

May 2025

# General Brock Elementary Newsletter

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*With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.*

Dear Brock Community,

## Earthquake Drill

On Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM all VSB schools will be participating in our district earthquake drill and reunification drill. We invite parents of Divisions 8 and 9 who were able to participate in our Reunification Drill. The Reunification Drill helps us prepare for the job of reuniting you with your child(ren) after a disaster occurs that renders our building unsafe. When parents arrive on school grounds they are directed toward our "Parent Check-in" table. This is where they show ID and are given a slip of paper. Then, they proceed to the "Student Release" table, present the slip and runners will retrieve your child. This system helps us keep track of your children and ensures they are released to a trusted adult. We hope we never have to actually use it!

## School Musical Update

The students performed four shows on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. A musical is not just written, composed, or directed—it is built, layer by layer, by an entire village of dreamers, makers, and storytellers who bring the impossible to life. These are skills that will benefit them for life. Thank you to all the families who have helped with wardrobe, line memorization, acting tips, props, costumes, music and more! Special shout outs go to Philippa (costumes), Meghan (videography) Erin (props) and David (guitar).

It was such an honour for me to work with your children and watch them show up each day, smiling and willing to work hard! It was a joy to see their confidence build and their showmanship develop. I was so very proud of the amazing final product they created together! (Especially after parent Mike T. helped figure out why our mics were not working properly! 😊)

Thank you to our great staff for all their support. Ms. Vincent and Mr. Cruz for their time and energy with auditions, practices and backstage management. David Young (parent), Mr. Thorn and Mr. Harvey for their top-notch musical skills. Ms. Surilla, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Thorn, Ms. Ubial, Mme. Utley, and Mr. Orange for help with costumes, props & accents.



Next PAC Meeting  
Wed, May 28th  
@ 6:30 pm  
In the Library



"Finding Joy -  
The Musical"  
Thank you for  
your support!!!



Friday, May 16

Ms. Ubial, Ms. Cramer, Ms. Donna, Ms. Jackson & Mr. Mitchell for helping with student supervision. Finally, Ms. Tassy, for all her help with almost everything - keeping me on track, paying bills, reminding students, tickets, admissions, marketing, the program and so much more.

### Sports Day

Please see the attached Sports Day letter for all the information on Sports Day – Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>! Hope to see you there!

### School Fees

School fees for 2025/2026 will remain much the same as this year. School fees are \$35, Agendas \$7. For some classes there may be an activity fee of up to \$50, workbook fee is moving up to \$40 and Grade 7 camp will cost approximately \$400.

### Parent Input Form

Sometime in late May or early June the staff will start to create a draft organization for our 2025/2026 school year. They work very hard to create balanced classes, while considering Ministry compliance, academic levels, ELL learners, social emotional needs, friendships and conflicts. If you wish to convey information that you think we may not know, please use the form attached to this email. This is a fillable form, so you can type right into it. Please ensure all yellow highlighted areas are completed. Then, email it to [hsterling@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:hsterling@vsb.bc.ca) or bring in a hard copy to the office. Thank you.

Warm Regards,  
Hope Sterling, Principal

#### May Dates to Remember

Thursday, May 1	1 & 7pm School Musical
Friday, May 2	7pm School Musical
Thursday, May 8	Earthquake Drill
Friday, May 16	Sports Day
Monday, May 19	Victoria Day – School Closed
Thursday, May 22	Welcome to Kindergarten
Thursday, May 23	Kerrisdale Play Palace
May 29 – 31	Grade 7 Camp

**Other Important Upcoming Dates**

Tuesday, June 24  
Thursday, June 26

Grade 7 Farewell Ceremony  
Last Day for Students

A promotional poster for Vancouver School Board's Summer Learning 2025 program. The poster features a large, stylized sun graphic in the background with a gradient from blue to orange. In the foreground, two young girls are walking away from the camera on a paved path. The girl on the left is wearing a pink shirt, a purple skirt, and a large yellow backpack. The girl on the right is wearing a blue shirt and blue pants, also with a backpack. The text 'VSB Vancouver School Board' is in the top left. 'SUMMER LEARNING 2025' is in large white letters. At the bottom, there is a QR code and registration information for elementary and secondary programs.

