



## Eco Earthlings

### 5th & 6th Grade

Here at Red Butte Garden, we believe learning is fun and can happen anytime, anywhere. To help continue the fun at home, we've included an outline of the topics we'll study this week at camp as well as a list of additional activities, books, and other resources related to this week's theme. We hope you'll use this to engage with your camper and keep the learning process happening all summer long! Thanks for coming to Summer Camp, and we'll see you soon at the Garden!

#### CAMP THEME

This week at camp we'll learn about various environmental issues, and how to help save the environment. Each day we'll focus on a different issue and explore them with experiments and activities. Be sure to ask your camper about the following:

- **Monday** – Earth, Environmental Impact, what is an ecologist?
- **Tuesday** – Energy cycles and systems
- **Wednesday** – Reduce, reuse, recycle
- **Thursday** – Composting, decomposition, food scraps
- **Friday** – Water conservation

#### ACTIVITY IDEAS

- Create an at home compost bucket
  - <http://www.theymightbehomesteading.com/2013/02/building-a-5-gallon-bucket-composter.html>
- Experiment with re-growing kitchen scraps
  - <http://cookingstoned.tv/blog/2014/02/food-that-magically-regrows-itself-from-kitchen-scraps/#photo/food-that-magically-regrows-itself-870x2600>
- Learn more about water conservation tips
  - <http://wateruseitwisely.com/kids/>
- Using recycled objects from your house, challenge your camper to craft something new and useful out of the available materials.

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- *Captain Planet and the Planeteers* by Marvel Comics
- *Recycle! A Handbook for Kids* by Gail Gibbons
- *Michael Recycle* by Ellie Bethel

