

Our Earth

Learning Challenges Week Beginning 27 April 2020

Last week was the 50th ever Earth Day, a day when everyone is encouraged to think about how our actions affect the world around us. It's important to care for our environment all of the time so this week's challenges are all about what we can do at home to look after the world around us.

Watch a movie with an environmental theme such as Wall-E, Happy Feet, or The Lorax. Talk to an adult about the message the movie wants us to remember.

Extra challenge: Write or record a review of the movie. Did you enjoy it? What was the best bit? Was there any part you didn't like?

Help the adults at home to sort out the recycling from the rubbish and make sure that it goes in the correct bin. Talk about the different materials that we can recycle and why recycling is important.

Extra challenge: Print the table below or draw your own and make a list of the different items you find made from each material.

Make a bird feeder for your garden. Follow the CBeebies link below for ideas on how to do this. Hang it in your garden and see if the food gets eaten. You could draw the birds that you see.

Extra challenge: Draw or write instructions to show how you made your bird feeder.

Many scientists think that eating fruit and vegetables grown near to our homes would be a good way to help our Earth. Look at the labels on your shopping and see where it comes from. Sort it into food from the UK and food from the rest of the world. Talk to an adult about the journey your food has been on.

Extra challenge: Grow some food in your garden.

Find out why trees are important to our Earth. You could watch the video below or look in non-fiction books. When you go for walk see how many different types of tree you can spot. There is a tree identification sheet on the school website to help you.

Extra challenge: Use scrap paper and crayons to make bark rubbings. Use your rubbings to create a collage of an animal.

Lots of people are working very hard to make sure that our Earth is looked after. Some examples are Greta Thunberg, Frankie Morland and Sir David Attenborough. With an adult, find out about the work one of these individuals does.

Extra challenge: Make a poster telling us about the person you chose to learn about. You could use pictures, words or both.

Useful links to look at with an adult.

Please be mindful of e-safety, particularly with Youtube links.

Cheebies Explains the Environment:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s39DjCdseAA

Newsround information about Earth Day:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/52357230

Cheebies song about rubbish and recycling:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CCS6iOG5G68

Make a bird feeder:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/makes/bird-feeder

Why do we need trees?:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_KMN8532co

Information about David Attenborough:

https://www.activityvillage.co.uk/david-attenborough

Information about Frankie Morland:

https://tpet.co.uk/world-in-danger/

Information and activities from the Eden Project:

https://www.edenproject.com/learn/for-everyone



What have you recycled this week?

paper and card	metal	glass	other