

WORLD OZONE DAY 2018



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World Ozone Day 2018 is celebrated 16th September every year. This year, Niue marked World Ozone Day on Thursday 13th September due to the date falling on a Sunday for Niue. The Department of Environment celebrated this Day with the Early Childhood Education (ECE) and the junior classes of Niue Primary School.



The 2018 World Ozone Day Theme “Keep Cool and Carry On” was translated into Niuean “Fakahāhāu Tumau moe Puhala ki Mua” in order to reinforce the global message to the younger generation. The mascot ‘Ozzy Ozone’ was contextualized to include a Niuean traditional spear to reflect Niue’s commitment in protecting and conserving the Ozone Layer for future generations.



The past few weeks, students have been learning about the Ozone Layer, the effects on Earth when the ozone layer is depleted and how our actions can help prevent the depletion of the Ozone layer and further contributing to global warming. Posters and display boards were displayed on the day to showcase the students’ key messages and learnings. The junior classes also performed songs and dances with a strong focus on the theme for World Ozone Day 2018. Niue’s Ozone Officer Ms. Eme Laufoli (National Ozone Officer) on behalf of the Department of Environment also provided a brief overview of their work and Niue’s commitment towards protecting the Ozone Layer. Niue is part of the Global movement to protect the Ozone Layer for future



The World Ozone Day 2018 awareness programme was established in order to educate Niue’s young generation. Having these messages embedded into their young minds at a very young age aids their understanding and awareness as they progress through their education journey. The World Ozone Day 2018 was made possible with assistance from United Nations Environment (UNEP), Department of Environment, Customs Department, Rock Steady, local technicians, agencies and institutions serving to implement the Montreal Protocol on Niue.

