



Message from Mrs. Tornroos: April 20, 2020

This week, on **April 22nd**, we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of **Earth Day**.

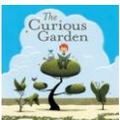


It is an annual event that people all around the world observe in support of environmental protection. In the past **Maple Grove** has held assemblies that highlight the importance of looking after our Earth by **recycling** as much as we can, by **walking or riding** bikes to school instead of driving, by **turning off the taps** so we don't waste water and by **using less electricity** when we can. Also, Maple Grove has participated in **The Great Global Cleanup** where our students have gone into our neighbourhood around the school to pick up trash. What can you do this year to help our Earth? How about planting some seeds? Let me know!



My Favourite Reads

As you all know I love books and am reading every single day, just like you. If we were at school this week I would be reading to students some books about the importance of looking after the environment. These would include **Just a Dream** by Chris Van Allsburg or **A River Ran Wild** by Lynn Cherry, my favourites. On **Bookflix** on our **Database** page you can watch and listen to the story **The Curious Garden** by Peter Brown and read along to a non-fiction book **Our Earth—Helping Out** by Peggy Hock.



Check This Out

And speaking of planting, you might check out author Kate Messner reading aloud to you her book **Up in the Garden and Down in the Dirt**

(<https://youtu.be/lg7hkJOVitA>)



THANK YOU

On April 22nd

I would also like to acknowledge our three wonderful **Administrative Assistants** for their caring ways, their kindness and patience in helping me and helping you too. Thank you to Mrs. Peters, Ms Lincoln and Ms Thow on Administrative Appreciation Day and every day.



If you have signed up for the reading site Epic! there are 44 books and 9 videos all about **Earth Day** and **taking care of our Earth**. Check these out too.

Library Links

To get to the VSB **Databases** go to Library.vsb.bc.ca

Use your:

student number

and newly set up password to log on to Maple Grove.

If you have any **questions** or wish to contact me telling me **how you are doing** or **what you are reading** you can email me at

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