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Drama Workshop – ECO Robi

40 pupils aged from 6 to 14 years old participated

30 hours spent in total

Time period: January 29th – March 25th 2015

Wishing to deepen the ecological awareness in children, while gaining the interest of pupils, I came up with two activities with 4th grade pupils (school year 2014/2015) that we performed in school and on the Festival of school plays "Pozor! Plivamo na sceni" (in March 2015), and all that within additional Croatian language classes.

First activity:

- Rejected boxes were collected and a robot was made out of them
- ➡ With the robot and a convenient proclamation (in the attachment) we visited every class, from 1st to 4th grade and encouraged other pupils to throw old PVC bags in the robot
- ♣ All the collected PVC bags were taken to a recycle yard

Second activity:

- The story about ECO Robi was written
- The play was written according to the template we came up with together (in the attachment)
- The play was rehearsed and the costumes were made
- ♣ The play was performed within the School Play Festival "Pozor! Plivamo na sceni" and in school on The Earth Day

Through the activities pupils were educated on the importance of waste separation and disposal and also how to act locally towards global education for the future.

| FUNDAMENTAL |
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| COMPETENCES |
| LEARNED BY |
| PUPILS |

- Communication in mother tongue
- Competence in learning learning on specific situations
- Ecological and civil competence
- Initiative and entrepreneurship

AIM OF ACTIVITIES

• raise awareness among pupils to act responsibly towards the environment

EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES

- to understand the importance of a healthy environment in ensuring the wellbeing of individuals and the community we live in
- to understand the importance of waste management in order to ensure better environmental future of our planet

Petra, 4th grade pupil

"While making Eco Robi and performing the play, we learned that it is important to take care of the environment in order to live better. We also learned why it is important to separate waste and what can be done from recycled waste. While doing all that we also had fun."

ATTACHMENT

Eco Robi

Rejected robot is standing on a meadow. Children arrive on the scene and talk.

ANAMARIJA: We don't have homework today. We have time to play.

ROBI: Ouuuuch!

EMA: What did you say?

PETRA B.: Nothing.

ROBI: Ouuuuuch!

PETRA B.: Who is moaning?

PETRA Š.: It is coming from that old bin! I will go and see what is that.

ANAMARIJA: Don't, it must be something dangerous!

PETRA Š.: Come on, maybe someone needs help.

EMA: Come, we will go together and see.

Everybody carefully approaches the robot. Ema slowly taps a finger on it.

EMA: Is somebody in there?

ROBI: Ouuuch! Be careful! (He starts to slowly come out of the box)

ANAMARIJA: I told you it was dangerous!

PETRA B.: Who are you?

ROBI: I am Robi, home robot type 2005.

ANAMARIJA: What are you doing here on a meadow?

ROBI: I am mourning! My owner left me here because of my slow processor. I

am programmed to be useful and now I've been rusting on this meadow

for days. I am old and I don't have a purpose anymore.

EMA: That is silly, everybody has a purpose.

ROBI: I used to have it. I helped my owner, I was cleaning the apartment, ironing

and cooking. Now I am just a waste. I've served my time.

EMA: I'm sure that you can be useful, even with an old processor.

PETRA Š.: That's right, we will come up with something.

They gathered in a circle and brainstormed. The robot is still sadly sighing.

PETRA B.: Girls, do you have an idea?

EMA: We can transform him into Eco Robi. A modern waste bin. This meadow is

anyway full of litter of candy and chips.

ANAMARIJA: That is a great idea! Let's go to work!

The children surround him.

ROBI: What did you come up with?

PETRA Š.: You'll see, just be patient.

The children write eco messages and hang them on him.

ROBI: Hi! Hi! You're tickling me!

EMA: Just a little bit more, and it's done!

PETRA B.: From now on you are Eco Robi. Instead of rusting on this meadow you will

become a cool waste bin. We will come and make you company and also

empty you.

ROBI: It might work! Let's try.

PETRA S: First of all we will collect the waste from this meadow.

They pick up small papers and put them in Robi.

ANAMARIJA: We will go now, we'll see you later.

ROBI: Bye girls! Thank you.

EVERYONE: Bye Robi!

The children leave. Boys are coming to the meadow with a ball. They are eating candy

and throw the papers inside Robi.

DOMINIK: Did you watch the game last night?

TOMA: No, I was at practice. How did it go?

DOMINIK: Messi scored in the last minute.... Hey, look, a new bin. It's so cool!

TOMA: It must be the newest model. I wish they installed bins like this all over the

city.

The boys leave.

ROBI: It is wonderful to have a purpose, even with an old processor!

EKO proglas

Čujte i počujte, daje se na znanje, u prirodi loše je stanje!

Štednjaci stari iz potoka vire, sa livada smradovi smeća se šire!

Prljave vode u rijeke se ulijevaju, ptičice šarene sve manje pjevaju.

Naše plavo more sve manje se plavi, stara guma je dupinu na glavi.

Smeće nas guši kao strašni zmaj, vidi li se tome kraj?

Sva djeca se moraju prenuti i u akciju zajedno krenuti.

Zato i ti budi spreman, uništiti groznu neman.

U našega Robija staru vrećicu odloži, jer se u prirodi tek za 100 godina razloži.

Budite i vi ekipa naša pozdrav od Robija i četvrtaša!



