



Mrs. Catherine Hampton

Gordon County Schools, W.L. Swain Elementary School

“Victory Gardens”

STEM Classroom Lesson

Mrs. Hampton’s students engaged in STEM through history in her integrated unit on WW2. During this unit, students planned, planted, and cared for a Victory Garden. Students took the idea of “doing their part” to heart. Vegetables from the Victory Garden were turned into salsas and soups and labels were made to look like WW2 posters. These homemade salsas and soups were then given out to veterans in the community during a Veterans Day celebration. Mrs. Hampton’s WW2 unit empowered her students to make real-world connections to history and make a difference in their community.

Impact Initiative

Mrs. Hampton encourages her students to experience coding and robotics through Spheros and Wonder Bots. Students have been able to make the robots swim, paint, perform ballet, and engage in a Sumo wrestling match. She even uses robotics in social studies where Spheros demonstrate how German troops were dropped off at designated coordinates. Mrs. Hampton knows that coding and robotics will prepare young learners to embrace technology and utilize it to solve problems.