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FUVAHMULAH SHARK LAB

SCHOOL PROJECT

PRESENTED BY:
Pelagic Divers Fuvahmulah x Nature Friends of Maldives
x ElasmOcean

Join us on an underwater journey!

Our school project brings marine science and shark education directly to classrooms, with real samples, interactive sessions, and a chance to explore the ocean through Virtual Reality.





Our Aim

To inspire the next generation of ocean guardians through science, experience, and local connection, empowering Maldivian students to understand and protect the incredible life beneath their waves.

Objectives and Goals

We believe that education is the first step toward conservation. By bringing marine science directly into classrooms, we connect students with the ocean that surrounds their islands, helping them understand how important it is to protect it.

Through stories, real research, and hands-on learning, we aim to:

- Inspire curiosity about marine life and ecosystems.
- Empower young minds to care for sharks and the ocean.
- Build a bridge between local communities and science.



Who it’s for

Our School Project is designed for students of all age groups.

Each session is adjusted to the age and knowledge level of the class, making sure learning is fun, interactive, and easy to understand for everyone.

Younger students enjoy hands-on and creative activities, like drawing and ocean-themed crafts, while older students can also dive deeper into science, conservation, and real research stories from Fuvahmulah.



Topics

Marine Ecosystems & Fisheries

Understand how coral reefs, open oceans, and coastal habitats connect.
Learn about sustainable fishing and why balance in the ocean matters.
Explore how human activity affects marine life.

Shark Awareness

Discover what makes sharks such incredible predators.
Learn how they move, sense, hunt and communicate.
Explore real shark science with examples from Fuvahmulah.

VR Adventure

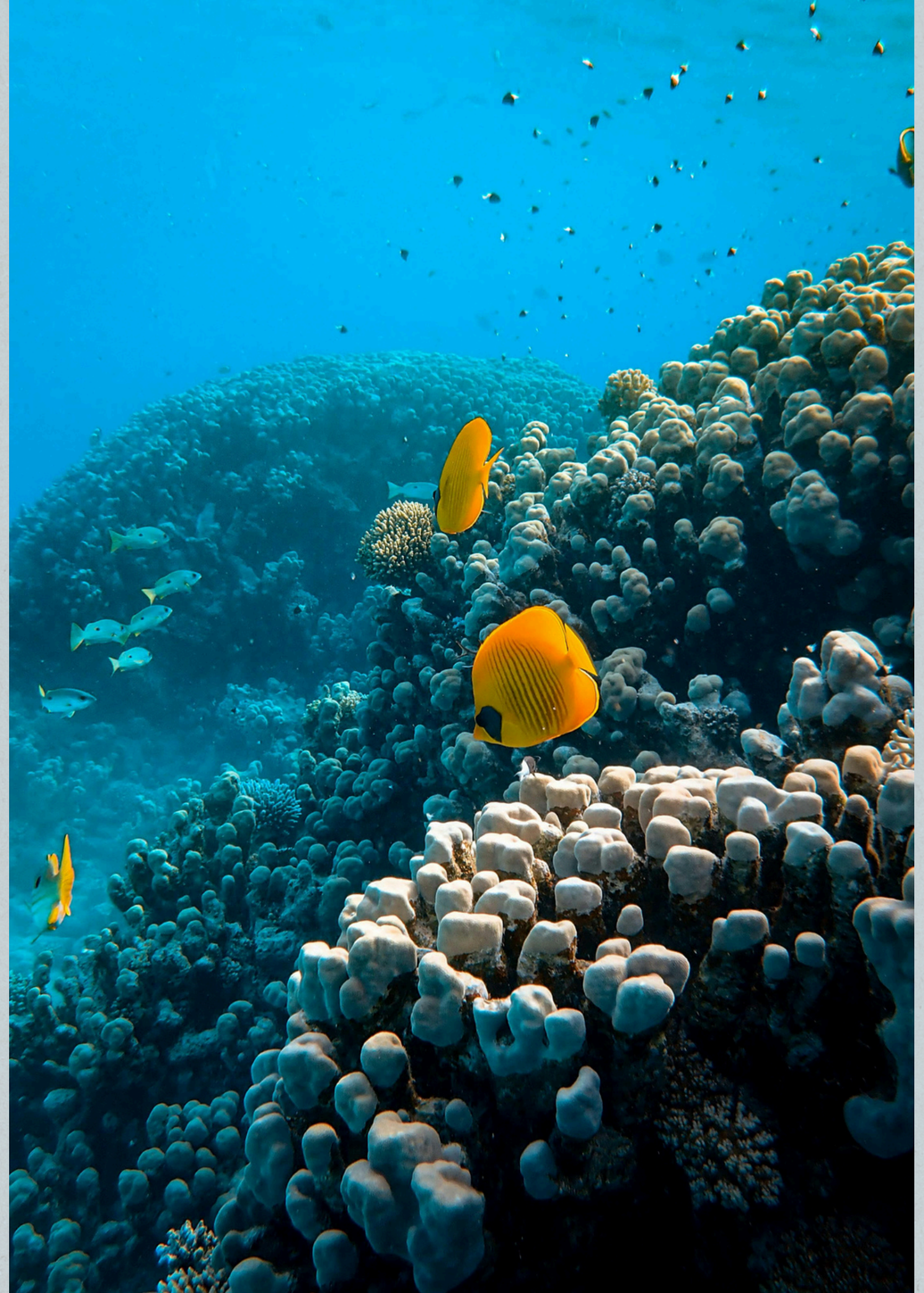
Learn about the island’s unique shark populations.
Dive down into the ocean surrounded by thresher sharks, tiger sharks and hammerheads, or snorkel above one of the world’s most beautiful coral reefs.



