



# Garden News

Edgartown School - winter 2023

## Offering:

6 varieties of  
flowers

Basil  
Cilantro  
Parsley  
Mustard  
greens

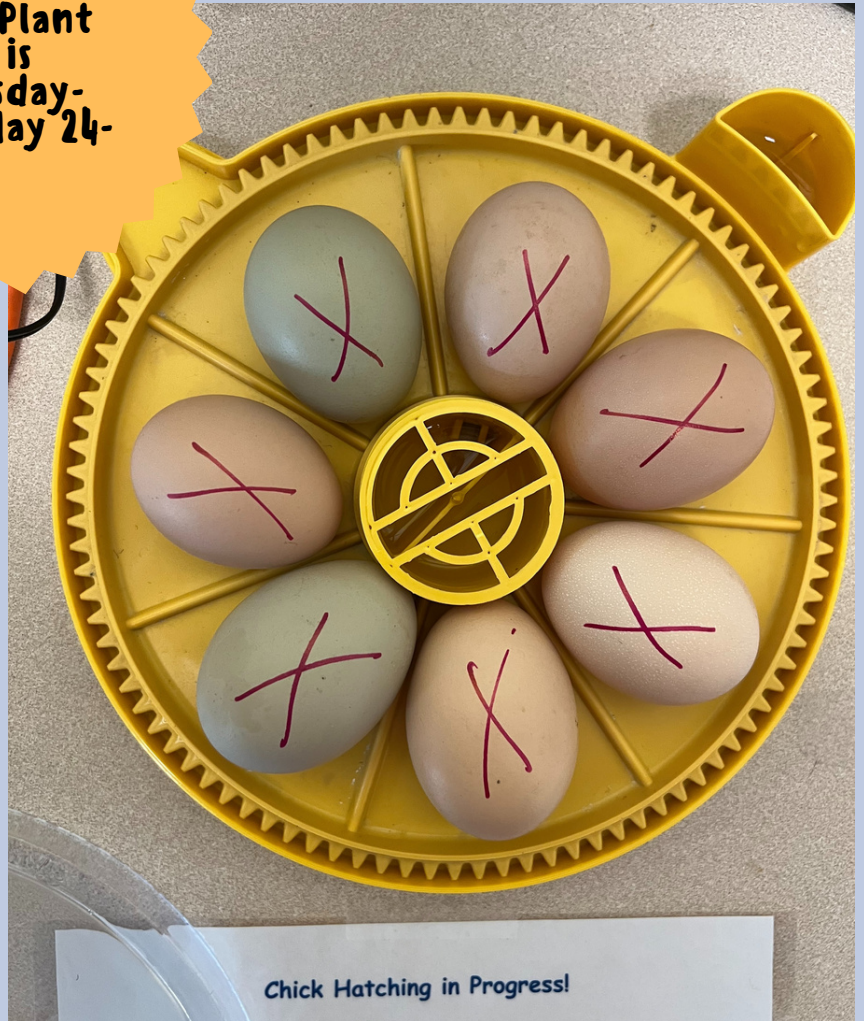
2 varieties of  
kale

3 varieties of:  
cherry tomato  
slicing tomato  
hot pepper  
sweet pepper  
eggplant

Save the Date!

Annual Plant  
Sale is  
Wednesday-  
Friday, May 24-  
26

## Kindergarten



Kindergarten explored seeds and started to hatch chicks, which are due around April 3rd! They learned how an incubator acts as the mother hen, and about chick development inside the egg.



# 1st Grade

1st Grade learned all about wool and fiber. They participated in steps of the sheep to sweater process with wool from local Island farms. They visited Slough farm for a fiber craft and to meet the baby lambs, bringing the cycle full circle.



# 2nd Grade

2nd graders began planning for the annual plant sale in the spring and chose crops to grow in a "rainbow bed." In a dairy unit, they learned about a cow's anatomy by dressing up. Later this month, they will make butter in the classroom and visit Grey Barn.





# 3rd Grade

3rd graders wrapped up an herb unit and then learned about the process of making maple syrup. We tapped maple trees at Old Westside Cemetery and virtually visited a sugar bush and sugar shack through Parker Dam State Park in Pennsylvania.



# 4th Grade

4th graders learned all about food waste. They compared what happens to food when it is discarded in compost vs. a landfill. They learned about how long everyday objects take to decompose, and how we can use our food waste as a tool to help rebuild depleted soil. They started a hydroponics and aquaponics unit to continue learning about reducing waste.





# Middle School

7th graders learned about the Oaxacan celebration Noche de los Rábanos, and carved radishes just like participants in the event. They also investigated plant reproduction in the garden with strawberry runners, onion and garlic sets, and by propagating succulents. Bridge students focused on worms and made a worm bin to help add nutrients to our soil.



## For Staff, Students, and Families

As you walk through the garden, look for signs of spring! Earlier in March, peas, carrots, radishes, and beets were planted. Hope to see you at the plant sale in May!