



Global Youth Service Day

The 'Celebrate What's Right with The World' initiative was again pleased to partner with the Teen Resource Centre in this year's Global Youth Service Day.

Global Youth Service Day is the largest service event in the world, mobilizing youth to identify and address the needs of their communities through volunteering. It also supports youth to make educated choices and exhibit hospitality around their communities, while educating the public, the media, and policymakers about the year-round contributions of young people as community leaders. Over the past few years, thousands of Saint John youth have participated.

Schools were encouraged to participate in this year's event which took place from April 15th to April 17th. To kick off the event again this year, poster boards, which were created by schools depicting all of their community involvement over the last year, were on display at Brunswick Square throughout the weekend – an impressive display with 24 schools participating! Also, in the weeks leading up to, and following, the weekend, many schools were very busy giving back to their community and/or supporting global efforts. Check out the list below for some of the events the schools were or will be involved with. The youth of School District 8 demonstrated, and continue to demonstrate many of the concepts of Celebrate including 'Be Your Best for the World', 'Take Yourself to the Edge', and "Recognize Abundance"!

- **M. Gerald Teed School:** Completed a K-2/School Wide yard/Community Centre clean up; all students, staff, parents and grandparents pitched in!
- **Beaconsfield Middle School:** Students had a bake sale in support of the Japan Earthquake Relief Fund. The students raised over \$200.00 for the cause and will be sent directly.
- **Glen Falls School:** School wide yard clean up.
- **Harbor View High School:** Quilt Patch Making (using recycled blue jeans); Garbage Clean-up (outside school and along Douglas Avenue); Walk for Wildlife; Wasteless and Meatless Lunch; and again this year, will be holding their big event, Relay for Life - May 13th.

Believe It! See It! Celebrate It!