

Hey kids.... Let's germinate some seeds!

Egg cartons can be used for lots of activities. We are going to use some for this activity to germinate our seeds. You can also make your own planter tubes out of eggshells, recycled coffee cups, folded newspaper or hessian fabric (place some holes in the bottom for draining). Egg cartons and eggshells are biodegradable so are able to be transferred into your vegetable patch once your seeds have sprouted. This is recycling at its best!

In an egg carton....

1. Cut the lid off your egg carton and place it underneath the carton.
2. Place some seed raising mix into the 12 sections.
3. Place a variety of lettuce seeds and herbs, etc into the soil.
4. Using icy pole sticks and sticky notes, write the names of your seeds. (You could decorate your labels!)
5. Spray well to moisten the soil with a spray bottle.
6. Place in a warm position and spray every day until your seeds have germinated.
7. Mind not to wet the seeds too much. Depending on the temperature your seeds should start germinating within a few days.



Or in eggshells....

1. Save your eggshells and give them a rinse.
2. You could decorate your eggshells with permanent markers. Have fun with that!
3. Fill your eggshells with seed raising mix and pop them in the egg carton.
4. Place a variety of lettuce seeds and herbs, etc into the soil in the shells.
5. Using icy pole sticks and sticky notes, write the names of your seeds.
6. Spray well to moisten the soil with a spray bottle.
7. Place in a warm position and spray every day until your seeds have germinated.
8. Mind not to wet the seeds too much. Depending on the temperature your seeds should start germinating within a few days. So exciting!



Grow your own food! Have fun! Recycle! Enjoy your salad bowl!