

GARDEN NEWS

THE CHILMARK SCHOOL- WINTER 2023/2024



AT IGI'S FARM

KINDERGARTEN/FIRST GRADE

This winter Chilmark K/1 students have been learning about dairy and farms in the winter! We took a virtual field trip to IGI to see what's going on at the farm in the winter. During our dairy unit we made cheese and butter! We also built winter fairy houses and did some digging for worms.



QUALITY TIME WITH
WORMS AND SOIL

WE FOUND A
PURPLE POTATO!



MAKING & TASTING CHEESE



DESIGNING OUR FAIRY GARDEN & PLAYING A SPRING ON THE FARM GAME



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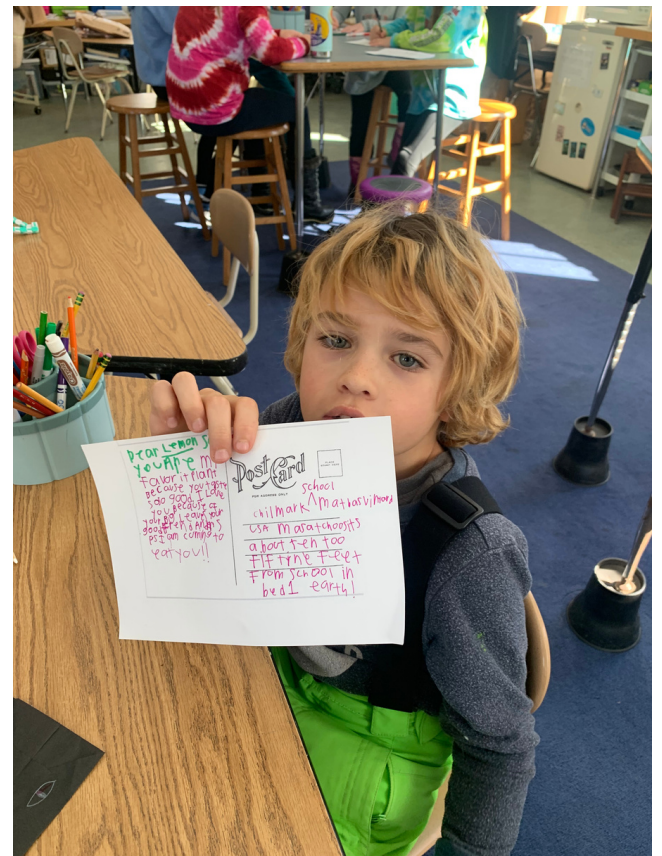
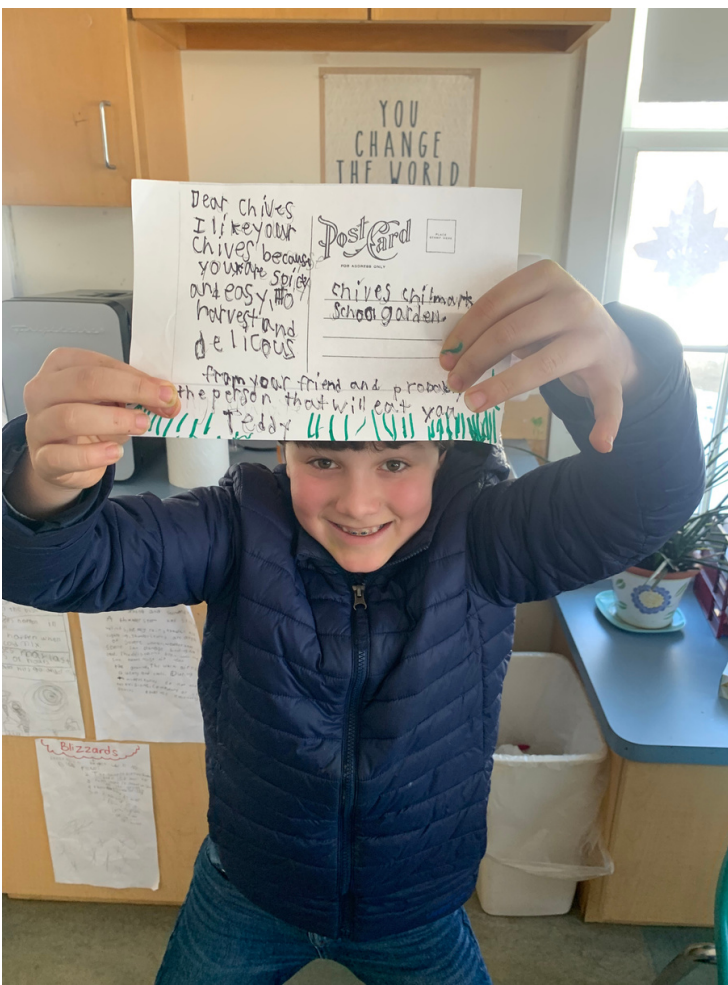
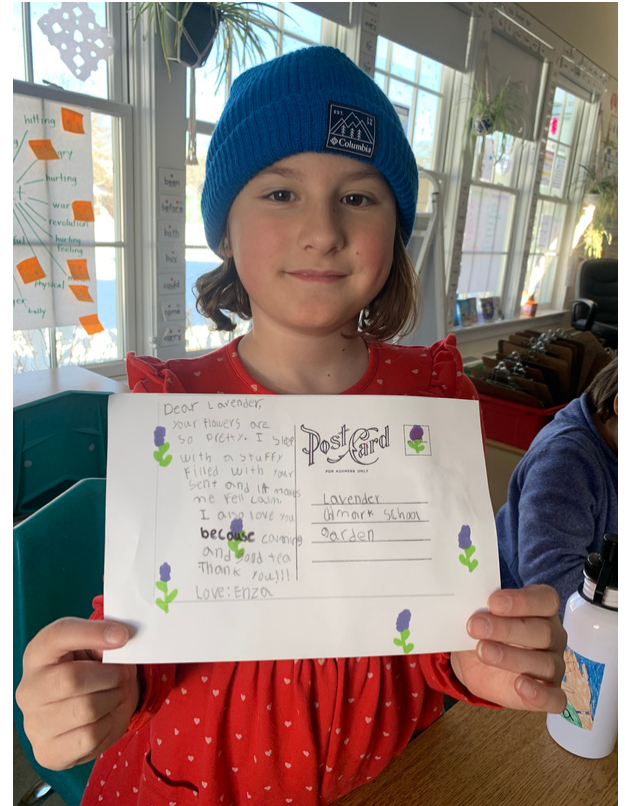
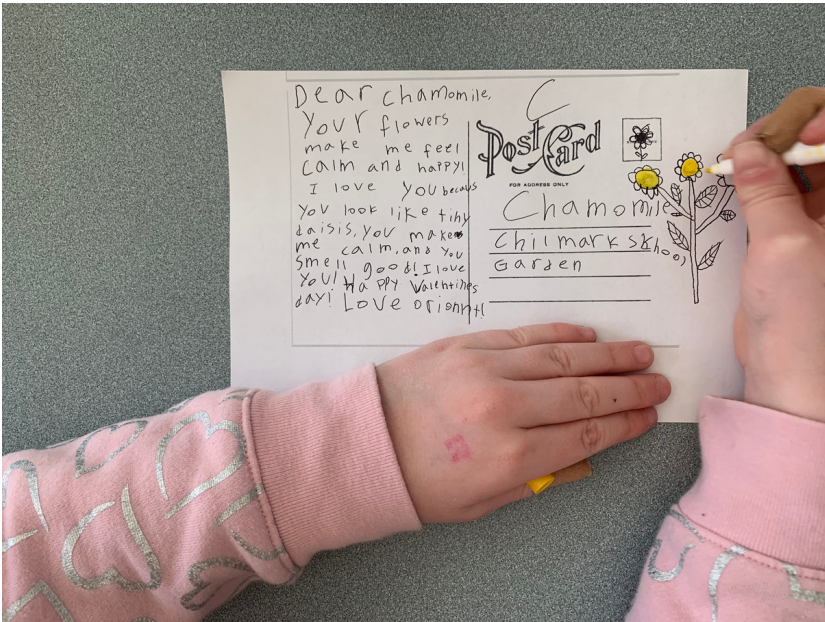
2/3 students learned about food in the 1620's and studied herbs this winter.

