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# Water is everyone's concern

**B**ecause our land and water are being strained like never before by pollutants, climate change and population growth, it's more important than ever to teach children to be respectful of the environment. We also need to let children know that they can make a difference and that there is something each one of us can do to help conserve our planet at home and elsewhere. With this motive the PDEA English Medium School conducted 'Aquatic Week' from April 19 to 23 for students of class one.

**Learning objectives:** To learn through discussion and observation, about the importance of water; the many different ways we use it, how it gets wasted and measures we can take to save it.

The first day began with the 'Importance and the schedule of the Aquatic week' explained by the class teacher. The topic given to the students for the first day was 'Aquarium Drawing'. The students drew a variety of pictures of aquariums. It was an amazing picture drawing activity.

All kids need to develop empathy, and a visit to the local aquarium can be the key to unlock their inner compassion for the environment. Most aquariums are diligent about teaching water conservation to kids. Due to covid-19 a visit was not possible, so students were asked to make aquarium models to show them how every animal de-



PDEA Aquatic Week activity for class I

pends on an abundance of clean water. Students made beautiful and attractive models of the aquarium with old boxes, shoe boxes, colour papers and crayons. This was the second day.

Storytelling and singing is a universal and traditional art form that features strongly in Indian culture and is an effective communication tool. The third day students narrated stories with creative gestures and

expressions and sang beautiful songs related to water.

The fourth day students participated in poster-making and slogan-writing activities. The main purpose of this activity was to create awareness among the students regarding water conservation and its benefits as well as to engross the hidden talents of students. The participants transformed their thoughts on canvas. They expressed their creativity through wonderful sketches, quotations, paintings and models. Students wrote slogans to spread messages like 'Save water', 'Save water, save life', 'Save every drop! Our world depends on it.'

With an awareness of ecosystems affected by home water usage, it's time to turn these lessons into Lifestyle changes. This requires some creativity but thankfully kids don't need to be told to let their imaginations run wild. To put that energy to work we conducted 'Water Conservation Activity' on the fifth day in virtual class. Students enacted a skit to show how we can save water while doing day to day life water related activities. These activities and conservation programs helped students to understand how daily household choices may ultimately affect the animals, birds and human beings. Principal Aruna Gulunjkar appreciated student's participation and activities.