



The importance of coral reef conservation

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Students from Nan Hua High School were given the opportunity to learn from a first-hand account of the coral conservation work done in Singapore. Invited guest speaker, Ms Sam Shu Qin, shared her experiences and work on coral conservation as a Research Assistant at the Tropical Marine Science Institute, (TMSI) National University of Singapore.

Aware of the global threats of pollution and climate change that coral reefs worldwide are facing, the Nan Hua High School students were fascinated to learn more of what is happening in Singapore and the presence of corals and the vast diversity of marine life.

The engaging topic on underwater marine debris was made more vivid with videos and photos shown from actual under water clean-up experiences. The students also had a lot of fun guessing the type of marine debris that were found in Singapore waters

Besides understanding the value of coral reefs as an eco-system in Singapore and the current actions that the marine community are taking to mitigate the threats to these coral reefs, the students were also informed of the bigger picture, on a recent declaration from the ASEAN region to tackle the marine debris issue together .

At the end, during the Q&A session, students were asking about how they could volunteer to help with the coral reefs in Singapore. From that, we can say – message well delivered and received!

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