

Earth Day

Earth Day is celebrated every year on April 22. In 1970, a US Senator from Wisconsin, created this national day to create awareness of the environment and how we treat nature. Today this day is celebrated as an international event in 193 countries. People come together on Earth Day. They ask leaders for change. People in government can pass laws to protect our land, air, and water.

Let's save the earth!

All over the world, we have an affect on the environment through all our actions or even by simply living as we do. We use electricity and water, use of transport such as cars, busses and airplanes to go to school or work. Remember that also by eating the food we need for surviving we all affect our environment, as that food is planted and harvested, transported to a store near you by big trucks who also pollute the environment. The waste we produce and the way we dispose of our waste is creating many problems.

So remember:

Reduce - Recycle - Reuse

Reduce: Means to use less and not waste. One way to do this is by turning off the water why you are brushing your teeth.

Reuse: Means to use something over and over again. By using a glass cup instead of plastic, you are reusing something.

Recycle: To use materials from old items to make something new. For example, recycled newspaper can be turned into egg cartons!

There are many things you can do with friends and family this Earth Day. Volunteer in your community. Plant a tree or clean up a park. Do your part to help the planet! Other ways are, driving instead of walking, recycling, planting trees, drinking from reusable water bottles, or picking up litter at the park. What are some ways you can help save the earth?