

Moreton Bay - Everybody's backyard - Year 1 Full Day program at NBEEC



Year 1 Nature Scientists will use their senses to **describe changes in their local environment and how different places meet the needs of living things.**



Along the Tabbil Ban Dhagun Mangrove Boardwalk, students will explore the **variety of external features** of the Grey Mangrove tree, crabs and fish and become aware that living things **live in different places where their needs are met.** Students will become habitat detectives exploring a range of habitats and searching for the elusive mighty Mangrove Mouse.



At the beach, students will create a catchment in the sand, adding replica mangrove trees at the mouth of the river to trap rubbish before it enters Moreton Bay. Students will use water from the bay to create rain to observe the catchment model in action. Sand moulding and labelling the external features of large marine creatures on the sand is always a favourite.

Throughout the day, students will **identify and describe the natural, managed and constructed features of places at a local scale.** They will also consider the differences between healthy and unhealthy habitats.



At the end of the day, **students will reflect on their learning to suggest ways that places can be cared for.** Centre staff put on a play based around two characters: one living in a healthy habitat and the other in an unhealthy habitat. Students take great delight in telling 'Shazza' how **to care for** his backyard.



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