From Plate to soil and then back again

- experience to closed food circle at school



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I will implement my scenario in: 7th grade (13y/o)

The duration of the implementation is: 12 hours (6x2h)

My scenario goals are:

- Experience nutrient cycle (and waste flows)
- 2. Circular economy through hands-on activities
- 3. Start composting at school
- 4. Investigating Compost (IBL)
- 5. Reflect and plan further action

How will I achieve my educational goals?

educational goals?

Through 6 lessons I will show the students a **nutrient cycle** in and around the school based on observations and workshops.

1st lesson investigates amount of waste in school and shows the percentage of organic waste (but also plastic, cans etc.) which is easy to compost =recycle.

Using **Inquiry-Based Learning** (observing soil organism, measuring comost's temperature, pH, moist etc.)

In the end of the project students

- separate organic and compost
- start growing veggies



Remember that your scenario goals should be linked with Sustainability Citizenship.

Based on experience of:

as a part of:





with an inspiration of Summer school:



Analysing what's in the regular bins, weighing the amount:



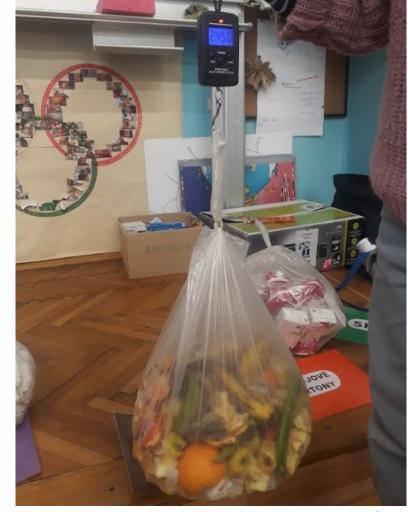




Identifying the amount of organic waste:

Taking care of the compost









From composting to growing









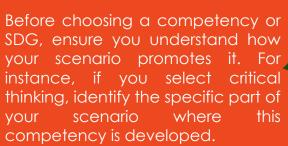




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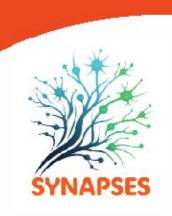






The green competences that promoted from my scenario are:

Embodying Sustainable Values	<u>Valuing</u> <u>Sustainability</u>	Supporting Fairness	<u>Promoting</u> <u>Nature</u>
Embracing Complexity in Sustainability		Critical Thinking	
Envisioning Sustainable Futures	Futures Literacy	Adaptability	Exploratory Thinking
Acting for Sustainability		Collective Action	Individual Initiative



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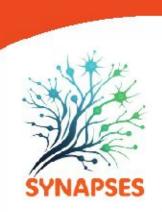








- Valuing Sustainability students develop a strong appreciation for sustainable practices related to food systems and waste management.
- **Promoting Nature** direct engagement with natural processes such as composting and understanding ecosystems.
- Critical Thinking analysing data, reflecting on food waste, and evaluating solutions critically.
- Collective Action working collaboratively on projects and campaigns to improve sustainability at school.
- Individual Initiative encouraging students to take personal responsibility and actively contribute ideas and solutions.
- **Futures Literacy** envisioning sustainable futures and reflecting on how their actions impact the environment.



I will collaborate with:

- 1st external stakeholder: NGO "Save food" (Zachraň jídlo:https://zachranjidlo.cz/projekt/prague-food-waste/)
- 2nd external stakeholder: NGO *Kokoza* (Community gardening and composting NGO: https://kokoza.cz/

Here is my plan for integrating this scenario in my school this year:

There is a funding for the workshops in our existing project until November 2025. So just need to coordinate with the school.



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