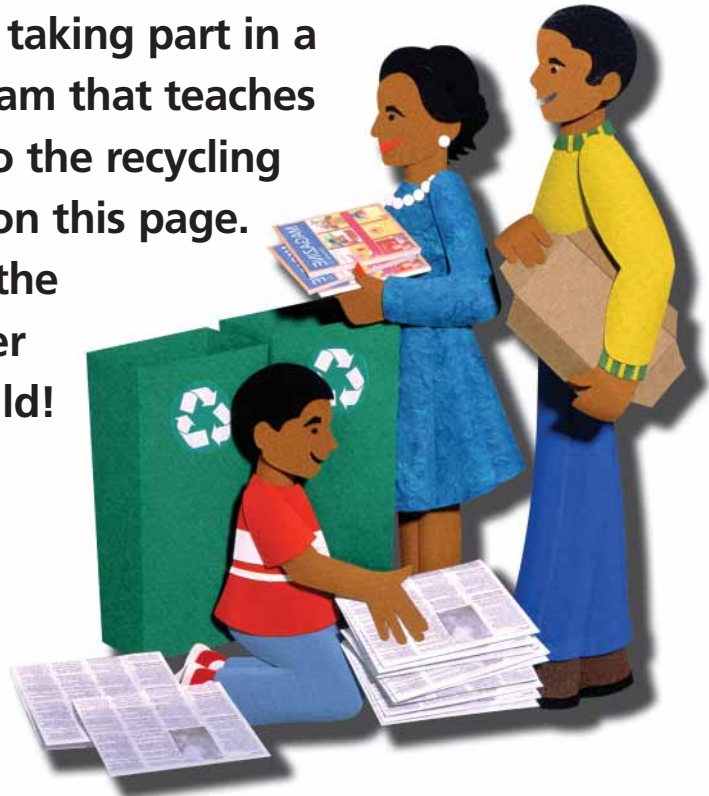








Recycling Starts with You!

Dear Families,

At school, your child has been taking part in a language arts and math program that teaches about paper recycling. Get into the recycling loop by reading the fun facts on this page. Then join in the fun by doing the interactive activity on the other side of this page with your child!



Did You Know?

-  The world's first paper was made from recycled material. Around A.D. 105, a Chinese court official used recovered rags and old fishing nets to create the first paper.
-  A French scientist got the idea of making paper from wood fiber while observing wasps building their nests.
-  Your recycling bin may contain products that have already been recycled. Recovered fiber goes into many of the products we use every day, including cereal boxes, newspaper, notebook paper, and cardboard containers.
-  Every day, U.S. papermakers recycle enough paper to fill a train of boxcars that is 15 miles long!
-  Today, more than 50 percent of the paper consumed in the U.S. is being recovered for recycling. That works out to 342 pounds for every man, woman, and child in the U.S.
-  Recognizing that recycling is good for our environment, the U.S. paper industry wants to boost the recovery rate of paper to 55 percent by the year 2012. Your family can help! The activity on the other side of this page will get you started.

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