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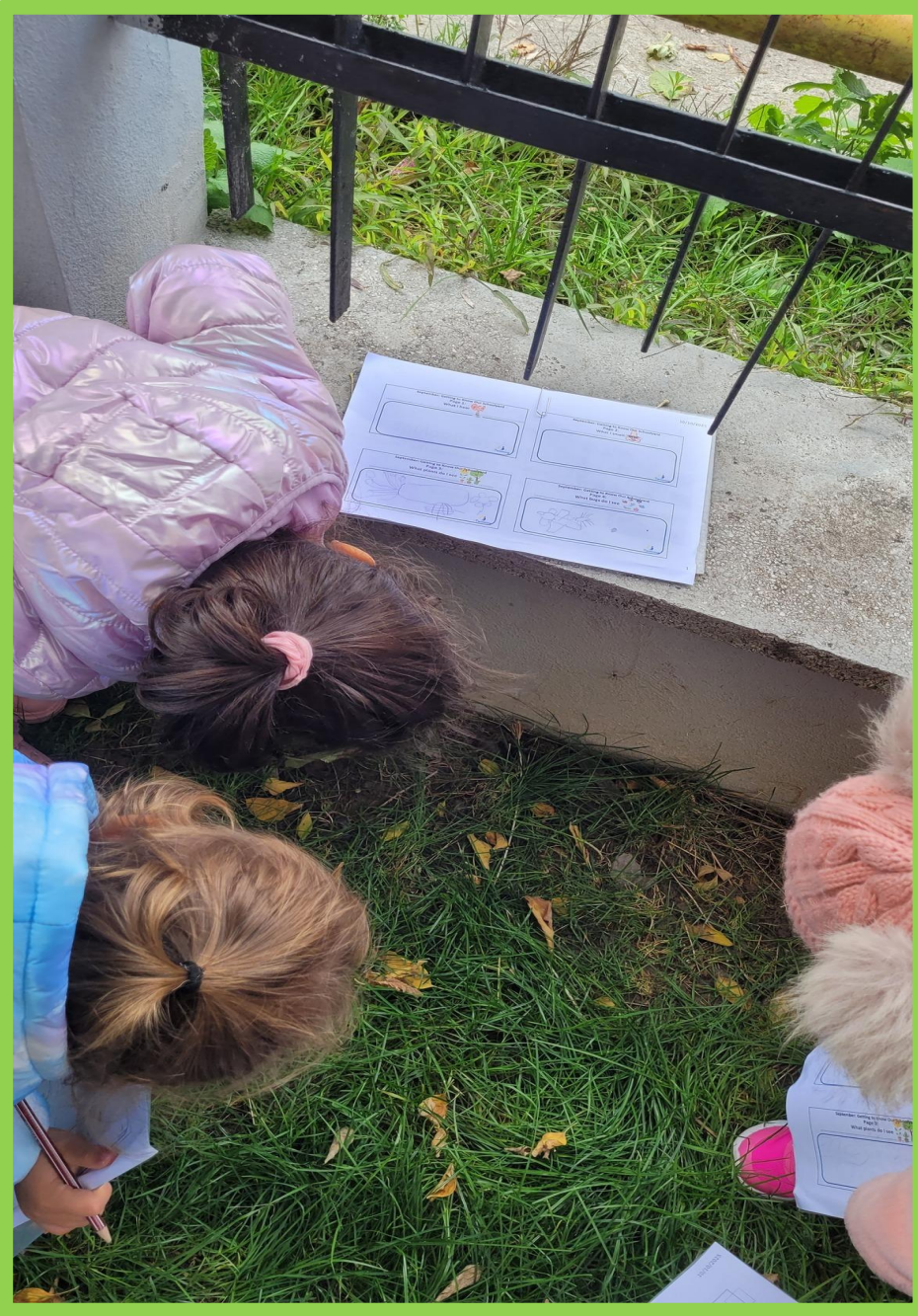
Description:

Students begin by exploring their schoolyard with fresh eyes.

