# Heirloom Vegetable and Flower Sale

Palma Nature and Ecology Club

#### **Information**

Students from the 6th grade and Nature and Ecology Club planted and cared for the vegetable, flower, and succulent varieties found on the following slides.

All plants are grown in 3" or #1 nursery containers and may contain one to several seedings. All plants are priced below wholesale.

Quantities are limited and vary for each selection, so priority will be given to the orders that come in first. You might not receive your full order if supplies run out.

Descriptions listed are from Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds website (rareseeds.com).



#### **Information**

All plants were grown organically in premium potting soil blend and watered with rainwater harvested from the Life Lab area.

All succulents were propagated by students from existing succulent stock.

This year, students helped to complete and plant out the life lab. We had a wonderful show of wildflowers last year and things are looking great this year as well. The Life Lab is boasts a rainwater collection system that can store 4000 gallons of water to be used in the dry months.

Students have been busy this year.



#### **Ordering and Pickup**

Please use the Google Form below to place your orders.

#### **Vegetable, Flower, and Succulent Sale**

All orders can be picked up after school starting May 8th. You will receive a confirmation email about your order and pickup details from Mr. Silva prior to coming to campus to receive your plants. Cash or check payments can be made to the Nature and Ecology Club.

Looking for an extra special Mother's Day gift. Check out the custom turned vases at the end of the slide deck.



## **Mystery Tomatoes**

That's right! This year we were fortunate enough to have a large amount of volunteer tomatoes grow in the garden that we were able to transplant. Unfortunately, there is no way of knowing what varieties they are. Any tomato you purchase may be one of the following varieties on the next five slides. \*\*All tomatoes are 2 for \$5.

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### **Brandywine Tomato**

The most popular heirloom vegetable! A favorite of many gardeners, large fruit with superb flavor. A great potato-leafed variety from 1885! Beautiful pink fruit up to 1½ lbs each!



#### **Pink Tiger Tomato**

Shockingly sweet snacking tomatoes are as flavorful as they are pretty! Easy-to-grow and high yielding plants really crank out these little jewels! Elongated, 2" fruit striped in ruby-pink and gold. Reasonable earliness and excellent flavor! Developed by Fred Hempel.



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#### Berkeley Tie Dye Green Tomato

Incredibly colorful and delicious large-fruited slicing variety! Fruit runs 8 to 16 ounces. Exterior color is green with stripes in red and yellow. But the flesh is truly tri-color! Creamy green flesh infused with various shades of red and yellow. Each of these colors has a different flavor resulting in a spicy, sweet, tart tomato with good acid all in one fruit. Discovered in a planting of Beauty King. Fair to good production. A truly incredible new open-pollinated variety, and a new favorite of many chefs.



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#### Wood's Famous Brimmer Tomato

If you are the tomato grower with a fetish for big red fruit, then here is the tomato of your vegetable fantasies. Developed in the 1920s by W. T. Woods & Sons of Richmond, Virginia, this tomato produces large 3 to 4-inch red fruit of perfect round shape. We are not certain whether this variety was developed as a canning tomato or as a dinner slicer because it makes the perfect BLT sandwich. That said, this tomato variety was created and bred in the Mid-Atlantic region, so it will thrive in our humid Midwestern summers and yield wildly off-the-books quantities of picture perfect monster red tomatoes. This is an heirloom that needs to be brought back into mainstream creative regional cuisine. Plan on profitable harvests and juicy BLTs all summer.



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#### Jersey Devil Tomato

A unique, pepper-shaped fruit in vivid crimson color from New Jersey, this variety is essential for bright red, robust sauce and equally suited for fresh eating. Tomatoes average 6 inches in length and are very meaty with few seeds. A later maturing variety, but so worth the wait, as the flavor is incredible and the yields are high. It was a pillar of the once legendary New Jersey tomato growing industry and is an ancestor to "Jersey Giant." Don't try to make an authentic New Jersey style pizza without this sauce!



## Vegetables

#### **Fennel**

Luscious and pleasantly flavored.

Developed in the 17th century and used in Italian cooking. Very tasty and easy to grow.



### **Green Globe Artichoke**

Tasty! Needs a fairly long, mild growing season, or can be grown as an annual. This colorful plant makes a great ornamental.



#### Sweet California Bell Pepper

One of the oldest and largest heirloom bell pepper available. First introduced by California growers around 1928. Tall, sturdy plants produce good yields of blocky, thick-walled fruits. A delicious green pepper that ripens to a vibrant red.



