

GO GREEN CLUB MONTHLY RECAPS

2009-2010

December Recap:

Season's Greetings Go Greeners!

Our latest Go Green activity was another success - 90 students participated and several more kids asked to join the GG club when they saw the fun we were having! While making the holiday craft, we talked about what "compostable" means. Many of the children knew that composting refers to the breakdown of an object into useful, nutrient rich material and that food soiled paper like a take out coffee cup was compostable. However, many were surprised to learn that organic material can be used to make many things that were once always destined for the landfill. For example, the lid to their holiday craft is made from potato starch and is therefore compostable! We hope you enjoy your tulip bloom cup as much as they enjoyed making it. Special thanks to Nuria Gnagy, Collen Ito-Azuma, Mannie Nimmo, Mary Skipper, and Mimi Zhang for helping us keep things moving smoothly. They are awesome and Go Green wouldn't be the same without their continued support!

This past Saturday, December 12th, was our school's Holiday Breakfast. Hopefully you all had a chance to come to this fun family celebration. Thank you to Carrie Cong who helped Lori and I with the food scrapping. For an event with several hundred guests, we were able to keep the trash to just a few bags once the paper plates, cups, and foods were sorted out for compost!

On the literary front, we have some exciting new books available in the library! Thanks to an environmental grant from the city, we were able to purchase some great books to add to our Go Green collection. Mrs.

Peterson has dedicated an entire section near the entrance of the library and will be happy to help select one that interests your child.

Furthermore, if your child finds some green inspiration from one of these titles, we would love to hear about it! Have him/her fill out a "Go Green Book Review" form. It may be selected to be displayed on the Go Green Wall and the reviewer will receive a special treat! A copy of the form is attached for you to print or it can be found at the Go Green section in the library. They are free to decorate or color the page as well.

We wish you all a safe, happy, and GREEN winter break. Enjoy your time with your friends and loved ones and we look forward to seeing you all in the bright new year! Our next Go Green Kids Club meeting will be on January 15th.

Best Green Wishes,

Kathy Bean and Lori Bautista
Go Green chairpersons