Using their Green Hands, Cool Schools observation booklet, they record what they see, hear, smell, and feel in the school environment.

They note details about plants, insects, smells, cleanliness, and overall atmosphere.





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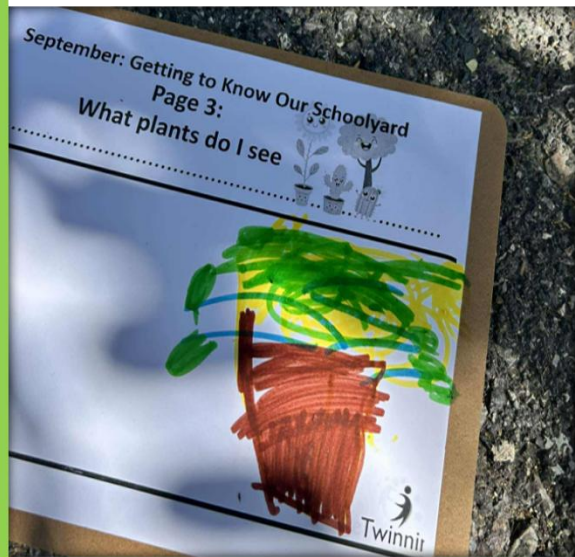
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After the schoolyard is transformed through greening activities, students return with the same booklet to reflect on the changes.

By comparing their "Before" and "After" observations, they discover how nature-based improvements affect not only the look of the schoolyard but also their feelings and experiences within it.



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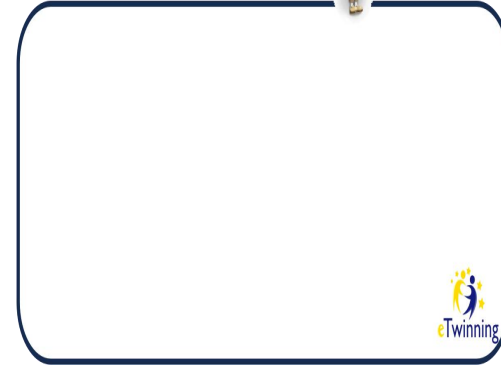
Student Booklet

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Green Hands, Cool Schools_
Nature-Based Adventures for Kids
My observations

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Page 1:
What I hear


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What I smell





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What plants do I see





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Page 4:
What bugs do I see





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Page 5: Observe the school yard

	Yes	No	a little/a few
Do you like it?	☐	☐	☐
Are there garbage?	☐	☐	☐
Are there animals?	☐	☐	☐
Is there any shade?	☐	☐	☐



Page 6: Observe the temperature

Yes No a little/a few

Do you like it?

☐	☐	☐
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Is it hot?

☐	☐	☐
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Is it cold?

☐	☐	☐
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Page 7:
Me at the yard the Day of the observation





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Purpose:

- ▶ To engage students in hands-on observation and reflection.
- ▶ To encourage environmental awareness and appreciation of nature in daily life.
- ▶ To highlight the impact of sustainable changes on well-being and the school environment.

Materials Needed:

