Celebrate the International Year of Biodiversity by
Increasing

Awareness of Marine Biodiversity among Primary School Children

In East Lombok - Indonesia

Photos Presentation





Laut Sahabat Kita (The Sea is our best friend)



This was one year school program involving 3 schools, one in West Lombok Regency and two in East Lombok Regency. They were from year 4 to 6.

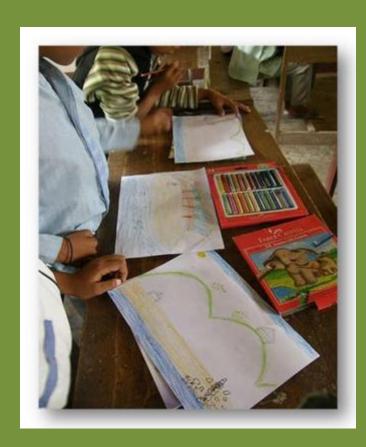
They learn about seagrass bed, mangrove forest and coral reef.

The main objective is to increase children understanding and able to take action to protect the marine environment

What	they	know	about	marine	environment	?

Drawing time

After drawing, children explain their drawing



Students were asking to draw about their environment. This activity has purpose to show what they know and their experiences in the environment





Classroom Activities



Children were center of the activities.
We encourage them to talk so they can share their own opinion

Learning to identify seagrass species





Children have to match the right pictures and its explanation

Geography challenge



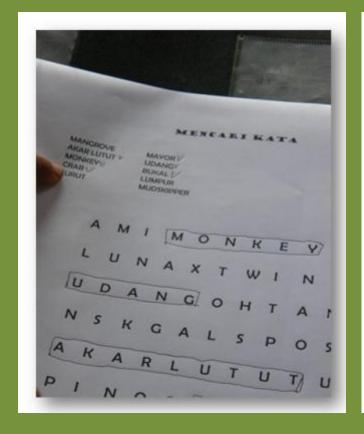
Children were tracking the turtle journey. They have to know the map to be able to track the turtle journey.

Mangrove



Children learning about mangrove trees, the type of roots and the fruits shape

Mangrove Quiz and game





Words finding mangrove root

Children compete to form

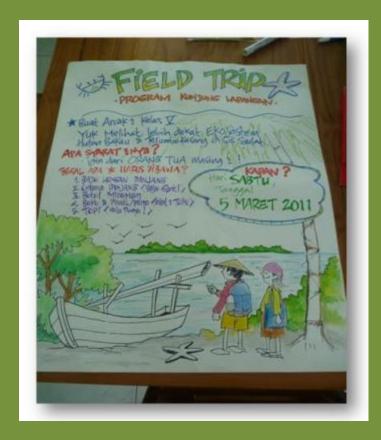
Origami

Origami is a traditional art of paper folding from Japan. These skills combine right and left brain which is good for the children development. It also develops behaviour and social skills.

We use origami to introduce some sea animals.



Excursion



The main purpose of excursion is give children hands-on experiences and learning outside the classroom.

Research showed that these activities will enhance and improve children understanding the process involved.

Safety procedures





This is important to know that children understand the safety procedure before snorkeling

Buddy system



Children should snorkeling in pairs. In case one has got a trouble, their friend can help.

Seagrass identitification



Children learn how to identify seagrass they found in shallow water

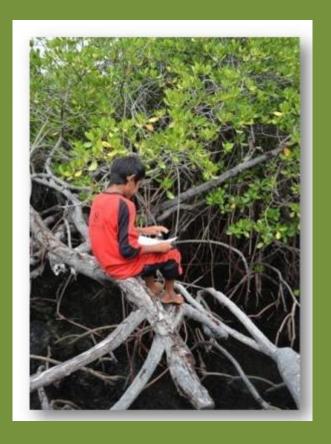
Gili Sulat (Gili means small island)



Gili Sulat is a mangrove forest island. It takes 15 minutes by boat to reach the island. We are visit this place to learn about seagrass, mangrove forests and coral reefs

Observing and writing a report





Wall Magazine



The idea was children who joined excursion share their experiences among their friends

Kids Conference



This event gathered 3 schools which joined the program to share their experience and make connection between teachers and discuss to continue the program in their school.

The activities



Children playing games, sharing experiences, planting mangrove trees, watching movie

Discussion, presentation, Watching movie and singing







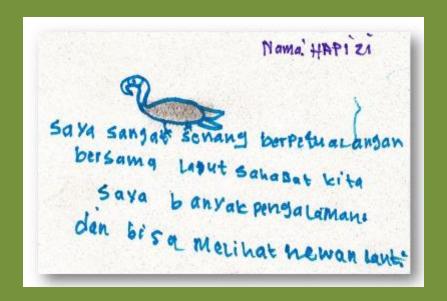


Planting mangrove tree



Tree for our future

What they said...



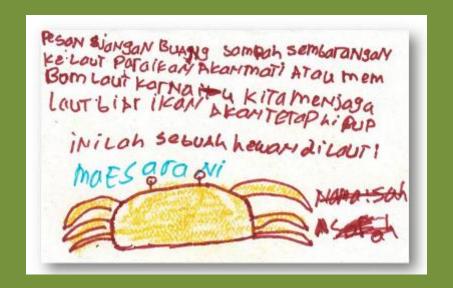
1 am very happy that 1 can join the adventure of "The Sea is Our Bestfriend". 1 got a lot of experiences and 1 was able to saw many marine animals (Hafizi, Year 5)

What they said ...



Hope all of my friends, parents and teachers are aware the importance of the sea for our next generation (Ita, Year 6)

What they said ...



Don't throw rubbish everywhere and bomb the the sea, the fishes will die. We have to look after the sea so fishes still alive (Maesarani, Year 5)

Thank you

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