3 Easy Earth Day Crafts with Recycled Materials

Earth Day is all about being aware of our impact on the environment so why not get the kids involved in a craft project that helps bring this concept to life?

1. Recycled Rainbow Wind Sock

This is our favorite of the three not just because you have to eat ice cream to make it (well, actually that is the best reason) but because you can make it as vibrant as you want and watch the colors twirl in the wind. To make a colorful wind sock simply take an empty ice cream container and a few other bits from around the house. A bit of cutting and pasting and voila - you can make a pretty outdoor decoration to hang on your porch, outside a window, in a tree, wherever you'd like to look at a bit of moving color.

2. Plastic Jug Ball Catcher

What better way to put your empty plastic milk jugs and bleach bottles to use than with a game of catch? You can make this funky ball and catcher set for one, or double up and make two catchers for two players and enjoy a proper game of catch. You make the ball out of newspaper and tape so you can decide how hard to make it. Ideal for preschoolers + up.

3. Milk Carton Truck

Boys love a good truck - and girls do too! This craft is not only fun to make but provides hours of enjoyment and endless play possibilities afterwards. All you need to make a class A dump truck is some straws, bamboo skewers, plastic bottle caps and milk or juice cartons - then go to it. Your little one will love decorating the finished product too.





