



Project Brief

Niños del Mar

Honduras

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Our class based and experiential environmental education program in Honduras began in 2016 known as “Kids Meet Sharks” that focused on west Roatán to start with. By the end of 2019 we have worked with all schools in the 3 Bay Islands and other departments of Honduras. We also changed the project’s name changed to “Niños del Mar” to encompass more species, habitats and marine conservation needs and its main reach includes:



4,453 Students



157 Teachers



9 Trained educators



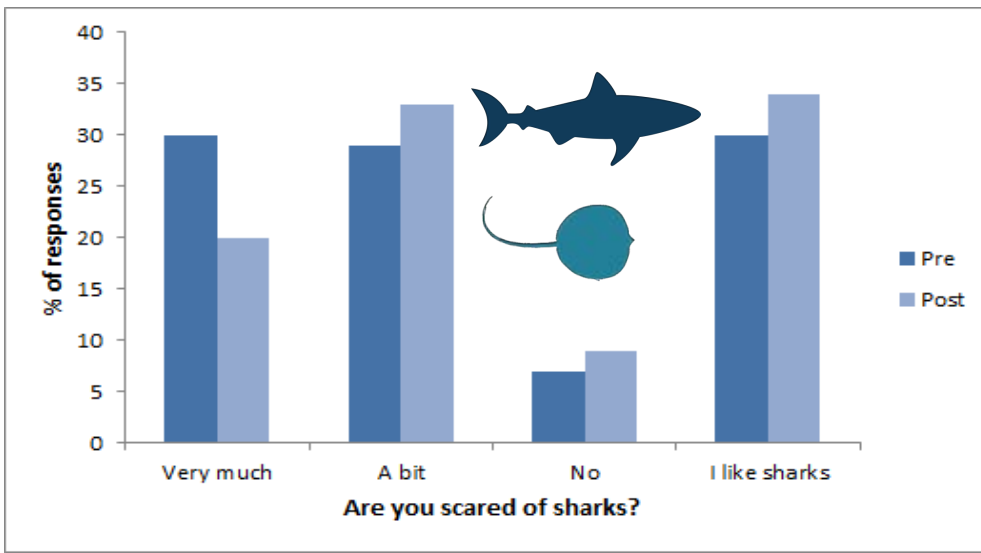
195 Schools visited



< Honduras’ map with the 7 locations of schools and communities visited during Niños del Mar activities in 2019



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Graph showing changes in children's perception of sharks before (Pre) and after (Post) our Niños del Mar classroom visits in 2019.

"Niños del Mar" is an engaging experimental education program that combines school presentations and classroom activities that focuses on the biology and behavior of sharks and rays along with the principles of sustainable fishing, responsible seafood consumption and public services in marine protected areas (see Word cloud below that captures conservation concepts integrated in the classroom components).

We use written or rapid surveys to assess changes in students' perceptions and knowledge before (pre) and after (post) classroom presentations (see graph above).

We added an experimental component in the water to our Roatan-based program to provide students with experience on the sea and to become familiar with the marine sciences and monitoring work conducted by MarAlliance and new concepts to be ambassadors of marine life.



“Day as a Marine biologist” Students at a school of Roatán experience and interpret the coral reef system through snorkeling.

Conservation concepts students learn during the classroom components

