Programme Outline

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Seashore Scramble (Marine Metre Squared)

LOCATION: New Zealand Marine Studies Centre, Portobello, Dunedin, or a shore near you.

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION:

This programme focuses on what lives beneath the waves of our ocean, along with what lives up on our seashores. We take a look at how these animals have adapted to live where they do.

Students become detectives of the seashore by completing a Marine Metre square, where we get a look into the abundance and diversity of life living on our local shores. Our MM2 project encourages children to see monitor the life on our shores, and gives them a hands-on experience of identifying, grouping and communicating their findings with wider audiences.

Extensions:

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Students will gain a deeper understanding of the environment that our sea creatures live in.
- Students will be able to identify marine creatures, and understand more about their abundance, location and diversity.
- Students will be able to participate in a citizen science project.

Extras:

YEAR/LEVEL:	Years 1-8 Levels 1-4
CURRICULUM LINKS:	Nature of Science (NoS): Investigating in Science, Understanding about Science
	Science: Science Living World, - Life processes, Ecology, Evolution, Levels 1-2; Evolution level 3
KEY COMPETENCIES:	Relating to others, thinking, managing self, participating and contributing

PRE TRIP PREPARATION: No Preparation essential.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT PROGRAMME: Class sets of the Rocky Shore and Sandy and Muddy Shore identification guides are available on application to the NZMSC.

RELATED TOPICS:	Citizen science, Marine metre square, Identifying marine life, diversity,
PROGRAMME COSTS:	\$7 per student (GST Excl.)
PROGRAMME LENGTH:	2 Hours
GROUP INFORMATION:	As we will be working in a University of Otago Laboratory, students must wear closed toe shoes.

SAFETY ACTION PLAN:

In laboratory: As per lab safety
On beach: As per field operations

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