AYB SCHOOL

Mission Possible students at AYB School decided to contribute to the preservation of natural resources by establishing a sustainable recycling policy and an inclusive and participatory recycling culture at their school. By decreasing the amount of wasted paper, the school can reduce its environmental footprint and establish a culture of recycling for future generations of students. To build investment and raise awareness among students, the team designed a unique mascot called “Aybel,” who represents their project and appears on all 28 recycling bins installed. The team also organized a group of student volunteers who are responsible for collecting the recycled paper.

**Project Objectives:**
- Establish a recycling policy and culture in the school
- Decrease the amount of paper wasted every year at the school
- Raise awareness among students about recycling and its importance

**Activities:**
- Engaged in discussions to secure approval from the school principal
- Designed and digitized a mascot, Aybel, to represent their project
- Prepared recycling boxes with the image of Aybel for each classroom
- Appointed a team of 15 student volunteers, responsible for collecting the paper from each class
- Created an information sheet on double-sided printing for the school’s copy machine to reduce paper consumption

**Results:**
- 28 hand-made classroom recycling bins installed and regularly used by students and staff
- Establishment of a student-led collection system and designated Recycling Room for storage of the collected paper
- Increased awareness and paper recycling behaviors among students

**Next Steps:** Students will contact a recycling company to collect the paper each time it reaches 100 - 150 kg. After securing the longevity of the project in their own school, AYB’s Agents of Change plan on branching out to different schools in the district and even the country.