01 Introduce the marine food web and which animals feed on each other

02 Explain the marine ecosystem and how coral reefs are connected

03 Join an interactive crafting session to create your marine food web.



MARINE ECOSYSTEM

Talking about the marine food web, balance between marine animals and threats

Age group: 5-15 years old
Group Size: 10-20

01 Understand local fishing techniques and practices in Fuvahmulah, Maldives

02 Explore threats to sharks and other marine animal due to bycatch

03 Discuss the importance of sustainable fishing and ocean balance.



FISHERIES

Understand how fish is caught in diffferent places in the world

Age group: 5-18 years old
Group Size: 10-20

01 Learn about different shark species found in the Maldives.

02 Understand why sharks are important to healthy oceans

03 Take part in an interactive Q&A about shark biology.



SHARK AWARENESS

Discover the fascinating world of sharks around the Maldives.

Age group: 5-18 years old
Group Size: 20-30

01 Explore different shark jaws and teeth.

02 Learn how tooth shape shows feeding behaviour and diet.



JAWS

Interactive session unraveling the beauty of different shark jaws and teeth to understand their feeding and hunting patterns

Age group: 3-18 years old
Group Size: 10-20

01 Learn about shark research in Fuvahmulah

02 Understand photo-ID, laser-photogrammetry, and social behavior



SHARK SCIENCE

An one hour presentation explaining shark science in Fuvahmulah

Age group: 15-18 years old
Group Size: 10-20

01 Experience virtual reality dives with thresher, grey reef and tiger sharks

02 Feel what it’s like to swim among one of the worlds most beautiful coral reefs



VR ADVENTURE

Dive into the ocean, while staying completely dry!

