

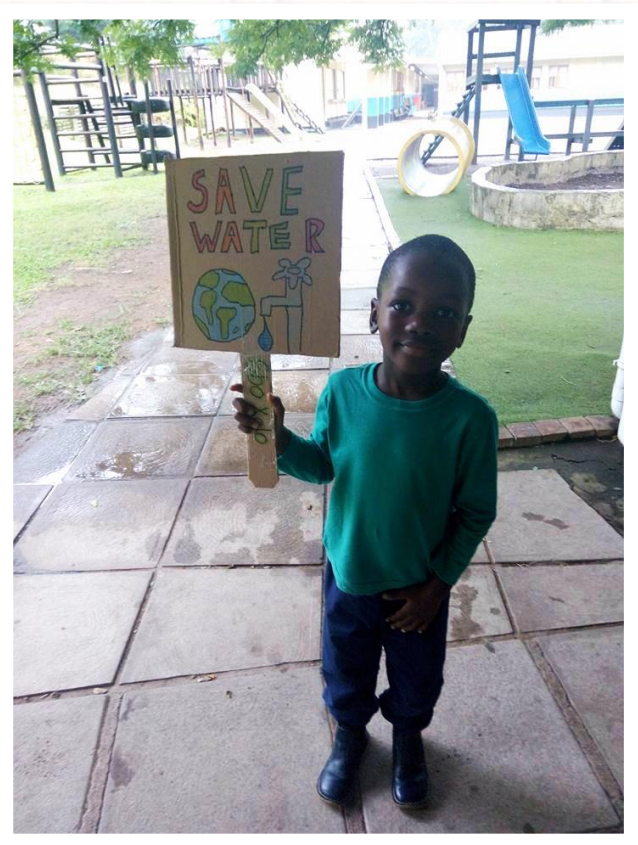


MAKING A SPLASH WITH WATER EXPLORER

WHAT IS THE WATER EXPLORER PROGRAMME?

Water Explorer is an online fun, inspiring and educational programme that empowers students to lead joint action on water issues. The international programme, supported by GAP UK and funded by HSBC, was started in 2014 and is now being implemented by 3,657 teams in 11 countries.

Water Explorer encourages students to take bold and powerful action to save our precious water through fun, interactive water saving missions. School teams are able to earn points as they complete a variety of water challenges which 'fill up' a virtual online reservoir. Through their efforts to manage their water more wisely they stand to win many appropriate prizes to assist them in achieving their water goals.



WHAT HAS THE IMPACT BEEN?

WE teams have been incredible in their water saving efforts – together, teams have saved an astonishing 7.5 million m3 of water – that's enough to fill 3,000 Olympic-sized swimming pools! Schools have shown amazing creativity in their water saving efforts, ranging from building water wise gardens, to identifying “secret water” in products, to building eco-bricks with sweet and chip wrappers - and their enthusiasm is contagious!

This year, Ebomvini Primary, from the KwaZulu-Natal South Coast, was selected to represent South Africa at the International Water Explorer event in London. They were the proud recipients of both the Innovation and Students' Choice awards – showing great innovation with limited resources. And, on their return to South Africa, the Ebomvini team was overwhelmed to hear their school had also won the International Youth Water Air and Food Awards, which recognises community inspired efforts to make a difference to water management globally.



HOW CAN MY SCHOOL PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMME?

For more information on WE programme, you can visit the dedicated website (<https://www.waterexplorer.org/south-africa>) and Facebook page (@ Water Explorer South Africa), or email waterexplorer@projectafrica.com.

Water is our most precious resource and should be **everyone's** responsibility.

Be on the lookout for ways that you can save water on a daily basis!

