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Pre-K and K to join hands!

We are working out a garden venture that will involve the Kindergarten students green-thumbing alongside the Pre-K students—so far the talk is about handing over the



Among the wintertime color we'll add to the garden include such plants as geraniums (shown above), along with sweet pea and snapdragon—we know the kids will love these plants!

project of wintertime coloration plants—those that we'll grow outside the garden boxes. It will be somewhat of a landscaping chore to prepare for this, but really not a heavy load, as extra top soil will be needed to soften up that south Texas drought-hardened earth that reared its ugly head over the summer. We've made some progress in improving the soil in many spots in the West End garden with some mix of top soil and compost, and we tossed around lots of handfuls of winter rye last week and already the grass is showing itself.

While we work out the joint venture between the Pre-K and K students, we are already preparing for additions to the garden boxes. We have pumpkin seeds germinating in the Pre-K classes—they are contained inside plastic bags that are taped to the western windows, drinking up the late fall sunshine. Helena and Riana will be gathering various vegetable seeds this week in preparation for next week's garden day for Pre-K, which will be Thursday, December 8.



Might you join us for a little grounds preparation? It's easy work, and doesn't take much time—our next volunteer work day will be Monday, December 5, at 9am. Bring a pair of garden gloves and, if you can make a stop at a local garden store or perhaps Lowe's over the weekend, can you pick up a couple of bags of top soil? These are only two or three bucks a bag. We'll bring the wheel barrow out to your car to pick it up on Monday morning, so park along the preschool playground fence to make things easier for us.

Thanks so much for helping out in any way you can!