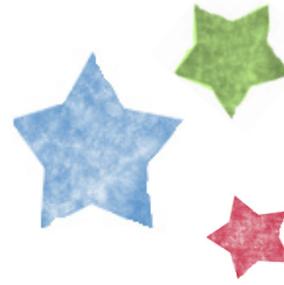




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**What's
Today's
News?**

Martin Mustang Stars!...

The Martin School Garden Club has been in existence since 2010. It is run after school by fourth grade teacher, Ms. Tamsin and volunteers. Participants meet after school once a week during spring and early fall to learn, grow, and share their knowledge about sustainable organic gardening. The garden club is composed of fourth and fifth grade students who are most rewardingly learning what it means to give back to the Manchester community. Produce is harvested over the summer and early fall and donated to the local food pantry, Manchester Area Conference of Churches (MACC). In the fall, students prepare dishes with home grown ingredients and enjoy a tasting party. Many hands have gone into making this garden a success. It was started with materials purchased from a grant provided by The Foundation for Manchester Public Schools. A small core of volunteers worked to construct nine raised beds, spread mulch and bury posts for net fencing. This past year, local community members donated permanent fencing. The Martin students have been richly rewarded by the efforts of many and have found “growth” at so many levels. They are truly Martin Mustang Stars!

