



Have you helped the environment today?

Pine Cone Birdfeeder Craft

- Pine cone
- Paper plate
- Butter knife
- Smooth peanut butter/suet/lard
- Birdseed
- Ribbon or yarn
- Scissors

1. Cut a long length of yarn or ribbon to hang the bird feeder.
2. Tie the ribbon in a knot around the pine cone near the top (about 3 sections down).
3. Tie a knot in the end of the ribbon.
4. Use the knife to get a large clump of peanut butter/suet/lard on the paper plate.
5. Use the knife to spread peanut butter inside the pine cone and around the edges.
6. Sprinkle the birdseed over the pine cone.
7. Roll the pine cone in the birdseed that is on the plate.
8. Hang the bird feeder on the tree and enjoy watching the birds eat their treat!

World Environment Day

World Environment Day is held every year on June 5 all around the world! Children everywhere are coming up with things they can do to reduce damage to our beautiful planet. What can YOU do?



Some things people organize include activities like bicycle rides, essay/poster making, tree planting, crafts made from recycled materials, parades, among many other festivities.

Ideas of things *you* can do include riding your bike instead of having your parents give you a ride in the car, get your parents to recycle if they don't already, or maybe try composting! If you don't live somewhere you can compost, try vermicomposting at home now that you're an expert! For any help, call us here at REAPS.



It's also **Clean Air Day** on June 5, so plant a tree or a new plant in your garden to help clean the air and help the Earth! Challenge your school to host a "car-free" day and encourage everyone to take a bus, bike or carpool to school. What other ideas do you have to keep the air clean?

Important Dates

June – Environment Month

- 5 World Environment Day
- 5 Clean Air Day
- 2-8 World Environment Week
- 8 World Oceans Day
- 15 Global Wind Day
- 9 Canadian Rivers Day
- 15 Canada Parks Day
- 20 Summer Solstice—longest day of the year!
- 21 National Aboriginal Day

Go for Green Week!

Come by our garden to celebrate 'Go for Green Week'! It will involve FREE children's crafts using recycled items, as well as composting and vermicomposting workshops for your parents!

Crafts will be happening in the REAPS garden on July 11 -13!