We became experts about foods cooked during this time period by Pilgrims and Native American's. We explored where the foods/seeds came from and how they were historically prepared. Over a few weeks students prepared for a cooking challenge at the Farm Institute where they competed in cooking teams to prepare a 1620's dish. The teams presented the dish to the judges and were asked about the history of the dish. We enjoyed delicious cornbread, johnny cakes and sunflower seed cakes!



**THE JOHNNY
CAKES GROUP
PRESENTING THEIR
DISH TO THE
JUDGES**

During our herb unit we learned about how sometimes different herbs can help us feel better in different ways. Some of the units highlights were making a healing calendula salve and writing valentines to our favorite herbs.



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This winter 4/5 created recipes of themselves, took another Beetlebung field trip and planted a snow garden!

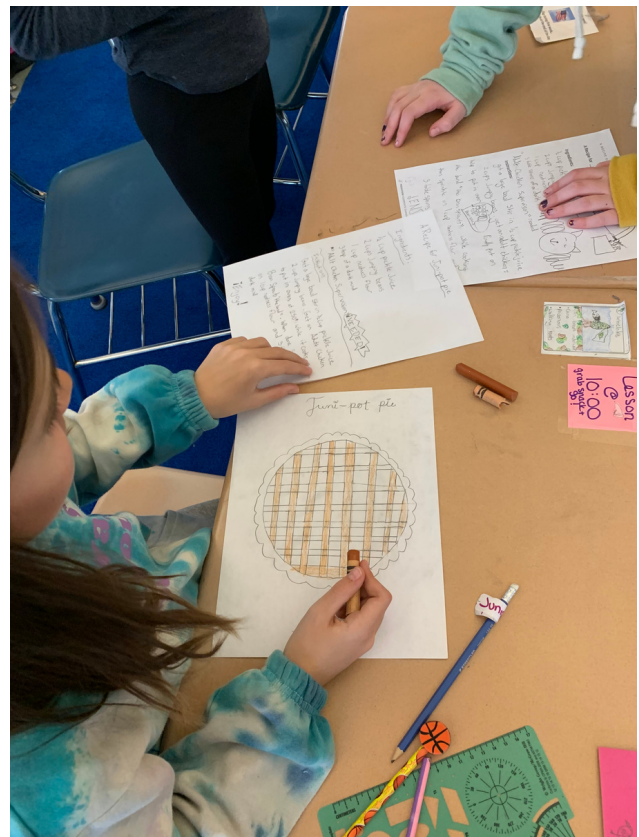
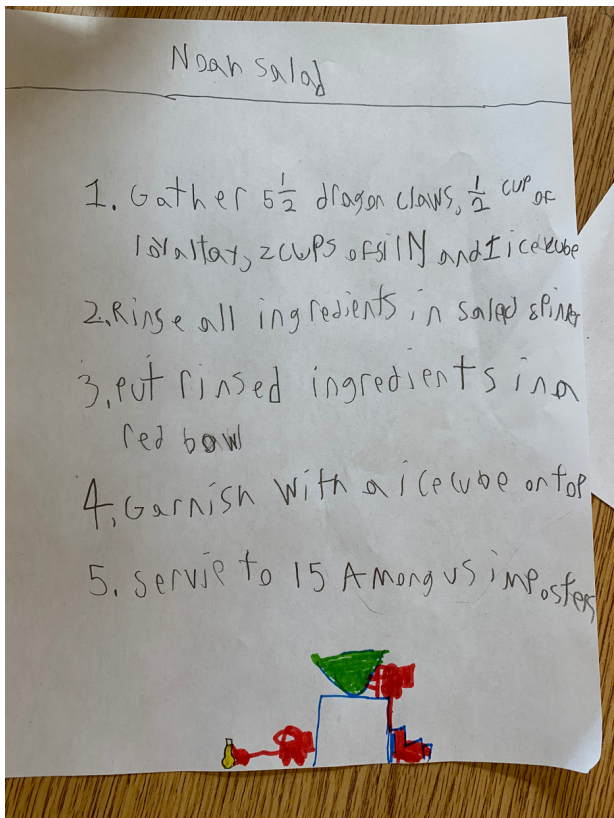
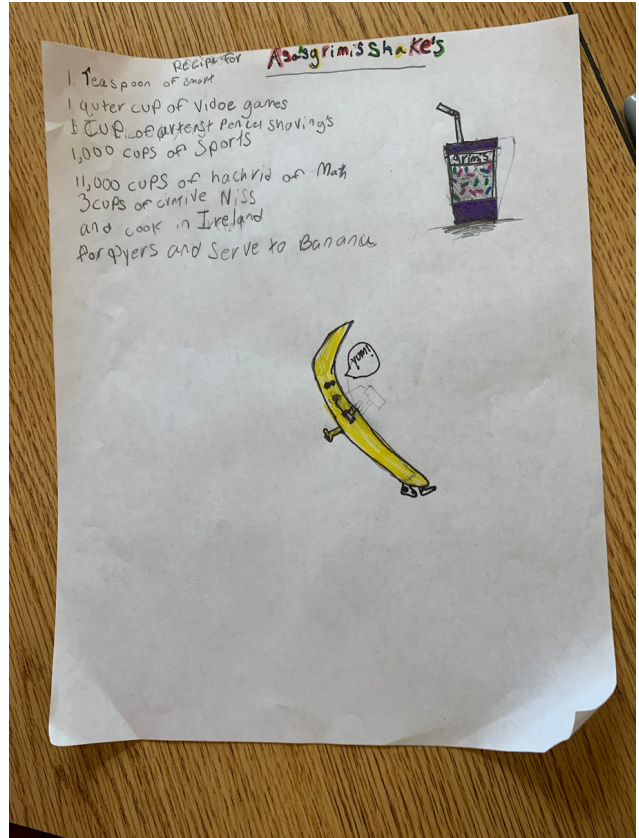
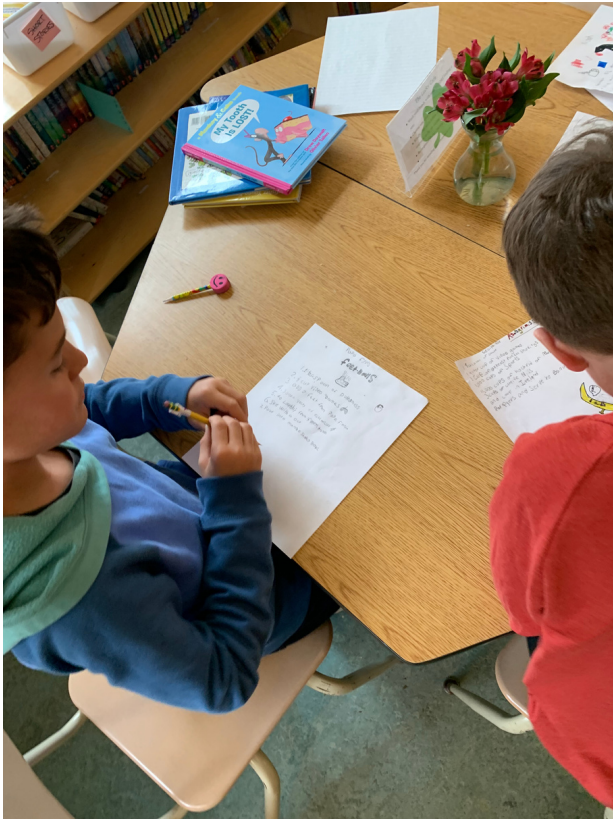
Students thought about their passions, favorite activities and who they really are to create a “recipe of me”. We learned about measurement and how to read a recipe and how to write a recipe in the process. Last week, we put our recipe skills to the test when we followed a tricky recipe for ice cream.

On our latest Beetlebung trip we learned about soil blocking, propagation and started some seeds. We love our Farmer teachers!



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Just a few of 4/5's super sweet recipes



**WE PLANTED PEAS THIS WEEK
AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO
SPRING!**

