

HELLO, and welcome back to School! The Worm Lady and all her wiggly friends hope you had a great time this summer. All the red wiggler worms here at REAPS have had a wonderful and relaxing vacation, but they are looking for a place to stay warm during the school year and your classrooms are just what they're looking for! If you would like to adopt a bin full of friendly and hungry pets that will assist with your lunch wastes please contact thewormlady@reaps.org to register for 1000 wiggly friends, bin, monthly support visit, monthly newsletter and a visit from the worm lady herself, to assist the classroom in setting up, maintaining and caring for your new friends.



ADOPT-A-WORM

The REAPS Adopt-a-Worm School Program has been around for 15 years now! It is a fun, hands-on presentation that teaches students all about worms and vermicomposting (composting with worms). Your class will learn about everything from worm anatomy to why worms are important for the health of the planet. The class will even get the chance to keep their very own worm bin for the school year to recycle their lunch wastes! REAPS provides the bin, the worms and support. The students provide food for the worms and care. They will enjoy watching their lunch wastes be transformed into valuable castings.

The Worm Lady will visit the classroom every month to check on the worms, answer any of your questions, and to teach the students about the worm bin and recycling. Participating classes will also receive this monthly newsletter.

This one hour presentation is FREE and is available for preK-8!

For more information or to register call REAPS at 250-561-7327 or email thewormlady@reaps.org

Register today, as worms are limited!

Who Knew?

Let's face it, worms are definitely not the cutest or most popular animal in the world, but they do provide many benefits to the environment that most animals are incapable of providing. Worms treat waste, help fight pollution and keep our gardens clean. Not bad in a days work! Below is a list of the most interesting facts that you may not know about worms.

Worms love food!

Earthworms will eat almost anything that was once alive, but is now dead.

Worms aren't originally from here!

They came all the way across the Atlantic ocean during the 1600 and 1700's in potted plants.

Worms have big mouths for their size!

A worm's mouth is big enough to carry a whole leaf around.

Worms have two types of muscles!

Worms have muscles that go in circles around their bodies and another set that run down their bodies. They use these muscles to stretch out really thin.

Is a worm a boy or girl?

A worm is a "hermaphrodite" since it has both male and female reproductive organs.



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