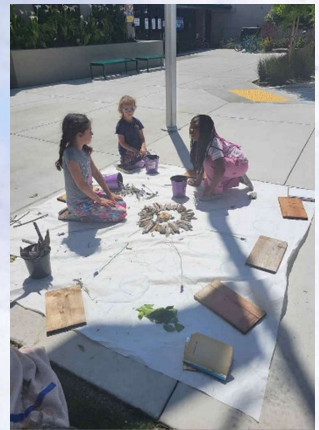
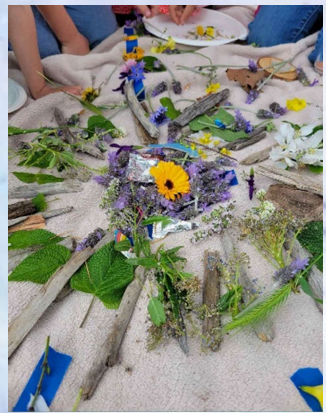


Roosevelt Dad's Ace Club, San Leandro

1st Place Elementary Mixed Media

Our 4Rs: Rethink, Reuse, Remulch, Rejuvenate



Our (Re)Generation Action Story:

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We also Reuse rather than buy or consume and take from the earth to help our earth and save nature rather than waste it. We didn't buy one thing for our piece of art. Many times we think "I have to go to the store and buy art supplies", but art supplies can be found right here in our garden and nature. Art can use anything in nature.

Our club harvested beautiful items from the garden and collaboratively arranged them into a mandala. And unlike some of our art projects, we can Rot them and compost our mandala. We also Remulch the earth. You will see mulch used throughout our mandala. We Remulch to keep the world less warm and cool as it cools our soil- it also gives our soil and plants nutrition and we Reuse the trunks of the trees to Rejuvenate the Soil.