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| **WATER STEWARDSHIP 6th Grade Unit 3 2016-2017 E Day** | | | |
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| Week 1: Wednesday 3/29 | AM: ELA Test  Enrichment  Species Profile/Oyster Reef | AM: ELA Test  Enrichment  Species Profile/Oyster Reef | AM: ELA Test  Enrichment  Species Profile/Oyster Reef |
| Week 2: Wednesday 4/5 | **Brooks Frederick: Art As Activism**  Lesson 1: Community Building Circle  Lesson 2: Intro to Water Stewardship | **Brooks Frederick: Art**  **As Activism**  Lesson 1: Community Building Circle  Lesson 2: Intro to Water Stewardship | **Brooks Frederick: Art As Activism**  Lesson 1: Community Building Circle  Lesson 2: Intro to Water Stewardship |
| Week 3: Friday 5/5 | OFFSITE: **SLOOP CLEARWATER SAIL**  Group A: 7:45 am -1:15 pm  Group B: 11:45 am – 5:15 pm  **Enrichment: Postcard Advocacy Project** | **OFFSITE: SLOOP CLEARWATER SAIL**  7:45 am -1:15 pm | **Lesson 3:** Project Action Plans  **OFFSITE:** **SLOOP CLEARWATER SAIL**  11:45 am -5:15 pm |
| Week 4: Monday 5/15 | Lesson 3: Project Action Plans  Lesson 4: Threats to NYC Waterways  Lesson 5: Billion Oyster Project | **OFFSITE: NYC ACTIVISM MCNY** | **OFFSITE: JAMAICA BAY WATER REFUGE** |
| Week 5: Tuesday 5/23 | **OFFSITE: JAMAICA BAY WATER REFUGE** | Lesson 3: Project Action Plans  Lesson 4: Threats to NYC Waterways  Lesson 5: Billion Oyster Project | **OFFSITE: NYC ACTIVISM MCNY** |
| Week 6: Thursday 6/1 | **OFFSITE: NYC ACTIVISM MCNY** | **OFFSITE: JAMAICA BAY WATER REFUGE** | **Enrichment: Postcard Advocacy Project**  Lesson 4: Threats to NYC Waterways  Lesson 5: Billion Oyster Project |
| Week 7:  Monday 6/12 | **OFFSITE: Water Stewardship:**  Lesson 6: Project Work and Conferencing | **OFFSITE: Water Stewardship**:  Lesson 6: Project Work and Conferencing | **OFFSITE: Water Stewardship**:  Lesson 6: Project Work and Conferencing |
| Week 8: Tuesday 6/13 | **Mini-Expo:** Activism Project Share Fair **OFFSITE: Water Stewardship** | **Mini-Expo:** Activism Project Share Fair  **OFFSITE: Water Stewardship** | **Mini-Expo:** Activism Project Share Fair  **OFFSITE: Water Stewardship** |
| Week 9: Wednesday 6/21 | **Expo: Governor's Island and Billion Oyster Project 9:30 am – 1:30 pm Bring a Bagged/Picnic Lunch** | | |

**Water Stewardship**

**6th Grade Unit 3 2016-2017**

**Essential Question: How can we work to protect and improve our NYC Waterways?**

Throughout this third 6th grade unit students will learn about the various threats to our NYC waterways. They will gain knowledge of New York City’s superior clean water supply and how to ensure justice and protect this right to clean water. Through our partnership with the Billion Oyster Project students will learn the positive effect oysters have in our NYC harbor and waterways. They will develop insight into action that can be taken to minimize threats to our waterways and continue to protect them into the future. They will grow in confidence of their own ability to be an advocate and participate in activism as a public responsibility and personal privilege. They complete their first year of Exploration with the implementation of their own Action Plans as Water Stewards and Social Activists.

**Project:**

**Action Plans:**

Students will brainstorm, design, and implement an action plan that addresses a need of our NYC waterways. These plans might take the form of fundraising and education, awareness and education through art, personal water usage change, policy advocacy, or volunteering.

Students will work on the implementation of their plan outside of the classroom, completing the plan and documenting its effect. Action plans will be presented at a Mini Share Fair on Tuesday, June 13.

**Postcard Advocacy:**

Through a partnership with *Postcard Educate* ( <http://postcard.com/educate> ) students will create postcards that encourage our community to appreciate and conserve water resources. Postcard Educate is a social action platform created specifically for classrooms at all grade levels. It is designed for teachers working to inspire students to become global citizens dedicated to making the world a better place through action. This is an in-class enrichment advocacy project.

**Trips and Speakers:**

* Brooks Frederick: Teaching Artist: Art as Activism
* Museum of the City of New York: NYC Activism Exhibit
* Sloop Clearwater Hudson River Sail
* Governor’s Island: Billion Oyster Project
* Jamaica Bay Water Refuge
* Brooklyn Bridge Park Billion Oyster Project: Oyster Gardening
* Waterfront Museum Billion Oyster Project: Oyster Gardening
* Water Stewardship at Gowanus Conservancy, Red Hook Conservancy and other various NYC parks and waterways