



Hello and welcome back to another year of school. The worm lady and all her worms hope that you had a wonderful summer. While all the worms had a lovely time down at REAPS Compost Demonstration Garden this summer they are looking for a home during this school year and your school room would be perfect. If you are interested in adopting a bin of wiggly friends for the school year please take a look at the information below. You will get not only 1000 new wiggly friends but also supplies, support, and a new place to put your lunchroom waste. We look forward to hearing from you soon. *Worms are limited.*

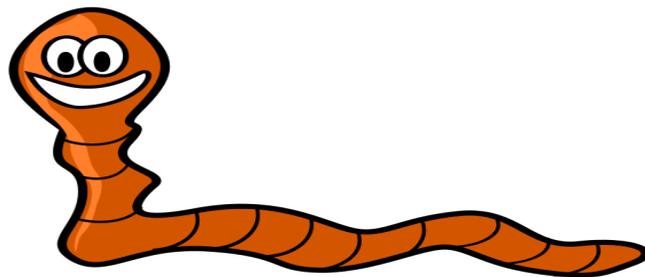
Adopt-a-worm

Wow, it has now been 16 years since the REAPS Adopt-a-Worm School Program began. It is a hands on fun presentation that tells your students all about worms, vermicomposting (composting with worms), and why worms are valuable to this Earth. Your class will get the chance to watch as their lunchroom waste is transformed by the worms into castings (a valuable soil supplement for plants i.e./ poop). REAPS will provide you with the bin, the worms, and support. Your students will provide the food and care.

Your classroom will get a monthly visit from the Worm Lady who will check on the worms, answer any questions, and teach your students about the worm bin and recycling. With your participation comes this monthly newsletter.

There is a one hour presentation when the bin is delivered and it is FREE and is available for preK to grade 8.

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



Did you know?

~We have 10 hearts or 5 pairs.

~Worms can not hear or see. They sense vibrations through their skin.

~Worms were once sacred. In Ancient Egypt Cleopatra declared them sacred and forbade farmers from removing them from the soil.

~There is 2700 different kinds of worms.

~The Australian Gippsland Earthworm grows 12 feet (3.6576 meters) long and can weigh 1 and half pounds (0.7 kilograms).

Send any questions, art or inquiries to:
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