



Get children organized with fun summer recycling projects

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Many children are learning a lot about the value of recycling while they're in school.

During their summer vacation, you can help your children continue to learn about recycling while they're having fun:

- **School folders.** One easy task that will help them prepare for the next school year - help them reorganize their school folders, then recycle the paper and reuse the folders. See the Get Organized article "[Keep the Gems...](#)" for a step-by-step process you can use with your child.
- **Tie dye project.** Tie-dye t-shirts to reuse the shirts or donate to charity. Go to [Kinder Art](#) for instructions suitable for ages 4 and up.
- **Compost pile.** Set up a backyard compost pile! [Lucy Gardens](#) shows you how. If you'd rather start small, make compost in a container to keep in your kitchen - see [eHow](#) for directions.
- **Arts-and-crafts.** Plan arts-and-crafts projects that use recycled materials or focus on other sustainability practices. Visit [Kaboose](#) and [Crafts for Children](#) for lots of ideas suitable for different ages.

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