Waste Wise Education Factsheet # 05

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(le chemin de l’avenir en wolof)

LOCATION: SENEGAL | SPAN: REGULAR ENGAGEMENT | TARGET AUDIENCE: SCHOOLS

OBJECTIVE:
To enable children to be actors in the self-protection of their rights and the protection of the environment, as well as to strengthen teachers’ knowledge and skills in early childhood care and education for sustainable development.

INITIATIVE SUMMARY (WHAT & HOW):
The programme provides teachers with practical content and activities related to education for Sustainable Development, utilising child-centred pedagogy that is inspired by the Montessori approach adapted to the local context. Accordingly, teachers inculcate practical lessons through various activities, for example, general knowledge session, week-long waste diagnosis, installation of waste bins accompanied by sorting training and workshops, and dumpsite visit. Additionally, the programme provides opportunities to cultivate vegetables using compost made at school.

Impact: Improved segregation, Waste reduction and recycling of school waste, Improved engagement in environmental activities.

Resources: School staff, External coordinator, Pedagogical materials currently being developed

Application: Scalable, Easy to replicate

5Rs/Other Keywords: Refuse, Reduce, Reuse or Repair, Recycle

Innovative Features

Student led activities
- Diagnostic of school waste generation
- Analysis of the diagnostic
- Implementation of bins for waste segregation
- Visit to dumpsites and landfills with photographic memories
- Creation of compost
- Creation of burlesque awareness show with clown, circus and acrobatic acts
- Cleanliness brigades designated to supervise waste segregation in classrooms and the schoolyard

Educational Features

- Alternative education blending Senegalese formal curriculum with teaching methods aiming at children personal development
- Child-centred pedagogy which enables children to be actors in environmental protection
- Training of teachers for improving pedagogical environmental practices

Useful link
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