

The National Weather Study Project has absolutely been an awesome as well as enriching one for us! Not only did it serve as a platform for us students to know more about the impact of the Urban Heat Island (UHI) effect, it also helped raise awareness of how plants; skyscraper greening can help to counteract this problem. On the whole, the project has certainly alerted us on the environmental issues we are facing today impelled us to take the necessary actions to save our world before it is too late.

Embarking on the project has certainly been educational and exhilarating, not to mention the fun we had at Switzerland, which was part of our reward! We were amazed at how environmental friendly the Swiss were, as almost all the buildings were smart buildings. In addition, they even had recycling bins for batteries, scrap metal pieces and glass bottles, of which was further categorized into red, green and blue bottles! It was indeed an eye opener for us to witness Switzerland's active role in its bid to save the earth and their efforts and strong beliefs in creating a conducive environment for us to live in is definitely what we Singaporeans can learn from!

In Switzerland, we also visited 3 schools and presented our projects to them. We were able to interact with them and learn more about their culture, which was something special due to the language barrier. It was really amazing to see them so interested and fantasized by the local childhood games we played, which we gave as a gift. Also, we were given the opportunity to do some sightseeing and got to visit Jungfrauoch, the Top of Europe! It was freezing cold but the whole scenery was just breathtaking and magnificent!

Of course, all these would not have been complete without the company of fellow winners Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School (Primary) and Raffles Junior College. This is indeed a once in a lifetime experience which has definitely allowed us to gain first hand insight and much exposure of things happening around the world. Our hard work has paid off, in which we found unparalleled joy despite the many setbacks and difficulties we have met.

So we invite fellow participants of NWSP to make most of the opportunities given and share their knowledge to a wider audience! ☺



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