











WATERING YOUR GARDEN

Watering calendars for your Learning Garden

APRIL: Sample watering Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		01 Planting Day Students planted, watered, mulched	02  Tim 2nd Grade 7 am still wet, 2 pm watered	03 Darin 2nd Grade 10 am watered	04 Garden Team Still wet. No water.	05 PARENT 10 am watered
06 PARENT 10 am watered	07  Joan 2nd Grade 9 am watered	08 Celeste 2nd Grade 10 am watered	09 Tim 2nd Grade 10 am watered <i>Radishes sprouted!</i>	10  Darin 2nd Grade No water needed	11 Garden Team 10 am watered	12 PARENT 10 am watered <i>Lettuce sprouted!</i>
13 PARENT 8 am watered	14 Joan 2nd Grade 9 am watered <i>Spinach sprouted!</i>	15  Celeste 2nd Grade 10 am & 3pm watered	16  Tim 2nd Grade Rained all day, no watering	17 Darin 2nd Grade Rained all day, no watering	18 Garden Team Still wet. No water.	19 PARENT 12 pm watered
20 PARENT 4 pm watered	21  Joan 2nd Grade 8 am still wet	22 Celeste 2nd Grade 10 am watered	23 Tim 2nd Grade 10 am and 3:30 pm watered	24 Darin 2nd Grade Forgot to water!	25 Garden Team Watered at 8am. Soil very dry!	26  PARENT Did not water. Drizzled all day.
27 PARENT 11 am watered	28 Joan 2nd Grade 8 am watered well	29 Celeste 2nd Grade 7 am watered <i>Radishes almost ready!</i>	30  Tim 2nd Grade 9 am and 4 pm watered			

NOTES:

- Watering is shared by 2nd grade classes, the Garden Team, and parents.
- Watering must not be skipped before seeds have sprouted.
- Hot days may need afternoon water.
- Rain or cold temperatures reduce water needs in the garden.






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JULY: Sample Watering Calendar

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

		01 Tim 8 am watered. Deep soak	02 Tim Not fully dry. Watered some.	03 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak.	04 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak. <i>Plants droopy</i>	05 Tim 8 am watered. Deep soak. <i>Plants droopy</i>
06 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak.	07 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak.	08 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak.	09 Tim 8 am watered. Deep soak.	10 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak. Cloudy day	11 Tim Still wet. No water needed.	12 Tim 9 am watered. Deep soak.
13 Joan Did not water 	14 Joan Did not water 	15 Joan 9 am watered. Deep soak. <i>Plants droopy</i>	16 Joan 8 pm watered. Deep soak.	17 Joan Watered late previous day. Did not check garden.	18 Joan Still wet. No water.	19 Joan Planting Day! Garden Team planted and weeded.
20 Joan 8 am deep soak & 6 pm watering.	21 Joan 9 am deep soak & 7 pm watering.	22 Joan 2 pm watered. Deep soak.	23 Joan 10 am and 7 pm watered	24 Joan 9 am watered	25 Joan 8 am watered	26 Joan Did not water. Rained all day. 
27 Celeste 10 am light watering	28 Celeste 8 am deep soak	29 Celeste 12 pm watered. Deep Soak.	30 Celeste 10 am deep soak	31 Celeste 8 am deep soak <i>Carrots and beets sprouted!</i>		

NOTES:

Bi-weekly summer watering rotation.

The hottest days required in-bed irrigation as well as top watering.

Mulch and rain reduced water needs.

Twice a day watering was necessary after planting in July for fall harvest.