#### **Redleaf Lettuce**

Leaf lettuce with wavy to frilly leaf margins and very crisp, waxy leaves! Excellent bolt resistance, and good cold tolerance for a late fall to winter crop. Recommended as a cutting type for baby greens production or cut-and-come-again harvesting. A rich source of potassium and vitamin A.



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#### Forellenschluss Lettuce

Old Austrian heirloom; the name means "speckled like a trout." A superb, gorgeous romaine lettuce that is highly splashed in deep red. Very beautiful and tasty.



#### Hopi Blue Corn

Truly breathtaking blue corn that is said to originate from the Hopi people of the Southwest. This variety yields lovely ears with colors ranging from slate blue to brilliant turquoise with some surprise purples. Used locally in atole and ground for cornmeal, kernels are both flour and dent types, both often bearing on the same ear. Ears typically run 6 to 12 inches long, and are produced usually one per 4-to 5-foot stalk.



## Flowers

#### Hopi Black Dye Sunflower

A brilliant obsidian-black seeded sunflower is used for making natural dye. This traditional variety has been saved and used by the Hopi Native American people for dying cotton, wool, and other fibers in making iconic Hopi basketry. These medium-to-large sunflower heads are striking in the garden, and the simple dye-making process yields stellar shades from dove grey to deep purple, depending on the technique and materials used. A multipurpose variety, the food and fodder merits of this beautiful variety should not be overlooked. Reaches about 8' tall.



#### Mammoth Grey Stripe Sunflower

The standard giant variety that produces delicious seeds. The 10 foot plants produce heads that average 12 inches across. A stately garden plant. You will be the talk of the town with these monster in your front garden area or the baseball teams favorite parent if you homeroast and share these with the players.



#### Mimulus MaiTai Red

Evergreen perennial to 2-3 ft. Garden hybrid with large red flowers. Very pretty! Blooms nearly year-round.
Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies. Good in containers. Full sun along the coast to bright shade inland. More prolific blooms with some direct sun. Low water. Prefers fast draining soils. Hardy to 20° F.

\*\*These are grown in #5 nursery containers and sell for \$7\*\*



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### Chrysanthemum 'Carousel Pink'

Gorgeous late Fall in full bloom. Masses of pink daisy like flowers atop green leaves creates a magnificent last hurrah in any garden. This variety is both vigorous and hardy and will handle partial to full shade.

\*\*These are grown in #5 nursery containers and sell for \$7\*\*



### Chrysanthemum 'Blazing Orange'

Chrysanthemum 'Blazing Orange" is a hardy garden mum featuring profuse sprays of rich orange daisy-like flowers, adorned with a bright golden center. Blossoming from late summer to late fall, these multibranched perennials are covered in bright flowers that stand out against the chartreuse foliage. This perennial forms a dense bushy mound, easy to grow, and can handle full or partial shade.

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## Succulents

#### **Aeonium Rubrum**

Aeonium urbicum 'Rubrum': Green rosette that flushes red, particularly when grown in bright sunlight. It can grow up to 2.0' tall outdoors in Mediterranean climates.



### Blue Chalksticks (Senecio Serpens)

Hugging the ground, Senecio serpens (Blue Chalksticks) is a semi-trailing succulent of great ornamental appeal. The powdery glaucous blue, fleshy finger-like leaves are borne on prostrate stems. It quickly forms a dense blue mat of upward curving leaves. This low growing succulent provides extraordinary form and color contrast to the landscape, does well in containers, and makes a great small scale ground cover. Easy to propagate once established.



#### **Hen and Chicks**

Hens and chicks are members of the Sempervivum group of succulent plants. They are commonly called houseleeks and grow well indoors and out, in cool or hot temperatures. Hens and chicks plants are so called because of the rosette shape and habit of the plant to produce numerous babies. A rockery or dry, nutrient challenged location is a good place for growing hens and chicks.



## Vases

#### **Information**

All vases were made from locally salvaged wood timbers hand turned by Mr. Silva. Each is unique and can naturally crack as it dries.

Vases are on display and can be purchased from the front office any day of the week before 3:00pm.



Wood Species: Locust

Height: 14.5 in.

Finish: Mineral Oil



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#### Vase #2

Wood Species: Magnolia

Height: 5 in.

Finish: Mineral Oil



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### Vase #3

Wood Species Olive:

Height: 5.5 in.

Finish: Mineral Oil



Wood Species: Locust

Height: 13 in.

Finish: Mineral Oil



Wood Species: Magnolia

Height: 14 in.

Finish: Mineral Oil



Wood Species: Magnolia

Height: 8in.

Finish: Mineral Oil

