

BCS Celebrates Earth Day!



Earth Day aims to inspire awareness of and appreciation for earth's environment and is celebrated on April 22 each year. April 17th up to April 22nd Earth Day 2017 we will be asking you to participate in a series of events that we hope will help to educate and inspire the whole community.

Waste Free Lunches

- 1: Use **Tupperware** containers that can be reused
- 2: Use **lunch boxes** instead of paper bags
- 3: Use a **cloth napkin** instead of a paper one
- 4: **Don't bring packaged food**
- 5: Bring a **reusable water bottle**
- 6: Use a **thermos** for soup
- 7: Use **silverware** instead of plastic forks
- 8: **Buy items** in the lunch line that have **no packaging**
- 9: Pack **unpackaged foods** like fruits and vegetables
- 10: **Recycle plastic and paper** from your lunch



Which Animal Should BCS Adopt?

The Detroit Zoo ADOPTS program provides an opportunity for us to support endangered species around the world. Should we adopt a polar bear, a giraffe or a wolverine at the Detroit Zoo? Throughout the week we invite you to vote for your preferred animal with your loose change. We will have a jar for each animal in the main hallway and the animal with the most money will be adopted. Check out our ECO INFO board at school for interesting facts about each animal here: <http://bit.do/adopt17>



Turn Off Your Engines Please!

If you anticipate being in the pickup line for longer than 3 minutes please turn off your engine. You will not only be saving gasoline and money, you will not be releasing toxic emissions into the air. When you add up idling in a pickup line for 30 minutes a day, 5 days a week, 180 school days a year, you are spending 27,000 minutes not moving. This comes to 18.75 days!

Whiteboard Commitments

At BCS we value the 3 E's: Each Other, Education, Environment. How will you show your appreciation for the environment this year? Throughout the week we will be inviting students to write their own personal statements and commitments on the whiteboards in our main hallway to inspire each other.

Let's Learn Together

Our 3-6 students will be watching Born in China at the cinema on Friday April 21. By learning about giant pandas, golden snub-nosed monkeys snow leopards and red-crowned cranes, students will be on the way to helping protect these species! Shared knowledge creates awareness, which can lead to action.

Our 7/8 students will be enjoying a presentation by Margaret Whitfield, one of our parents, about sustainable building practices. The presentation will incorporate math, science, design and art and how to be environmentally responsible.

Celebrate with the Family

Celebrate with your family by adopting a few new earth-friendly practices, or by volunteering to clean up a local park on Earth Day. Talk about how to use water wisely around the house or teach them to reuse and repurpose common household objects. Check out some of the many local activities taking place to celebrate Earth Day here <http://bit.do/EarthD2017> and please feel free to add to our list.

EVERYDAY IS EARTH DAY