

Focus of this meeting is on Composting:

Contract is set up with Black Earth Composting

Hannah is contact point. Will set up new email and PW with Kathryn.

Josh will write 3Crowns article with sign as image (Content below)

Kathryn to take to Brian to see if he has questions.

Pam C to talk to Annie Bing Marie Johnson, about Hospitality Team

Pam to make sign

Order bags every 6 months. Reorder Dec?

Josh to send recording to Ellen R.

Josh To conduct children's Recycling/Composting conversation at Midweek (content below)

3 Crowns Article on Composting

Epiphany Composts: You may have seen this sign near the kitchen. Over the Summer, Epiphany has contracted Black Earth Composting LLC to compost our food waste and turn it into deep, rich soil to grow new vegetables, flowers and more.

The next time you enjoy a meal at Epiphany, look for a composting station like the one near the sign to place your food waste. Do your part by putting any edible food into the green bag and Epiphany, with the help of Black Earth Compost, will turn it into compost to renew our food supply in an earth-sustaining manner!

Children's Recycling Project Questions

Show landfill picture. Does anyone know what this is?

Where does all this trash come from?

Why is a landfill bad?

It takes a long time to turn back to earth.

Think about how old your grandma and grandpa can be – 3-5 times as old as them

Water that runs out of landfills can be “toxic” and can pollute rivers and waterways

It creates greenhouse gasses (methane) that warms up the earth

Show seal picture

Another bad thing is that some of the things we throw away like plastic can harm animals

What kind of animal is this?

What's that around its neck?

The problem with plastic is that it takes thousands of years to "decompose". Does anyone know what that word means? To turn back into soil.

And plastic that's not decomposed can hurt animals

So what's the best way to reduce landfills and protect animals?

1. Use less things that we throw away in the trash
2. Use things over again and don't throw them away
3. Recycle

People call this "Zero waste"

Show hands picture

What's the best things to recycle? Hands to vote (tin can? Glass bottle? Paper? Plastic bottle?)
When we say recycle, we mean turning an old thing into a new thing (an old bottle becomes a new one)

Glass and metal can be completely recycled. Paper too

But plastic can't. For every 10 plastic bottles that are thrown away, only 1 is recycled. The rest goes into those landfills. And sits there for 450 years (that's 6 grandmas)

So what can you do? Get your parents to buy less things with plastic. Use glass and metal containers where you can. And recycle all of that.

Does anyone have a question?