

Goosehill Primary School



Weekly Notes- April 24, 2015

Dear Parents,

We celebrated the Earth in a number of ways this week. The teachers engaged the children in read alouds and discussions about recycling and conservation. Our first graders conducted the morning announcements, sharing facts, jokes, songs, and poems with the whole school. The children learned about the parts of plants and planted seeds in recycled milk containers in science class. They look forward to watching their own patch of grass grow! Some classes made bird feeders and hung them in our courtyard and others made wonderful crafts made of recycled materials. In art class, students created beautiful mosaics (using paper scraps) of objects found in nature and in music class, they sang songs celebrating the Earth. Our parents contributed to our Earth Week focus by arranging for the seed planting project, donating a read aloud book for every class, and providing fun recess games and activities for our students. Thank you! We hope you enjoyed our special Family Focus Earth Week Homework too!

Here are just a few of the Earth-related announcements our first graders made this week:

- Recycling a single aluminum can save enough energy to run a TV for 3 hours... or a light bulb for 4 hours!
- Almost ³/₄ of the Earth is covered by water, which is why it is sometimes called the "Blue Planet".
- To conserve water, take a shorter shower and turn off the water when brushing your teeth.



- To help save trees, use both sides of the paper.
- Turn off lights, televisions, and computers when you leave the room.
- What living thing has no eyes, no ears, no nose, no arms, no legs, BUT is really good for the Earth? (Ask your child for the answer!)

There are some terrific family events this weekend you may want to attend, such as the CSH Fish Hatchery Spring Festival (tomorrow 10-4:30) and the Planting Fields Arbor Day Family Festival (Saturday and Sunday 10-5).

Happy Arbor Day!

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