**VSB** Vancouver School Board

# SUMMER LEARNING 2025

[summerreg.vsb.bc.ca](https://summerreg.vsb.bc.ca)



**ELEMENTARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION**  
Begins April 23, 2025 at noon

**SECONDARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION**  
Begins April 30, 2025 at noon



## Finding Joy, The Musical!





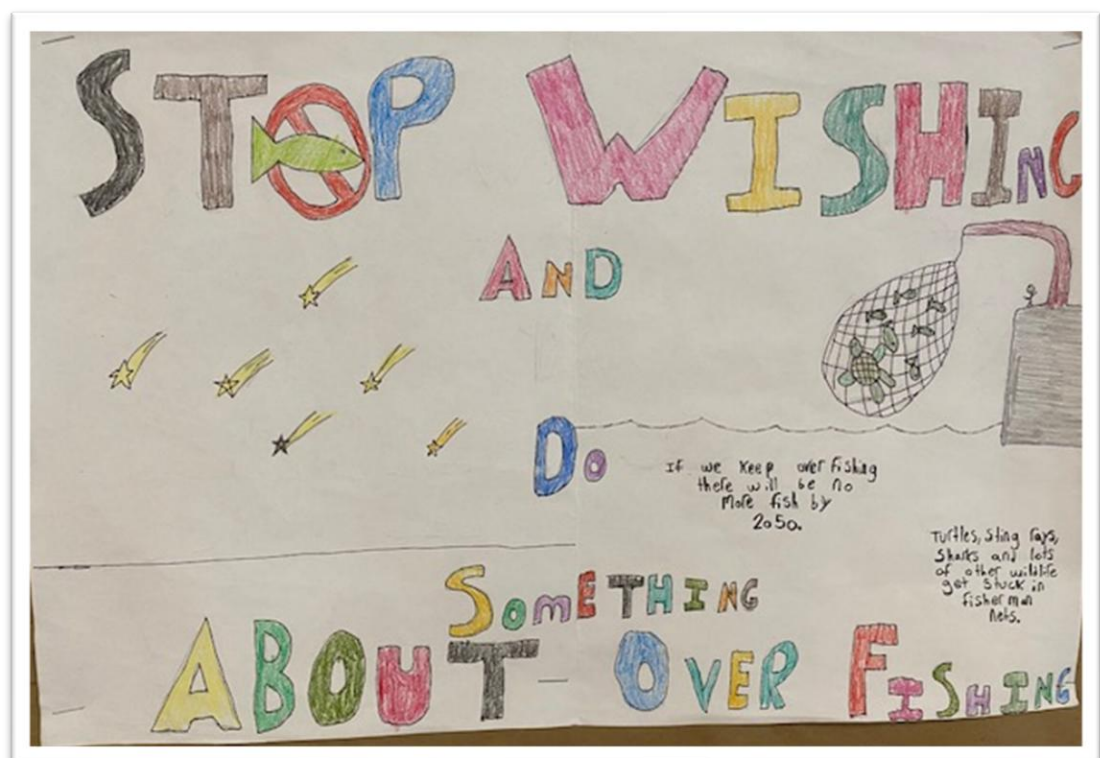
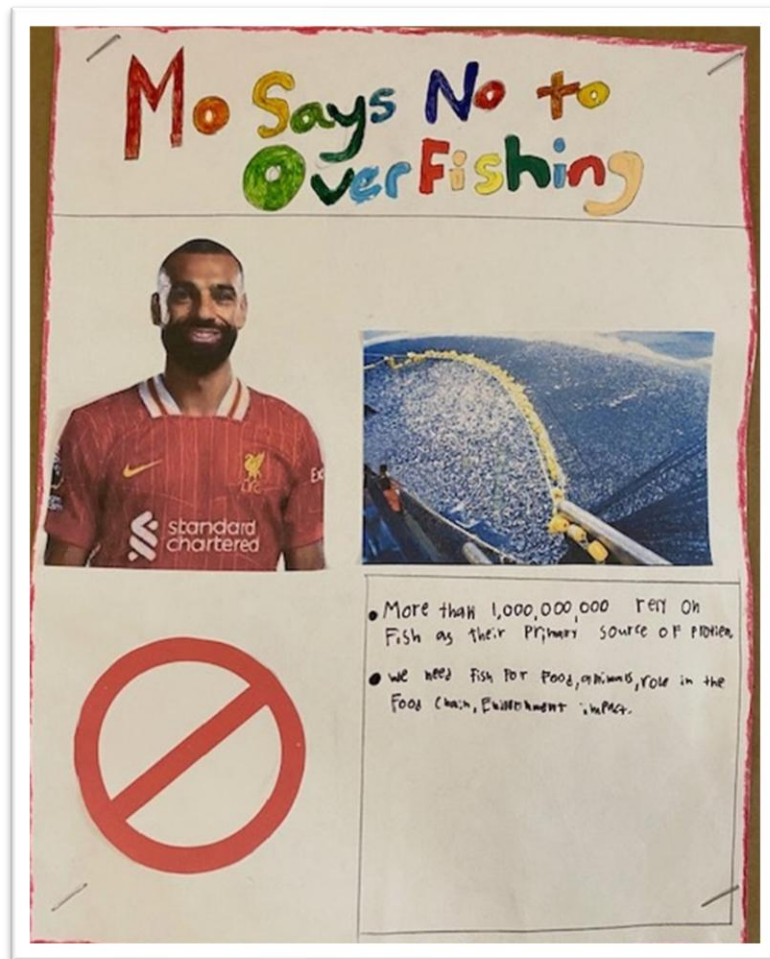




