



From Trash to Treasure... SSiS' Recycling Project

Over the past few weeks, the students at SSiS have been busily turning trash into treasure. Tasked with creating new products from recyclable items that were deemed rubbish, they came up with some great innovative ideas.

INSPIRATION... IMAGINATION... INVENTION!

The inspiration behind this project was the old adage 'One person's trash is another's treasure'. It enables students to learn about different methods of recycling, and encourages them to use their creativity to think about how they can repurpose items that might normally be thrown in the trash.

A SNEAK PEEK

Projects took shape in many forms throughout the last month. Here is a sneak peek at what classes were doing:

Primary 1A transformed 'Trash to treasure' by creating individual art pieces and inventive products out of trash. They include: wallets made out of used tetra packs, picture frames, a Japanese children's game (kendama), a fairytale/narrative box made out of a used shoe box, and other creative ideas.

Meanwhile, **Primary 1B** creatively applied the project brief to produce an impressive piece of installation art depicting their most important treasure: dreams, wishes and thoughts, encapsulated in the brain. They built a

big head out of trash and filled it with a lot of handcrafted items to represent their dreams and memories.

In **Primary 2**, students created hats in different sizes and shapes out of old newspaper, following a quick introduction to hats during which they collected different styles for different uses – such as a fireman's helmet, a policeman's cap, a cowboy hat and so on.

Primary 3 students designed puppets from recyclable items and then took it a step further to create puppet plays and stories starring their handcrafted creations!

In upper elementary, the **Primary 4** students put a fun spin on things by designing their own exciting games from reused items.

The **Primary 5** class started by researching about the professions associated with the recycling industry, and also studied the processes of recycling and their environmental impacts to date.

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Finally, in **Primary 6**, students undertook two different types of recyclable projects, where one half fashioned functional robots from recycled items and the other half resourcefully recycled used paper to make new handmade sheets of paper.

SHOW US!

Both the students and teachers have been hard at work putting the finishing touches on the projects. We are sure that everyone will enjoy the brilliant products that have been devised. As always, this first project will culminate in a primary-wide exhibition where the creations will be on full display for all to enjoy. Hope to see you there!

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