

Identifying Solutions


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does recycle mean?	TO REUSE waste products.
does recycling help natural resources?	Reusing paper can help trees.
What are the 3Rs?	Reuse, Reuse, Recycle.
What is compost?	Mixture of leaves, dirt, fruit that decompose to soil or plants.
What are three ways you can reduce solid waste.	Use a thermose, reusable container and compost.

Students used their research to create newspaper articles about solid waste reduction. The newspaper articles were shared with students in other grade levels to promote the purpose and importance of Waste Free Wednesday.

Name: Alex

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Picture



Caption: Reusable water bottle

Subheading: Reducer and Reuse

Did you know Reducing and Reusing is one of the good ways to help the earth. Reducing helps us use less plastic which is very good. Reusing is also very good because it also helps to save natural resources. When you use less natural resources it makes less trash go into landfills. Reducing and Reusing is very good.


Information Box

You can help save the world too!

Subheading: Recycle

Recycling is also another good way to save the earth. If you don't know what recycle means, it means to turn something to something different. It helps to make less of a natural resource into a new thing. This is a good way to keep the environment in a better place.

Diagram/Map



Caption: Key: trash can

Name: Henry

Solid Waste Reduction: Data Collection Tool

Make a Prediction	I predict third graders produce <u>26 lbs</u> lbs of trash on an average day in the cafeteria.
Data Collection #1 - Regular Lunch Day	<u>17</u> lbs of trash produced in the cafeteria.
Data Collection #2 - Waste Free Wednesday	<u>6</u> lbs of trash produced in the cafeteria.
Reflection: How can our actions positively affect the environment?	If I use less trash there will be less solid waste.

Students planned and participated in a Waste-Free Wednesday. Students collected data from a regular lunch day and the Waste Free Wednesday to learn about how our actions positively affect the environment.

Reduce Your Waste!

Waste-free Wednesday

Remember to pack a waste-free lunch
this Wednesday.

Pack waste free food!

Did you know that up to 50% of items in school/preschool bins come from food and drink packaging is brought from home?



Pack

- Snacks in reusable containers
- Drinks in a reusable bottle
- Reusable utensils when needed
- A reusable lunchbox or backpack



Avoid

- Lunches packed in plastic bags, cling film or foil
- Disposable drink boxes, cans, cartons and bottles
- Disposable forks and spoons
- Pre-packaged lunches or single serve items

One Waste Free Wednesday is planned for each marking period. As a result of these planned days, many students continue to pack waste-free lunches throughout the year.



Students participated in our schoolwide Waste Free Wednesday to reduce our daily solid waste.