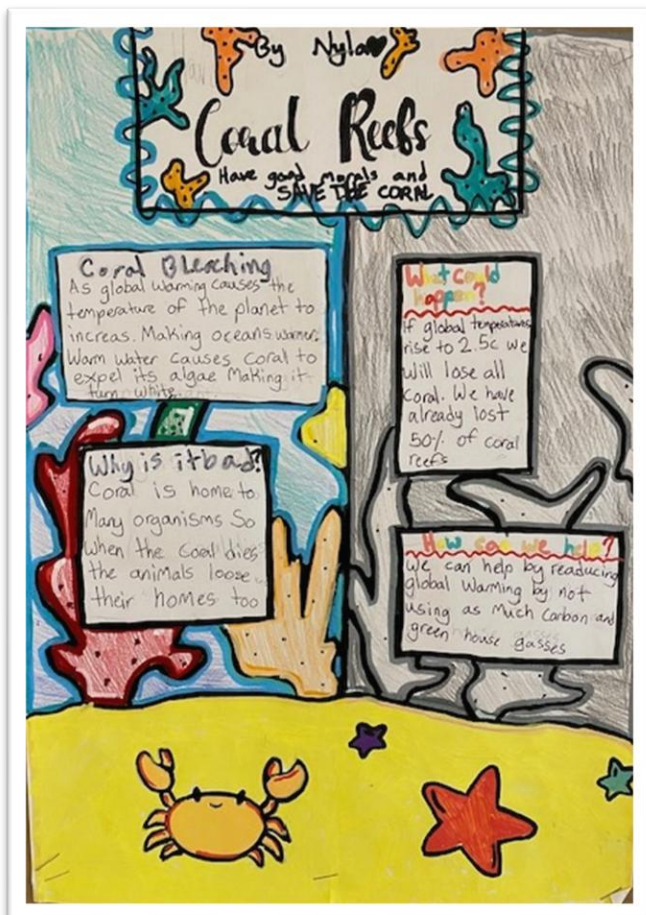
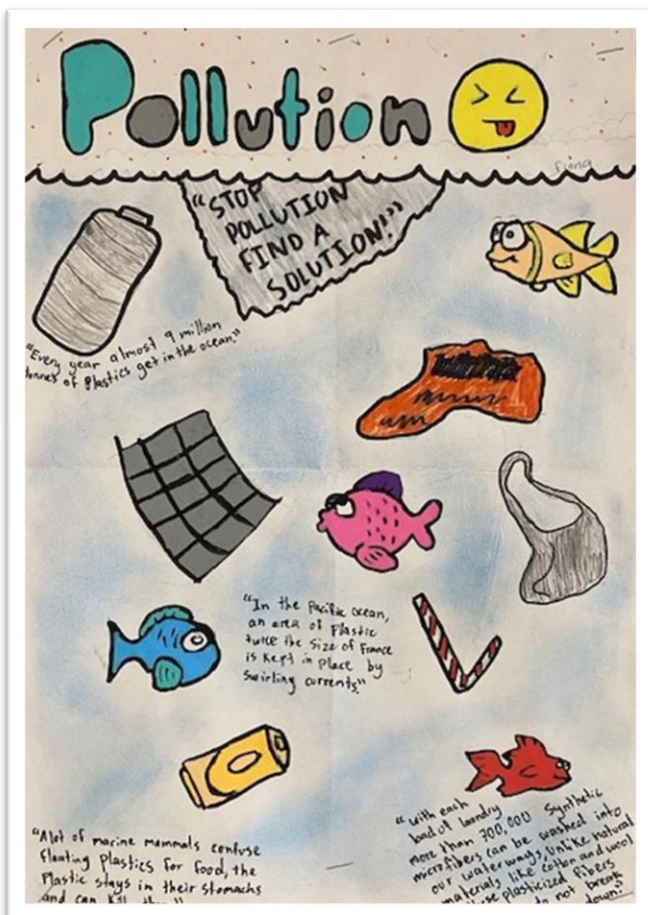
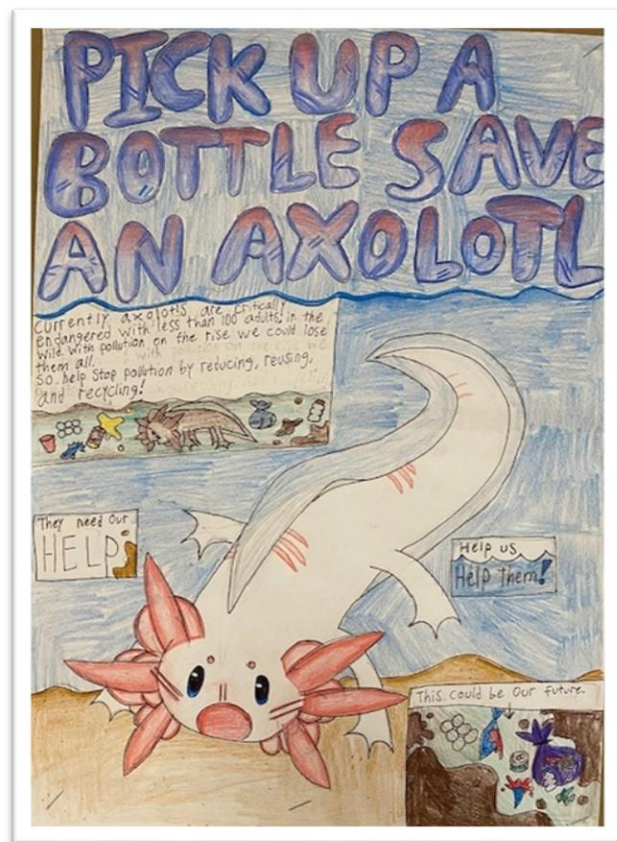


