

# RECYCLE MORE

at School



Serving El Cerrito, Hercules, Pinole, Richmond, San Pablo & El Sobrante

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## THIS NEWSLETTER IS NOW ONLINE!

We've gone digital! We are transitioning to email-based newsletters in an effort to reduce our paper waste by over 5000 newsletters a year!

Go online to our NEW redesigned website [www.recyclemore.com](http://www.recyclemore.com) to sign up!



### Benefits of signing up include:

- \* e-newsletter is distributed one week before our print version. Why wait?!
- \* Interact with your news! Click directly on articles to sign up for events or learn more. LET'S SEE PAPER DO THAT!

## Middle & High School Teachers!

Your students can win up to \$250 by writing an essay:

- 1) Explaining how recycling has benefited their community environmentally and economically OR...
- 2) Discussing the merits of reusable versus plastic or paper bags.



- \*Open to West Contra Costa County public and private schools only
- \*Maximum 500 words
- \*Deadline: Friday, October 21st, 2011 5:00pm

If you have any questions call Claudia @ (510) 215-3126 or visit [recyclemore.com](http://recyclemore.com) and sign up for more information and entry form.

## How does your garden grow?

Planning a spring garden?

Now is the time to begin preparing! It's easy as 1-2-3!

1. Pick your garden spot, develop a planting plan & start clearing away debris.
2. Call RecycleMore for free composting & vermicopsting (aka worms!) classes for students and teachers at (510) 215-3021
3. Apply for a RecycleMore mini-grant! Call Claudia at (510) 215-3126



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Free Field Trips, Activities, & Workshops Sign Up Today!

## THEY ARE CUTE.... BUT DON'T TAKE THEM HOME!!!

IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES RECYCLEMORE STAFF STRIVE TO PROVIDE QUALITY EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE TO ALL WEST COUNTY SCHOOLS.

HELP US TO CONTINUE PROVIDING IN-DOOR RECYCLING CONTAINERS BY NOT TAKING BLUE BASKETS OFF SCHOOL CAMPUS.

THANK YOU!

"Don't take me home... leave me at school!"



# RecycleMore's Fall 2011 Programs

Our quality programs are FREE and open to all schools in West County. Workshops & field trips are popular, so call early to reserve your spot.

## Four R's Presentation

Required before a field trip or can be a stand-alone presentation. This visual-rich presentation introduces the 4 R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rot. Specially-designed, subject-specific presentations are available for middle and high school classes.

K - 12th Grade; Contact to arrange date/time, 1 hour

## Recycling Center, Composting, & Transfer Station Field Trips

Students see first-hand where the materials that go into the blue, brown, & green bins at home end up with this enlightening tour of the transfer station and recycling center. 3rd - 12th Grade; Tuesdays & Thursdays

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

## Recycling Center Field Trips

A shorter version for younger students to see the operations of our local recycling center.

1st - 2nd Grade; Tuesdays & Thursdays

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

## Paper-making Workshops

Available to paper-making novices only.

Students make their own colorful paper and learn about recycling in the process in this hands-on workshop.

K - 6th Grade; Contact to arrange date/time, 1 hour

## Worm Composting Workshops

RecycleMore's Worm folks will help you set up a classroom worm bin and will teach your students about worms and vermicomposting.

Preschool - 12th Grade; Contact for date/time, 1 hour

## Four R's Action Program

(KIDS for the BAY Elementary School Intensive)

A multi-session workshop over 10 weeks with Kids for the Bay. Students learn new ways to reduce waste and conserve resources at home and at school. "The [Four Rs Action] program has made my students more aware of their actions, the difference between want and need, and the earthly limits of our natural resources." Mary Hughes-Tutass, 4th grade teacher. Space is limited so call 215-3126 for more information today!

## Art in the Heart

This awesome after-school reuse arts program is dedicated to the 4R's. Art instructors from the East Bay depot for Creative Reuse introduce the 4R's in a fun, creative and artistic way. Sign up today!

K-6th Grade

## School Mini Grants

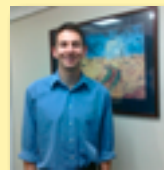
RecycleMore provides funds to West County schools for projects that help reduce waste at school. Contact Claudia at (510) 215 3126 for more information. recyclemore.com. Grades K-6

**SIGN UP NOW!**

**SEE CONTACT INFO BELOW**

## FAREWELL FROM VINCE FERRO, YOUR RECYCLING COORDINATOR

AFTER 13 MONTHS AS RECYCLEMORE'S RECYCLING COORDINATOR I AM TRANSITIONING TO A TECH JOB IN SILICION VALLEY. I WILL ALWAYS LOVE EDUCATING STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND TEACHERS ABOUT THE GREATNESS OF THE 4-R'S, WHY LANDFILLS STINK, AND HOW WE CAN MAKE OUR WORLD A BETTER PLACE ONE PLASTIC BOTTLE AT A TIME. THANK YOU RECYCLEMORE!



## IMPORTANT RECYCLING PHONE NUMBERS

### **Additional Carts or Extra Pick Ups**

Richmond Sanitary Service

Chuck Paradis

231-1621

### **General Information**

RecycleMore

215-3125

### **Classroom Bins, Waste Audits, Special Programs & Mini-Grants**

Claudia Taurean

215-3126

### **Field Trips, Paper-making Kits/ Workshops, Compost Hotline**

Recycling Coordinator 215-3021

(For day-to-day recycling/waste reduction operations, contact your school's Recycling Coordinator.)



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