



## **Ideas for Classroom Activities - 2006**

<b>Learning Area</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Level</b>
Art/Drama	Under the Sea	Create puppets and artworks to turn your classroom into the ocean. Live life as a fish!	Junior
Art	Postcards	Design, create and send postcards based on marine issues	All
Science	Ecosystems	Draw a giant shoreline plan on the wall. Divide into small groups Each group researches one ecosystem or species eg estuary, deep sea, rocky shore. Stick research project in correct location on wall	All
Science	Food chains	“Who eats Who?” activity according to age and level	All
Science/Social Studies	Habitats	“Who Lives Where?” Small group studies into species and habitats and the issues affecting them, eg bottom trawling, overfishing. Locate on giant map of New Zealand	All
Social Studies	Careers	Observe and research jobs related to marine life – biologists, divers, boaties, environmentalists	All
Science	Species	Investigate marine species from the tiny (snails, shrimp or anemones) to the immense (whales, giant squid, albatross)	All
Science	The Rocky Shore	Explore and investigate a local rocky shore	All

Science/Social Studies	Adopt a Beach	Adopt a beach – create an action plan for protecting the beach and carry out beach clean up days	All
Science/Social Studies	The Water Cycle	Investigate what ends up in the sea. Chalk the drains – “straight to the sea”	All
Art/Social Studies	Protect the Oceans	Design and create posters and murals themed on protecting the ocean	All
Social Studies	Human Impact	Discuss/research human impact issues that affect the coastal environment	Senior
Language	Debating the Issues	Hold classroom debates on topics surrounding coastal and environmental issues – fishing quotas, recreation activities, coastal building developments etc	Senior
English/Media Studies	Protecting the Oceans	Develop and create a drama, documentary or animation about the oceans and the issues facing them	Senior