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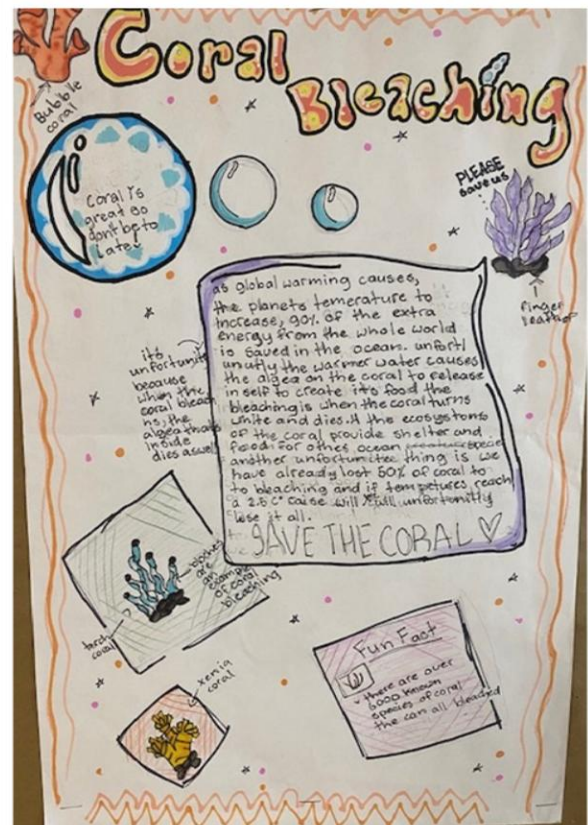
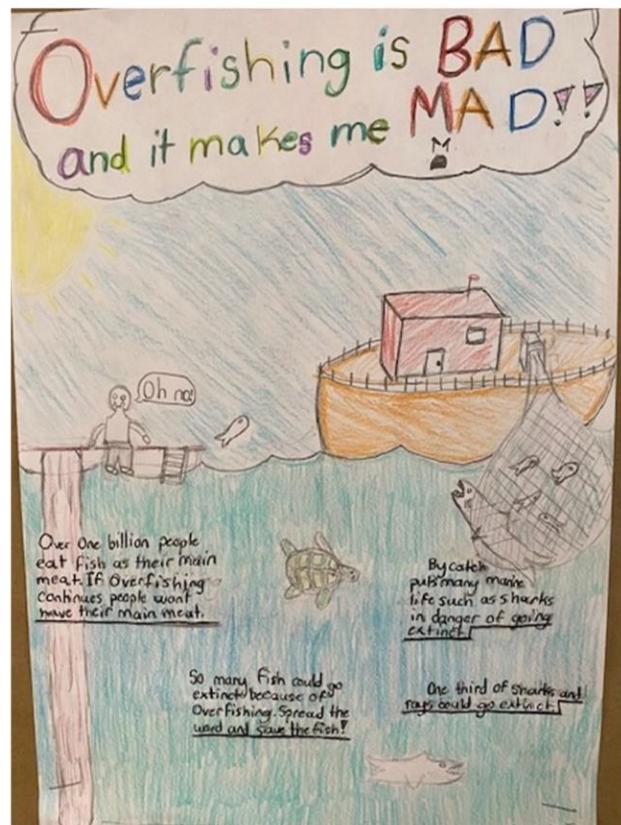
