

# ECOSCHOOLS IN LATVIA

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- THE ECOSCHOOL PROGRAM IS MANAGED WORLDWIDE BY THE UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION FOUNDATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (FEE INTERNATIONAL), A NON-PROFIT NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN 1987 IN LEIDEN, THE NETCOORDINATED AND SUCCESSFUL LONG-TERM WORK WITH ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ISSUES IN SCHOOLS.HERLANDS.
- THE PROGRAM DOES NOT COMPETE WITH OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION INITIATIVES, BUT CREATES A FRAMEWORK FOR

### ECO-SCHOOL PROGRAM IN LATVIA

- THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FUND HAS BEEN REALIZED FEE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS IN LATVIA SINCE 1998, AND IN 2002, THE ECO-SCHOOLS PROGRAM WAS STARTED
- CURRENTLY, MORE THAN 200 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS WORKS IN LATVIA - FROM PRESCHOOLS TO UNIVERSITIES. IN 2021, 104 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS RECEIVED THE INTERNATIONAL GREEN FLAG AWARD IN LATVIA, INCLUDING TWO INSTITUTIONS THAT ALSO RECEIVED AMBASSADOR STATUS.

### INTEGRATION OF THE ECO-SCHOOL PROGRAM IN THE LEARNING PROCESS:

- CREATES AN ECO COUNCIL;
- CONDUCTS AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT;
- CREATES AN ACTION PLAN;
- PROVIDES SUPERVISION AND ESTIMATION;
- CREATES A CONNECTION WITH THE LEARNING PROCESS;
- PRESCHOOL/SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.

#### ECO-SCHOOL TOPICS

- ENERGY
- GARBAGE
- FOOD
- WATER
- TRANSPORT

- SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND
  SURROUNDINGS
- FOREST
- ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLE
- CLIMATE CHANGES
- BIOLOGICAL MULTIPLICITY

# WHY SHOULD THE ECO-SCHOOL PROGRAM BE INTEGRATED INTO THE EDUCATION PROCESS?

- TO CREATE AWARENESS ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT AND RELATED PROBLEMS;
- TO DEVELOP THE SKILLS AND ABILITIES NECESSARY FOR SOLVING ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROBLEMS;
- SO THAT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE GAIN THE ABILITY AND MOTIVATION TO ACT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

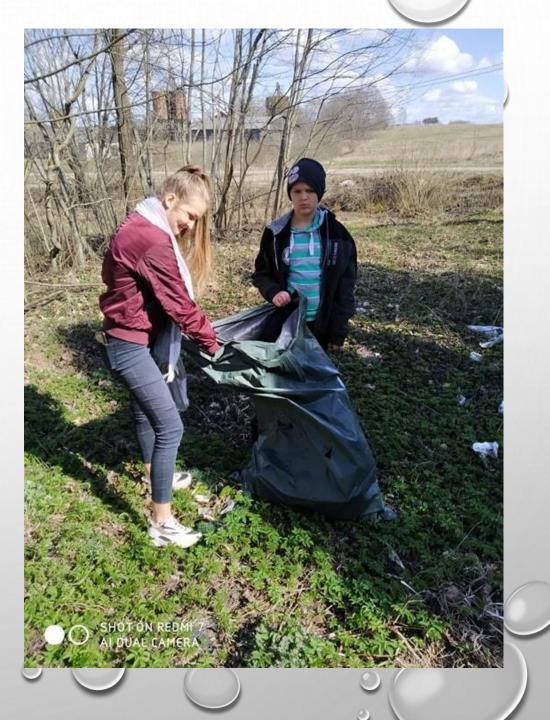
## CHOICE OF TOPICS

- THE CHOICE OF THE YEARS THEME IS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT – THE THEME IN WHICH THE SCHOOL NEEDS THE MOST IMPROVEMENT IS CHOSEN.
- BASIC TOPICS (WASTE, WATER, ENERGY, TRANSPORT, FOOD) ARE PRIORITIZED AND SELECTED FIRST.

### **PRACTICAL ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOLS**

- THE WORLD'S LARGEST LESSON "HELP THE CLIMATE!";
  - SURVEY OF WATER SUPPLY AND INTAKE POINTS IN THE SCHOOL.
  - DAYS OF ACTION "THE RIGHT TIME TO START..."
  - OBSERVATION "WHERE DOES THE SCHOOL SPEND WATER? "
  - STUDY "WHAT HOUSEHOLD CHEMISTRY IS USED IN MY SCHOOL?"
  - DISCUSSION "WATER CONSUMPTION CAUSED BY FOOD WASTE";
  - EXCURSION TO DAUGAVPILS WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS.
  - PROJECT WEEK "WATER"
  - CREATIVE WORKSHOP "KITCHEN TOWELS FROM OLD CLOTHES, TABLECLOTHS, TOWELS".





# INFORMATION RESOURCES

- HTTPS://WWW.ECOSCHOOLS.GLOBAL/
- <u>HTTPS://EKOSKOLAS.LV/</u>
- <u>HTTPS://WWW.SASKANAS.LV/UPLOADS/PROJECTS/EKOSKOLA/RICIBAS\_PLANS\_2022.PDF</u>
- PHOTOS:
  - <u>HTTPS://WWW.ZELTRITI.LV/MACIBAS/EKOSKOLA/ZINAS/ITEM/324-EKOSKOLU-RICIBAS-DIENAS-</u>
    <u>2019</u>
  - <u>HTTPS://WWW.DAUG12VSK.LV/SKOL%C4%93NU\_AKTIVIT%C4%81TES\_EKOSKOLU\_PROJEKT%C</u>
    <u>4%81\_APRITES\_EKONOMIKAS\_VEICIN%C4%81%C5%A1ANAI\_E-SPACE\_1\_1551T.HTML</u>
  - <u>HTTPS://SVS.EDU.LV/TURPINAM-EKOSKOLAS-AKTIVITATES/</u>