- ▶ Student Observation Booklet (Green Hands, Cool Schools)
- ▶ Pencils or pens



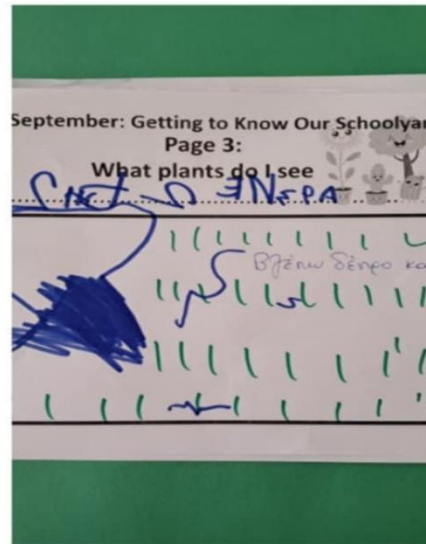
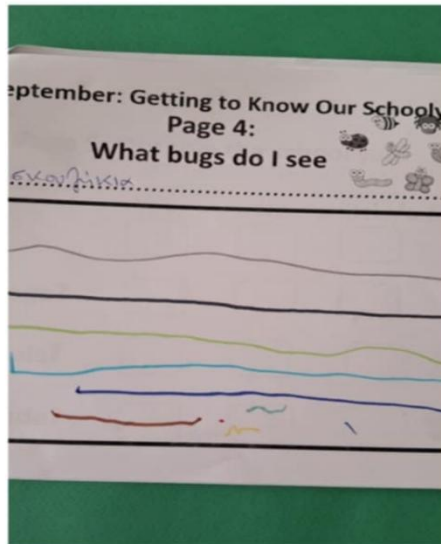
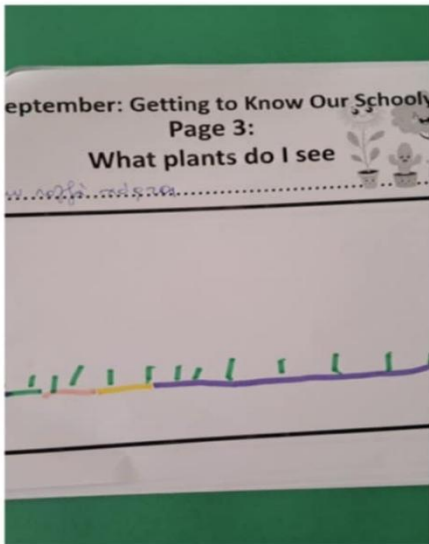
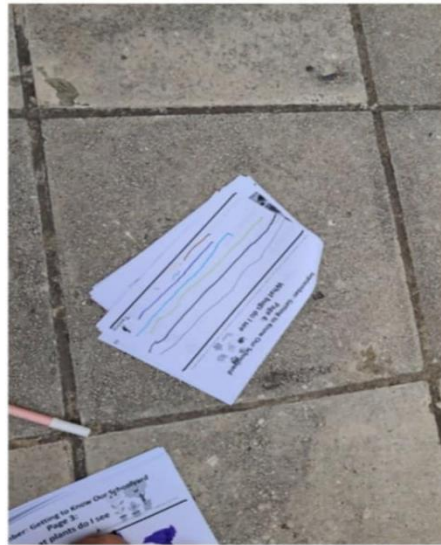
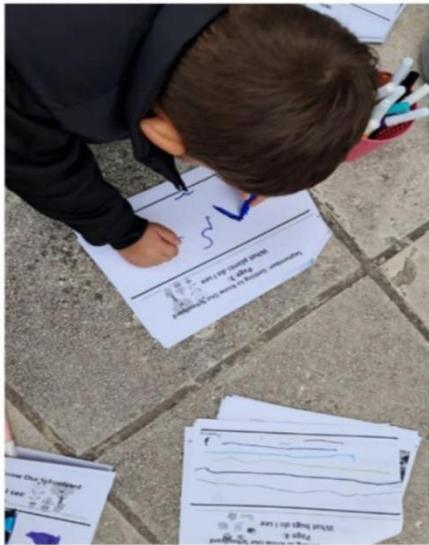
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Observing our schoolyards



