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NATION COMMUNITY
GARDEN
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The First Visit

- ▣ Our Community Garden came alive once again in May 2013
- ▣ Having snow on the ground the planning began.
- ▣ With curiosity and enthusiasm, community members began planning their own plots so we knew what to buy.
- ▣ The children from the community came to check out the greenhouse and learn how to plant flowers and vegetables.
- ▣ Leaving wet, dirty and smiling with their beans and flowers. Not before planting flower mountain.

Planting the Pumpkin Patch





Happy Gardener



The expectation of beautiful pumpkins in the Fall



With pride and amazement, we had beautiful neon and mini pumpkins to create into whatever the imagination brought.



Other community members grew beans, beets, celery, cauliflower, broccoli, tomatoes and so much more.





All was not without trial and tribulations. There was one vegetable that everyone wanted and there wasn't one grown, but not without trying, nets and dusting and diligent servalence.

“CARROTS”

This was due to our arch
nemesis the
“GRASSHOPPER”



Bug Hunt

Despite our frustration, we welcomed the grasshopper into our other activities. Teaching the children about good bugs and bad bugs for our garden with an adventurous bug hunt and identification. The grasshopper was also included into our list for accumulation of information for our plan to be certified with the Canadian Wildlife Federation along with flowers.

Habitat

We had other friends in our garden that we built a habitat for and decorated bird houses for, welcoming all nature with delight and respect.

Investigating



Bird Houses



Homemade Bird feeders



Creating Habitat



Critters



Habitat

Greenhouse

There is also a fifty foot greenhouse with our garden. In the greenhouse grew, castor beans, cucumbers, tomatoes, butternut squash, spaghetti squash, nasturtiums and herbs and so much more.

Imagine the possibilities



Yellow beans and Cucumber



Pest Control and Harvest

For pest control we used natural homemade solutions for early blight and herbs and flowers for prevention.

Harvest time produced and abundance of potatoes for the community, onions and more individual crops.

Potatoes





Fall Clean up

With the frost setting in, the clean up begins with tucking in the asparagus and herbs for a long winters nap and a rushing flow of ideas for next year.