

Concord Road Elementary School

R.O.A.R.s for the Environment

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THIS MONTHS FOCUS: Water Waste

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As we look for ways to stop water waste, here are TWO important things you can do at home.

For more info on how much water is wasted and what you can do to stop it click the hashtag!
[#stopwaterwaste](#)

Green Tip #1: Shower and Teeth Brushing

- **If you reduce your shower time by just 2-3 minutes you could save up to 10 gallons of water each time you shower! Ask a parent to time your next shower, then cut down that time by two minutes the next shower**
- **After you wet your toothbrush, turn the sink off while you brush!**



**Green Tip # 2:
Collect rain to
water your
indoor and
outdoor plants**



Collected rainwater can be used to water plants, fill your kiddie pool, and so much more!



Environmental Spotlight 2ND GRADERS FROM MRS. ROGOVIC AND MRS. POVEROMO'S CLASS



In our last issue we talked about reducing our use of plastic bags. These super second graders are doing their part by bringing their snacks in these reusable and washable snack bags. Each day they bring in their bags that's one less plastic Ziploc bag used. Over the 180 days in the school year their class of 23 students will have reduced over 4,000 plastic bag uses. If we all follow their example we could save over 150,000 bags a year! Congrats 2nd Graders on tacking action and making change!

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Ardsley High School Environmental Task Force



The high school task force met with county legislators to discuss the upcoming law banning plastic bags. They also reached out to

local businesses in Ardsley to discuss with managers how they are preparing for the new ban on plastic bags in their stores and shops.

Village of Ardsley Conservation & Environment Advisory Committee

The Conservation & Environment Committee (C.E.A.C.) helps to educate and advise the Village of Ardsley on the effective use of resources so that each of us may contribute as exceptional stewards towards a sustainable village environment. [Click here](#) for upcoming events.

Please consider these changes given your day-to-day actions by following these tips:

1. Request a home energy audit. Collect NY State rebates & save lots of money! on both heating & cooling expenses. Sign up today! [Sign Up here!](#)
2. Program winter thermostats to 68°F during waking hours at home & 65°F or lower when you're sleeping & when your home is vacant. (This tip is especially easy & important on warm winter days.)
3. Buy only what you need. Reduction of waste is the no. 1 recommendation from our County waste management leaders.
4. Do not idle any gas powered engines. Westchester County law set a 3-minute limit on car / truck idling. It's important for everyone's health, saves you money, and greatly reduces risk of harm from emissions. [More information here.](#)

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