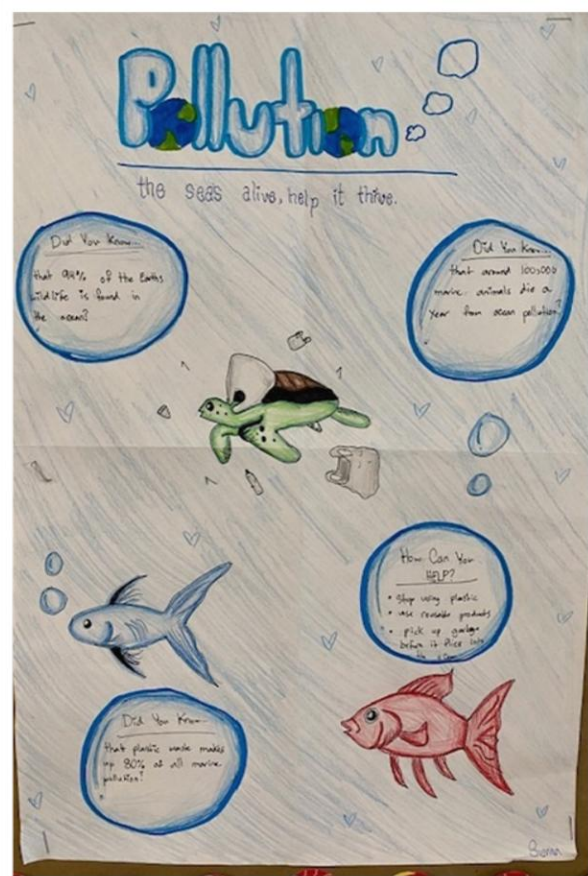
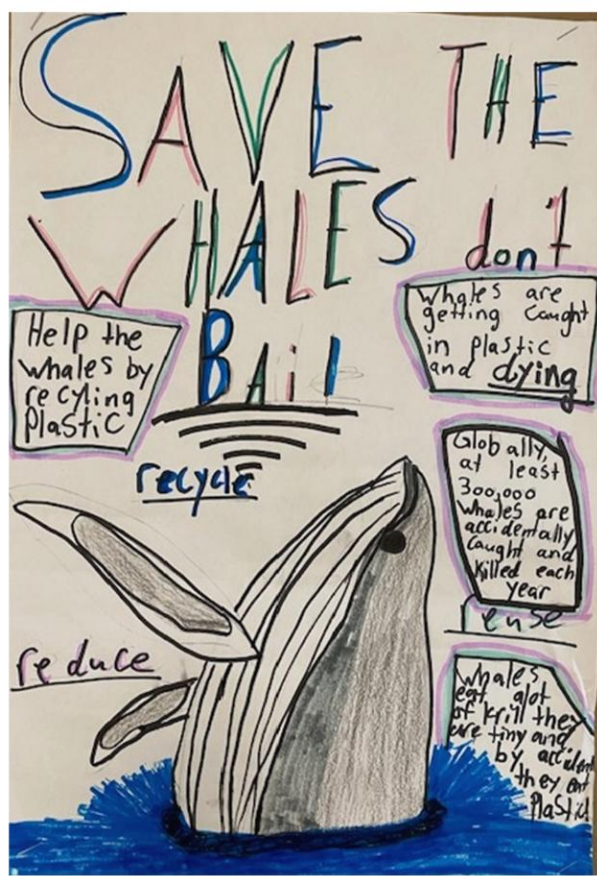
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