Kindergarten of Marathopolis



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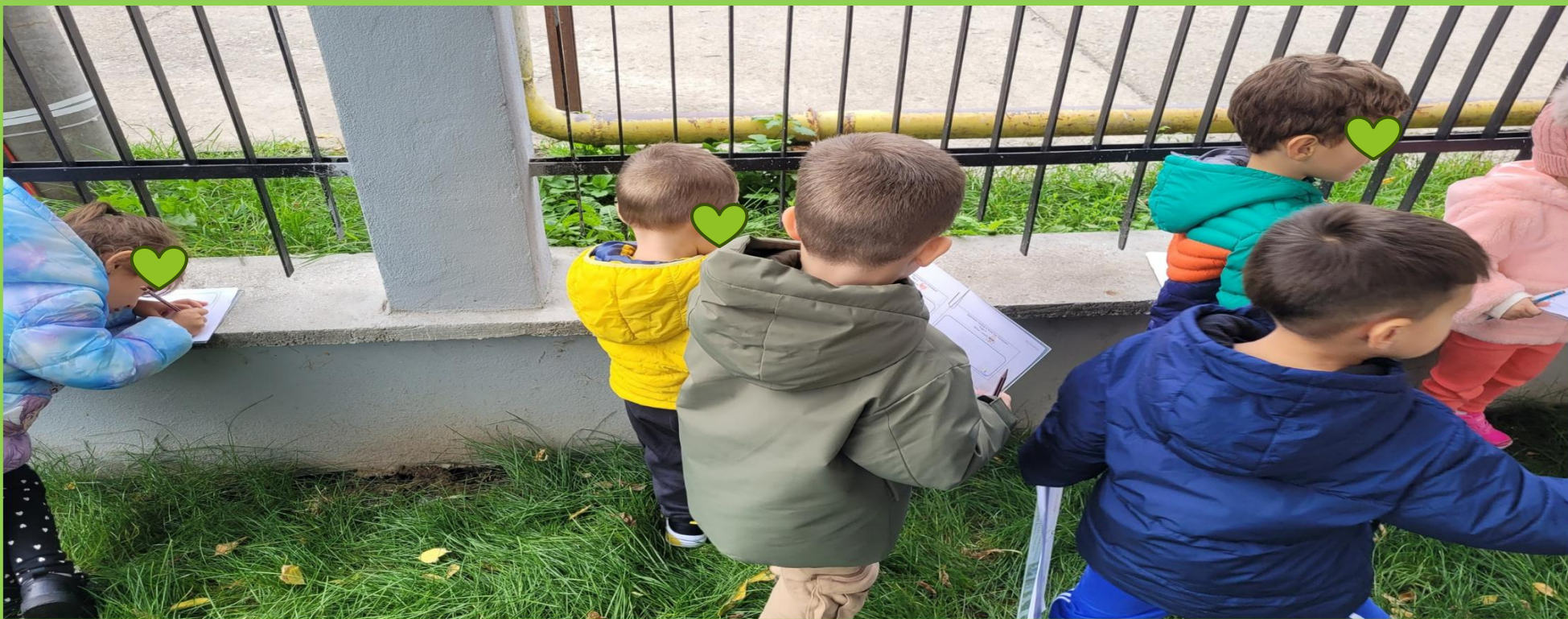


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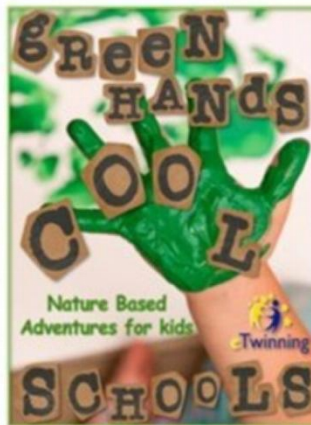


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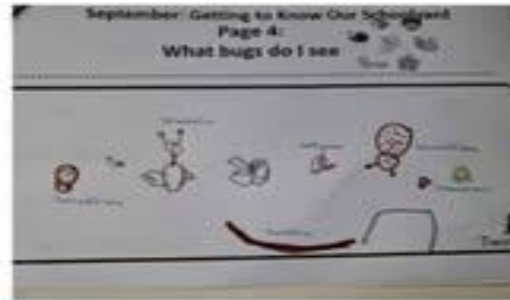




The students from:

- ▶ Extended Daycare Center No. 3, Bistrița, Romania
- ▶ 32nd Kindergarten Thessaloniki, Greece
- ▶ Kindergarten Marathopolis, Messinia, Greece
- ▶ Kindergarten 8th of March, Plovdiv, Bulgaria
- ▶ "Naša radost" preschool, Subotica / Subotica
- ▶ Kindergarten of Rizario, Trikala. Greece





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