - so dress appropriately!

St. Michael's Grandparents

They are also known as our "garden angels," and we are so blessed to have them in the St. Michael's community. Our grandparents recently worked in the garden and planted a medley of flowers. This spring, after each of their grandparents' meetings, they'll be working in the garden. Seeing the students' grandparents working on campus is a bright light for all of us to enjoy. Thank you garden angels -- for your love, support and amazing efforts.

Garden Goodies

Our students have been busy harvesting our garden goodies. Bunches of lettuce, cauliflower, spinach and kale were put to good use by our school cafeteria, and also by some of the St. Michael's families whose children took some home. Our 3rd graders continue to grow produce for the Mustard Seed School in Sacramento.



MAYAN CIVILIZATION IN THE GARDEN



Mrs. Jensen's 7th grade history class. See more on page 2

St. Michael's Recycles New Drop-off Location

The new drop-off location for recyclables will make it easier for everyone to participate in the 3rd and 4th graders classroom project. Drop-off will now be at the circle, just next to the school's front gate. You can drop off your recyclables on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please be sure to carefully read the label on your drop-offs, to confirm they can be redeemed by our students. This is very important as it is difficult for students and parents to sift through and get rid of non-redeemable items.

Which symbols to look for:

**CA CASH REFUND
CA CRV
California Redemption Value
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California Cash Refund**

What you get:

5¢- for most glass, plastic bottles and aluminum cans less than 24 ounces

10¢ -for larger than 24 ounces

(Most beverages other than milk, wine and distilled spirits are subject to CRV).

Collection Total for this

School Year:

\$290

The amount is lower than this time last year, however, we are hoping that is due to an increased use of reusable water bottles. Here at St. Michael's we encourage the use of reusable water bottles, along with recycling!

Please help our school celebrate Earth Day every day, and **DROP OFF YOUR RECYCLABLES!**



Mrs. Jensen's 7th graders took their Mayan Civilization history lesson to the school garden. Students planted beans, potatoes and colorful marigolds. They even posted signs in the garden, citing facts about the Mayan culture.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK...

All smiles in the Garden...

7th graders Julianna Wells, Ben Graffis and Camille Boudreaux getting their hands dirty in the garden, but they don't seem to mind at all. Here they are smiling for the camera, as they work together, using brick as the groundwork for a replica of a Mayan Temple.

