In honor of Earth Week, let’s explore all the wonderful things about the Earth! Take a nature walk with your family and appreciate the little things!

Start by making your own Nature Weaving Board!

**Materials:**
- Cereal box
- Yarn or string
- Scissors

**Instructions:**
1. Cut out one side of a cereal box
2. Make small cuts into the edges of both sides
3. Take yarn or string and weave it tightly around the box, securing the string in the cuts on the edges

Take your new nature weaving board with you and go exploring outside with your family. Collect items such as long grasses, leaves, and flower petals. Then secure the items under the string of your board.

When you’re done, bring your board inside and display it. Write a Thank You note to the Earth for the items you found—or make up your own song or poem!
Earth Day is a wonderful time to reflect on the amazing Earth! Do this by reusing, reducing, and recycling your household waste. You can help the Earth by keeping waste out of landfills and by saving the fuel it would have taken to transport it there.

**Reuse**
We throw away many items when we are “done” with them. How can we use them again in new ways?

**Reduce**
Make your own mini compost bin
Instead of throwing all of your food scraps in the trash, save scraps that can be added to the soil! With the help of an adult or older sibling, create a compost jar to help your garden grow!

1. First, find a plastic or glass jar with a lid. This could be a jar from pasta sauce or a to-go container that held soup.
2. Fill the jar ½ way with soil.
3. Add small food scraps throughout the day (banana peels, egg shells, vegetable stems, fruit skins). But remember not to use meat or dairy products.
4. Add ¼ cup of water every 2 to 3 days to the jar and remember to shake it up.
5. You’ll know your compost is ready to use when you can no longer recognize the food scraps you added, the soil is dark in color, and it has a sweet smell.

**Bonus:** Find a creative way to digitally capture your participation. Wear blue and green, clothing made from recycled materials, or your favorite thrift store finds. Or dress like your favorite animal!