

Water Warriors Assembly plan

Use this assembly plan alongside the PowerPoint presentation and film to introduce your pupils to the Water Warriors activity and WaterAid's work.

Optional extra:

Why not dress as a Water Warrior to take the assembly? Or organise a 'best dressed Water Warrior' staff competition!

Slide one:

If you and your colleagues have dressed up, start the assembly with an introduction from each Water Warrior. Tell the children what your superpower is.

Afterwards, ask the pupils what their superpower would be if they were a Water Warrior for a day.

Slide two:

Next, ask if any of the children would choose a superpower for fixing things (like taps). Or perhaps one for looking after things (like toilets) really, really well!

They might not think that fixing taps or looking after toilets are very exciting super powers, but let them know these are actually very important jobs. So important in fact, that, as a school, you are going to spend a whole day celebrating a special kind of superhero – a Water Warrior!



You will need:

- Water Warriors PowerPoint presentation
- A world of water film
- Water Warrior costume (optional)



Slide three:

Explain that there is a charity called WaterAid who work in the world's poorest communities. People living in these places don't have any taps or toilets in their homes or at school. Life can be really difficult for them, as they often have to walk miles to collect water from a river or stream. This water isn't clean and makes them ill.

But WaterAid is working to make clean water, decent toilets and handwashing with soap a normal part of daily life for these communities, just like it is here.

If these taps and toilets aren't looked after and kept clean, they can quickly break down and stop working. So it's really important that WaterAid teaches people how to look after and fix them. Then people can benefit from clean water and toilets day after day.

Today, we're going to be learning about and celebrating real life Water Warriors who make this happen.

Slide four:

13-year-old Tahiana from Madagascar is one of the Water Warriors we'll be learning about. WaterAid recently installed taps and toilets in his school. Tahiana received training on how to look after them and make sure all the pupils at the school can use them. Because of this, his classmates call Tahiana 'President'!

Everything has changed now they have water. Tahiana says, "My role as 'President' is about ensuring that our taps and toilets work and last, so we can use them for as long as possible."

Tahiana is using his special knowledge to make sure his school friends always have clean water to drink, and somewhere to go to the toilet and wash their hands.

Before WaterAid installed taps and toilets at Tahiana's school, the teachers and pupils had to get through the whole day with nothing to drink, nowhere to go to the toilet, and nowhere to wash their hands. Can you imagine how hard it would be to concentrate in school with no water for the whole day?



Slide five:

Explain that on Friday 10 November (or a date of your choice) you will all be taking part in the Water Warriors activity to learn more about WaterAid and raise money. So together you can help more people get taps and toilets, and teach more children like Tahiana how to look after them.

Ask the children to come to school wearing as much blue as possible, and give a £1 donation. Then explain that on the day there will be lots of fun activities, including making masks and shields, so everyone can transform into a Water Warrior for the day.

If your school has decided to run a competition for the best Water Warrior costume, now would be a good time to mention this!

Let the pupils know that the money they raise from their Water Warriors activity will go to WaterAid, and will mean that communities around the world will have clean water and toilets for years to come.



You could end the assembly by showing WaterAid's World of water film to explain more about WaterAid's work.

You can find the film at www.wateraid.org/uk/water-warriors

