Hong Kong Wetland Park School Education Programme Park Experience I: Aquatic Plant Watch

1. Target

S.1 to S.6 Students (participant number: 15-50)

2. Objectives



- Learn four groups of aquatic plants
- Understand the process of habitat succession
- Study the adaptive features of aquatic plants
- Understand the importance of aquatic plants to nature and humans



- List out basic features of four groups of aquatic plants
- Identify common aquatic plants around the park
- Use microscope to observe the structure of aquatic plants



- Enhance interest in nature exploration
- Appreciate the special structure of aquatic plants
- Understand the significant role of aquatic plants to the environment

3. Rundown

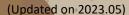
Itinerary		
Classroom Activity: Learn about aquatic plants		
Stream Walk*		
Life Zone*		
Wetlands at Work*		
Succession Walk*		

^{*} In case of inclement weather conditions, the outdoor fieldwork will be changed to indoor activities.









4. Activity Content

Content	Focal Points
Lecture and Experiment Duration: 50 minutes Introduction Specimen observation Exploratory study	 Four groups of aquatic plants Challenges for aquatic plants to grow and their corresponding adaptive features Closely observe the structure of aquatic plants by using scientific apparatus Study and record the adaptive features of aquatic plants
Field Study Duration: 50 minutes Stream Walk Life Zone Wetlands at Work Succession Walk Observe aquatic plants around the park Interpretation Record findings on worksheet	 Different types of wetland habitats Common aquatic plants living in stream, pond, paddy field and freshwater wetland Observe and identify four groups of aquatic plants The role of aquatic plants in nature The value of aquatic plants to humans
Group Discussion and Conclusion Duration: 20 minutes Sharing and presentation Discussion and conclusion	 Discuss the content of worksheets The function of aquatic plants Revision of the importance of aquatic plants, the threats they are facing and encourage students to conserve our wetland and treasure plants







5. Relevant Curriculum

Level	Science	Geography	
Secondary	Unit 2: Water	Section A: From Hong Kong to the world	
1 - 3	2.5 Water conservation and pollution	- variations in space, people and places	
		Using urban space wisely	
	Unit 3: Looking at Living Things		
	3.1 Living Things		
	3.2 Grouping of Living Things		
	3.3 Biodiversity		
	Unit 7: Living things and air		
	7.4 Gas exchange in plants and animals		
Level	Biology	Combined Science (Biology)	
Secondary	II. Genetics and evolution	II. Genetics and evolution	
4 - 6	c. Biodiversity and evolution	c. Biodiversity and evolution	
	III. Organisms and environment	III. Organisms and environment	
	a. Essential life processes in plants	a. Essential life processes in plants	
	f. Ecosystems	f. Ecosystems	
	VI. Applied ecology		
	a. Human impact on the environment b. Pollution control		
	c. Conservation		
	d. Global issues		
	Citizenship and Social Development	Geography	
	Module: Interconnectedness and	Module 2: Managing river and coastal	
	interdependence of the contemporary	environments	
	world		
60	Theme: Sustainable development	,·** ,·	
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