



SANDWATCH

CARING FOR BARTICA BEACHES

CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION DAY 2026

“THE POWER OF YOUTH IN CO-CREATING EDUCATION”

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What is International Education Day?

- Celebrated every January 24.
- Focuses on youth shaping learning and education for everyone.
- Encourages students to take part in decisions about learning.
- Education is a human right and helps build peace and a better world.



What is Sandwatch?

- Sandwatch is a group of children, youth, and adults who protect rivers and beaches.
- We learn outside the classroom and solve real-life environmental problems.
- Sandwatch is hands-on learning, connecting science, geography, and math to the real world.



Why Sandwatch Matters for Bartica



- Bartica is home to Golden Beach on the Essequibo River.
- It's a popular riverside spot for relaxation, local culture, and festivals like the Bartica Easter Regatta.
- Protecting Golden Beach means protecting our community, nature, and culture.








How Schools Can Participate

- Observe and measure sand, water, and plants 🌱
- Check water quality and watch how the river changes over time 💧
- Record and share findings with the community 📝
- Learn Science, Geography, and Math while caring for your environment



Sandwatch Tools



- Measuring tape 
- Compass 
- Anemometer  (measures wind)
- Digital microscope 
- Field data sheets 

Sandwatch Activities for Students

- Beach and river clean-ups 🗑️
- Planting trees along riverbanks 🌳
- Observing plants, animals, and river health 🐟

Sharing results and solutions with friends, teachers, and families



Sandwatch + Youth Power in Education

- Sandwatch is hands-on learning, showing the power of youth.
- Students lead projects, make decisions, and take real action in their community.
- Connects with International Education Day 2026 theme: “Youth in Co-Creating Education” 🌟



Your Turn!

Students of Bartica, you can:

- Explore and measure Golden Beach
- Protect rivers and beaches
- Learn science, geography, and math through real-life projects



Be a Sandwatch hero and celebrate education at the same time!

THANK YOU

**“Let’s care for our rivers, beaches,
and community together!”**

Questions or ideas?

