

NT Newsletter

An Exciting Adventure –ACE Biosphere Programme Primary Students' Excursion to 1 Utama to explore Wise for Food, Recycling Centre, and Secret Garden.

Education is not just confined to the four walls of a classroom. It's about exploring the world, learning from experiences, and broadening horizons. In an era marked by growing environmental concerns, it's vital to instill the values of sustainability and responsible waste management in the hearts and minds of our future generation. Recognizing this, ACE Biosphere Primary students embarked on an inspiring excursion to 1 Utama Shopping Centre to learn about their **Waste Innovation for Sustainability and the Environment (WISE)** programme to transform food waste from 180 food and beverage (F&B) outlets into organic fertilizers. This initiative not only provided young learners with a firsthand look at sustainable practices but also empowered them to become responsible environmental stewards.



Objectives of the excursion:

- to introduce the concept of sustainability and its significance in addressing the pressing issue of food waste.
- to witness the food waste recycling process in action through the different stages of collecting, sorting, and converting food waste into valuable organic fertilizer.
- to see the benefits of converting waste into fertilizer as compared to throwing them into landfills where they emit harmful gasses such as methane, which is a potent greenhouse gas.

After visiting the WISE food waste to fertilizer project, the students also had a chance to visit the aquarium where they learned about the different species of freshwater fishes, the arboretum, where they learned about the different native Malaysian jungle trees, the recycling center, and also the 1 Utama rooftop Secret Garden.

This excursion was more than just an educational field trip; it was a journey towards lifelong sustainability. The experience left a lasting impact on these young minds, equipping them with the knowledge and motivation to make a positive change in the world.

As we nurture the next generation of environmentally conscious citizens, it's initiatives like these that sow the seeds of responsibility and encourage children to take an active role in protecting the planet. These students, now equipped with the understanding of sustainable practices, are poised to be the environmental stewards of the future, leading the way towards a greener and more sustainable world.



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