



The class will be building a compost layer together for their upcoming garden lesson on _____

- Please bring in some items from each of the below "browns" and "greens" categories
- Nothing too slimy, stinky or wet please! The students will be handling these items
- Please keep the greens and browns separate so they can combine them during the lesson
- We are trying to avoid plastic waste so please no Ziploc-type baggies.
- Some ideas: fold up the greens in newspaper or brown paper grocery bag (the paper can be torn during the lesson and be used as browns, OR send both greens and browns in separate brown paper lunch bags, OR send items in separate reusable containers.

THANK YOU!

GREENS:

- Fruit and vegetable peels
- Citrus rinds
- Melon rinds
- Coffee grounds
- Tea leaves/non-plastic tea bags
- Old vegetables
- Houseplant trimmings
- Fresh grass clippings
- Fresh leaves
- Flowers
- Dead (not yet dry) disease-free plants
- Seaweed
- Stale bread
- Corn husks
- Egg shells

BROWNS:

- Shredded newspaper (small quantity)
- Straw – NOT hay
- Bedding from rabbits, guinea pigs
- *Dry leaves – VERY FAVORITE ITEM**
- Nut shells (peanuts, NO walnut)
- Toilet paper/paper towel tube
- Fallen bird nests
- Pine straw
- Used brown paper coffee filters
- Sawdust
- Paper egg cartons (torn up)
- Brown paper bags (torn up)
- Dried grass clippings