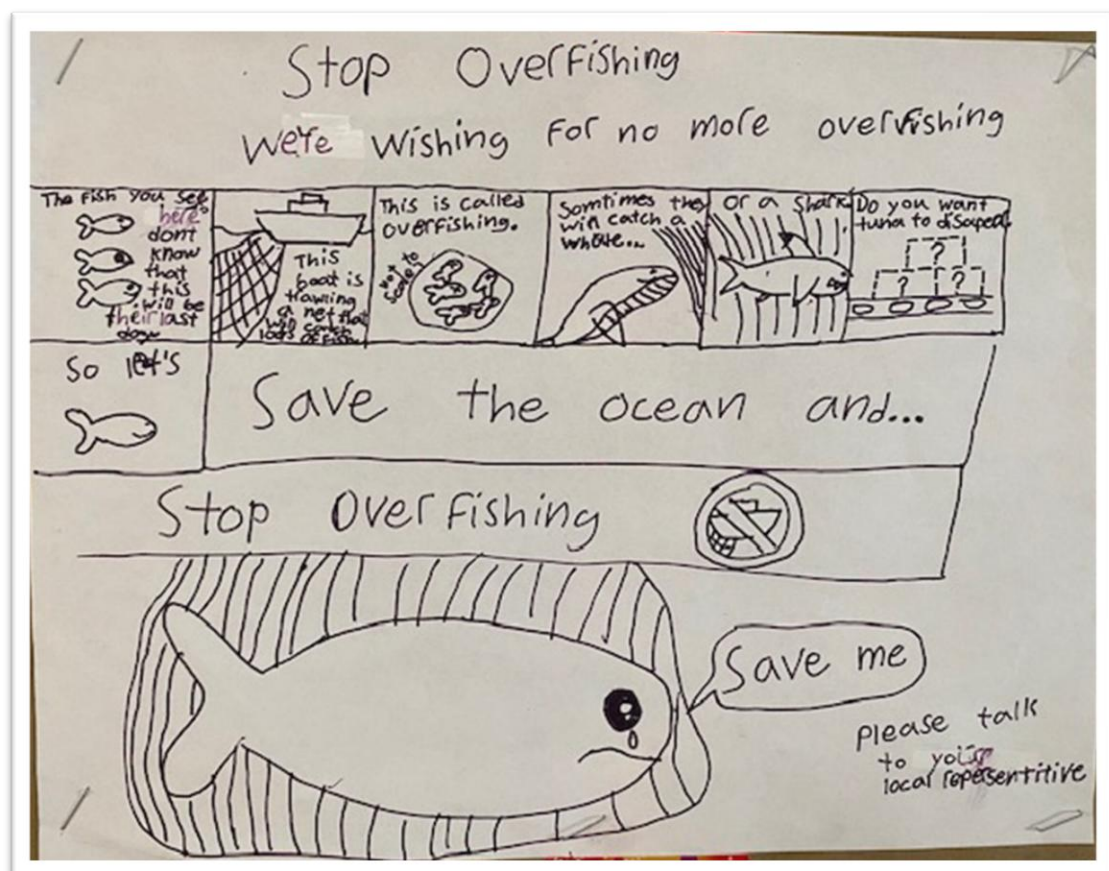














The beautiful Brock plates!



Thanks for your support!