

REAPS READER

Have you helped the environment today?

OCTOBER IS WASTE REDUCTION MONTH

It's that time of year again, and R.E.A.P.S will once again be challenging YOU to be the classroom with the least amount of solid waste. This year, the Waste Reduction Challenge will be held the week of October 15th to 19th. The classroom that produces the least amount of solid waste for the week will win a \$100 prize!!!

Register with R.E.A.P.S @ 561-7327 or email events@reaps.org and receive an info package.

To participate: Set up 5 containers; one each for glass, cans, compostables, refundable containers (pop bottles, cans, juice boxes), and true garbage. At the end of each day, weigh the materials in each container and record on the sheet provided. Dispose of the material properly.



Tips for a Green Halloween

- Trick-or-Treat with a reuseable bag, such as a pillowcase, rather than a plastic container.
- Make Do-It-Yourself costumes out of old clothes and items around the house, or visit a thrift store to find a unique outfit.
- Recycle your jack-o-lantern! Compost your pumpkins and you can use the rich finished compost to grow your own pumpkins next year!
- Don't litter! Save your candy wrappers for the garbage.

Important Dates:

October 1st
World Habitat Day

October 4th
World Animal Day

October 5th
World Teacher Day

October 8th
Thanksgiving

October 15th-23rd
Waste Reduction Week

October 16th
World Food Day

October 31st
Halloween

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