# JACKSON-VIA CITY SCHOOLYARD GARDEN FALL PLANTING TIME!



HERE COMES THE RAPINI KALE



BROCCOLI SESSANTINA GROWS FAST
LEARNING OUTSIDE THE BRICKS



HAVE YOU EVER EATEN A TOKYO CROSS HYBRID TURNIP?

# THE CITY SCHOOLYARD GARDEN IS INVITING YOU TO:

## COME HELP OUR GARDEN GROW

- SIGN UP TO VISIT
- SIGN UP TO ASSIST CHILDREN
- SIGN UP TO WATER OUR PLANTS
- SIGN UP TO MAKE ART

TIMES YOUR HELP IS NEEDED: WEDNESDAYS- 2PM-3PM THURSDAYS-2:45-3:30 FRIDAYS-12PM-1:30 PM

For more about us:

cityschoolyardgarden.org



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# Our history goes back...

### Fall 2009:

• The creation of a Jackson-Via Landscape Masterplan was initiated by students wishes to design outdoor classrooms on the grounds for their schoolyard. Many local professionals, former families, school personnel, and community members have since begun the process of converting an underused 20+ acre landscape into healthy, beautiful, and educational environments where children can learn, play, and contribute.

### Fall 2010:

 An edible hedge was planted and mulched at the front of our school around the sign.

### Fall 2011:

- A butterfly meadow garden and child-sized orchard is installed with the help of the Piedmont Landscape Association, the City of Charlottesville Parks and Recreation Department, teachers, students, and community members. The meadow garden consists almost entirely of native plants and serves as a teaching tool as well as a space for children to freely explore. A third grade classroom adopts the maintenance of the meadow garden after installation.
- A relationship develops between several city elementary schoolyard gardens and a group of UVA students. UVA students introduce interested teachers to using vegetable gardens as a teaching tool, incorporating curriculum resources to reach SOL objectives. UVA students assist in summer maintenance of the gardens. Buford Middle School is the model.
- Grant awarded through the Whole Kids Foundation, **Whole Foods** in the amount of \$2000.00.

### Winter 2011/2012:

- Art classes create plant drawings and information sheets for the meadow garden plan and plants.
- A photographic history of the site with a former residence begins.
- Volunteers build raised vegetable beds adjacent to the orchard and meadow garden.

**Spring 2012:** Third Grade science students collaborate with UVA "Inch By Inch" volunteers teach planting, our first crops is in the ground.

### Fall 2012:

Plant list for the fall crop. D'avignon radish, heirloom radish, wild garden lettuce, arugula, simpson lettuce, buttercrunch lettuce, purple top turnip, red Russian kale, sessantina broccoli, & Tokyo cross hybrid turnip.

WHAT ARE
YOUR IDEAS?
A small effort
will help us
grow.

### YOU BECOME INVOLVED IN YOUR OWN WAY!

- Mosaic stepping stones
- Wind chimes
- Fence
- Rain collection
- Plant identification stakes
- Weeding
- Pruning
- Leaf printing
- Photographing activities
- Materials preparation
- And the list goes on...

Please come and be part of the Jackson-Via Garden!

Eileen Butler, The Art Lady