Age group: 3-18 years old:
Group size: 5-10

Our Team



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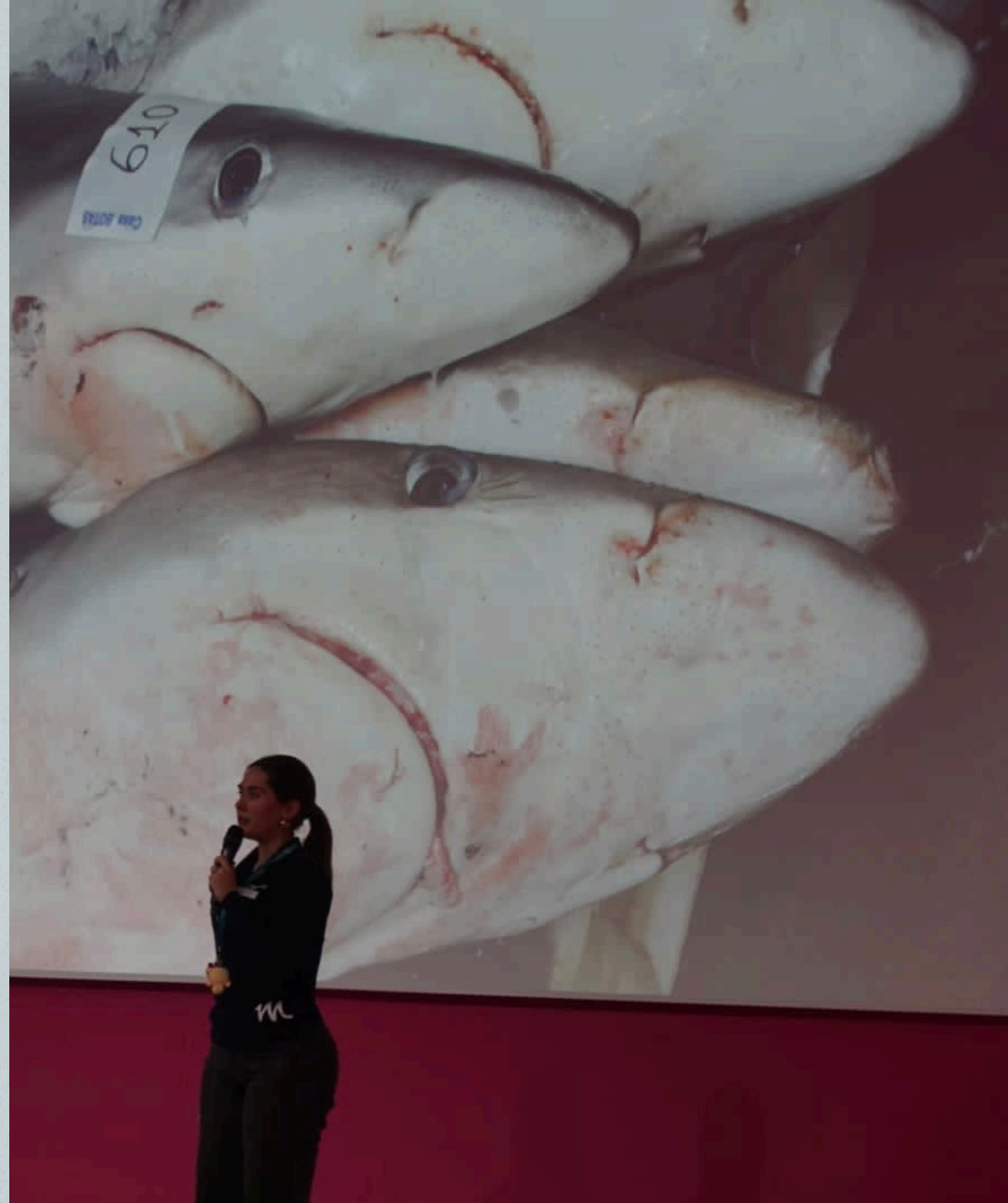
Dive Guide

Why?

“EVERY VISIT TO A SCHOOL REMINDS ME WHY WE DO THIS , TO INSPIRE CURIOSITY, RESPECT, AND LOVE FOR THE OCEAN IN THE NEXT GENERATION.

OUR PROGRAMME IS BUILT ON REAL SCIENCE AND YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN SHARK RESEARCH AND EDUCATION. SEEING HOW STUDENTS LIGHT UP WHEN THEY LEARN ABOUT SHARKS AND MARINE LIFE IS WHAT KEEPS US GOING.”

-LUCA ASSHAUER, PROJECT LEADER



Thank you

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Resource Page

ALL LEARNING MATERIALS ARE PROVIDED BY ELASMOCEAN, NATURE FRIENDS OF MALDIVES AND PELAGIC DIVERS FUVAHMULAH – INCLUDING EDUCATIONAL POSTERS, VISUAL SLIDES, SHARK JAWS AND TEETH, MEMORY CARDS, AND CRAFTING MATERIALS.

STUDENTS CAN DRAW, CREATE, AND INTERACT DURING THE SESSIONS, MAKING EACH CLASS AN EXCITING OCEAN EXPERIENCE!

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