Dear Families:

To celebrate Earth Day, we learned about taking care of our planet and discussed the importance of recycling.

We created our own recycling center by repurposing four large cardboard cartons as “recycling bins” and labeling them with the words *Paper*, *Metal*, *Glass* and *Plastic*. Then we took turns pulling items out of a paper bag, discussing what each item was made of and dropping each item into the appropriate recycling bin.

After a lunch break, we spent the afternoon collecting recyclables from the playground and the neighborhood around our school. We brought our collection bags back to the building and placed the recyclable materials into the appropriate recycling bins.

We also talked about the importance of repurposing items before recycling them. Add empty egg cartons, cereal boxes, facial tissue boxes and paper towel tubes to your child’s art center. You’ll fuel your child’s creative engine and get a little more use out of these items before you relegate them to the recycling bin!

Have fun learning about the “3Rs” (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) with your child this week!