What have we planted this month? **August Jobs to do** Compost – Keep compost piles damp and turned often African & French marigold □ Artichoke Fertilize – feed tomatoes with magnesium (Epsom salts) Arugula/rocket Avocado 1 tablespoon of Epsom salts to 9 litres water Asparagus Basil Fertilize – apply fertilizer tea to mature pawpaw, cabbage, Beans (French & climbing) □ Beetroot celery, leek, lettuce, silverbeet, young rhubarb Capsicum/chilli Cabbage Fertilize – apply seaweed tea to avocado and pistachio Catnip Carrot Fertilize - feed kiwifruit, pecan, olive, Chinese cabbage Citrus Harvest – crops for storage in 3rd quarter Chives Celery Maintenance – give tomatoes, peas and tall perennials Coriander Cucumber Dill Daylily support Pests – watch for Bronze orange citrus bug and spray with Echinacea Eggplant natural pyrethrum or knock them into a bucket of soapy Grain crops Herbaceous perennial seed Hyssop Kale water Pests – remove citrus gall wasps before the end of the month Kohlrabi Lavender Pests – check garlic for rust just before harvest and if Lettuce Jerusalem artichoke necessary spray with bi carb soda solution Macadamia Mizuna Pests – wash aphids off with the hose Nasturtium NZ spinach Pests – watch for fruit fly on tomatoes and capsicums and Okra Parsley cover with exclusion bags Potato Potted grapes Prune – prune fig tree by 2/3rds as fruit is produced on new Pumpkin Tatsoi season's growth Radish Rocket Prune – thin fruit trees, support limbs bearing heavy crops, Rosella Rockmelon lightly prune citrus Rosemary Rue Prune – strawberry runners Silverbeet Spring onions Summer squash Prune – prune dormant fruit trees, cane berries, vines, roses Sunflower Seedlings – thin seedlings of carrot, beetroot, green onions, Thyme Sweet corn Watercress Tomato lettuce Soil – prepare beds for spring by applying organic matter to Watermelon Zucchini break down over winter

Soil – Hoe and cultivate to lightly break up soil crust