

## Junior Coral Detective

## **Floating Classrooms**

By popular demand, The Junior Coral Detective Programme which took place on 16th February was so well subscribed that a second session on 6th April was created.

Initiated by the Marina at Keppel Bay for their members' children to understand the importance of coral reefs, these Floating Classrooms took place on board Discovery Yacht The Admiral and were part of the International SeaKeepers Society Asia - Introduction to Marine Science and Conservation Asia Outreach Programme 2019.

Facilitated by marine biologist Sam SQ, the children spent a fun morning as Junior Coral Detectives to learn about Singapore's marine environment and the basic biology of corals. They were able to understand the major threats to coral reefs and discover what marine conservation efforts were happening in Singapore.

The definite highlights were the hands-on practice and activities on coral restoration; coral bleaching simulation to demonstrate the effects of coral bleaching and the walkabout for coral observations within the Marina at Keppel Bay, which is home to a kaleidoscope of coral reef life.

At the end, the children were more aware of the concepts, causes and impacts of urban development and climate change on Singapore's marine environment and how simple changes in their daily lives can positively impact the environment.

**Expedition Gallery** 

## Partner Site

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