# **WORLD WATER DAY 2024**







# WATER FOR PROSPERITY AND PEACE

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## **Summary of Event**

On March 22nd, 2024, Policy Forum Guyana observed World Water Day under the theme, "Water for Peace." As part of the observance, a session on freshwater was facilitated for the Environmental Science Club at Queen's College from 11:00am to 12:00pm. The Policy Forum Guyana team present consisted of Benita Davis, Jasmine Crawford, Britney Semple and Anjali Maharaj. The session aimed to raise awareness about the importance of freshwater and its quality. Approximately 15 students from Grades 8 to 13 participated in the event.

The session included Freshwater Lesson 1, which provided insights into the significance of freshwater resources. Additionally, a word search activity was conducted to engage students and reinforce key concepts about freshwater ecosystems and conservation. River Guardians Boardgame was also played to educate students about the challenges endangered species face and the positive actions that can be taken to maintain their survival.

One of the highlights of the event was the water quality testing exercise. Water samples were collected from the washroom sink and water treatment facility on the school grounds and tested for phosphorus, pH, nitrate, and turbidity. This hands-on activity allowed students to understand the importance of water quality monitoring and its impact on human health and the environment.

Overall, the World Water Day event at Queen's College provided students with valuable knowledge about freshwater resources and the importance of preserving them for future generations. It also highlighted the role of young people in advocating for sustainable water management practices.

#### Contributions

As a result of the above-mentioned initiative, Policy Forum was able to accomplish the following objectives:

- Educate students about freshwater resources and the importance of conservation.
- Provide students with practical skills on water quality testing.
- Contribute to the overall goals of World Water Day by educating and inspiring future generations to value and protect freshwater resources.

# **Appendices**

Students Participating in the Water Quality Test





#### Studenst playing the River Guardians Boardgame



#### Link for post made on Facebook



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