It’s a new season and excitement is blooming!

What’s new? Updates to our learning garden plan for this summer are plentiful and we are excited to share these updates with you! Some of the highlights include:

- **Potted Trees**: To incorporate more new vegetation we are introducing a few potted trees. Watch for apple, fig, and lemon trees soon (provided by our partners and supporters in the Agroforestry Department).
- **Music & Art**: The east fence line will be home to a variety of artistic outlets including chalkboards and musical instruments.
- **Little Garden**: In the works is a plan to revitalize the “Little Garden” to be a welcoming place that will accommodate even our youngest CDL children!
- **Perennial Garden**: A new, additional perennial garden will be host to blackberry, currant, and blueberry bushes flanked by pea plant tunnels.
- **Reading Garden**: To further support literacy, a designated learning space with shade and seating is going where the strawberries were last year.
- **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Garden**: A large bed will be designed to invite our young learners to measure, hypothesize, investigate, and solve problems.
- **Classroom Plots**: Each classroom will have a designated space to design, plant, and harvest. Signs will be installed in May with each classrooms’ garden plot name and description.

This month in the garden....

- **YOU’RE INVITED!** Please join us Saturday, April 23rd for the Playground and Garden Work Day!
- Our USDA partner, Jim Elder, has already hosted the classrooms for planting with more opportunities to come!
- Look for our new Garden Adventures whiteboards in the classrooms for daily updates.