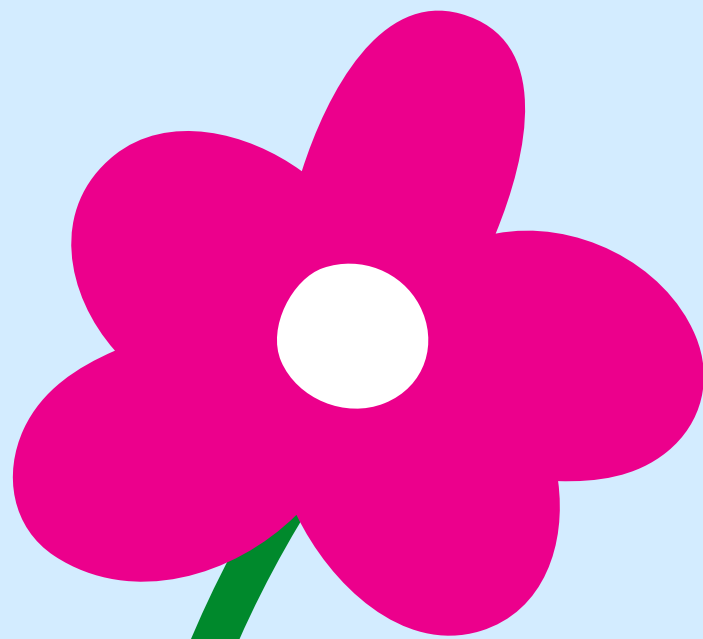
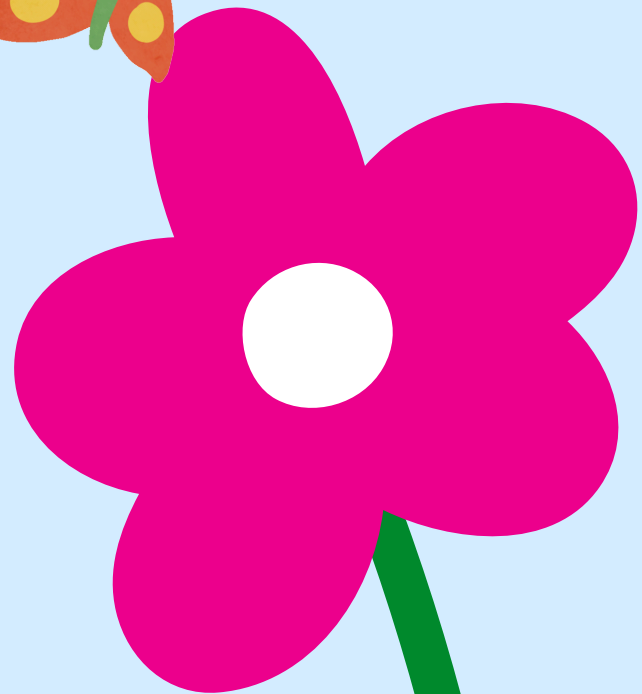




# "WHY IS THE EARTH CRYING?"



Children's summer camp *"Let's travel together on the nature trail 2025"*



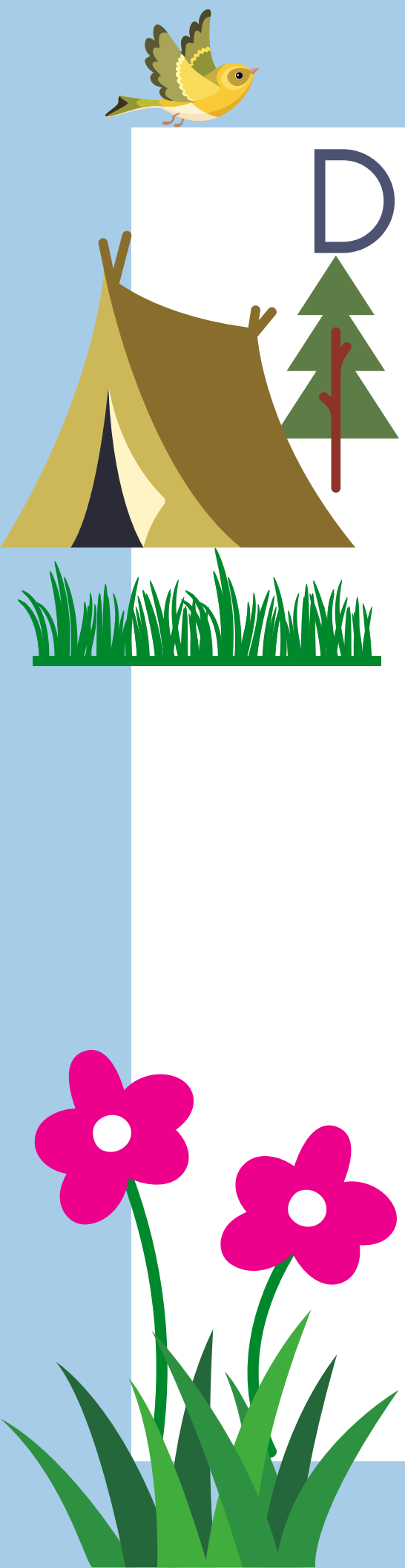


**Goal:** to provide children with knowledge about climate change, which has a significant impact on the planet.

**Objectives:**

1. to develop an understanding of environmental conservation and sustainability - "Why is the Earth crying?";
2. to introduce the habits of reducing, reusing and recycling into everyday life;
3. to develop creativity, teamwork, critical thinking and respect for the environment;
4. to involve children in the creation of art projects using natural and recycled materials;
5. to strengthen the emotional connection with nature during field trips, to feel respect for life, and responsibility for it.

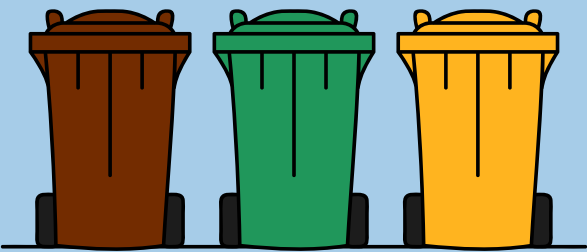




# Day one. Camp opening celebration.

Children and leaders gathered for the celebration dressed in green – in this way, everyone symbolically expressed their connection with nature and their determination to protect it. A flag created by children was raised in the hall – “Clean Nature – Happy Children”. The celebration began with the introduction “Why is the Earth Crying?”, which discussed natural problems, pollution, climate change and our role as little nature guardians. The children shared their thoughts on why it is important to take care of the planet and how everyone can contribute to its well-being. Camp teacher Ramunė arrived at the celebration on a scooter, and the children taught her about good behavior and proper garbage sorting.

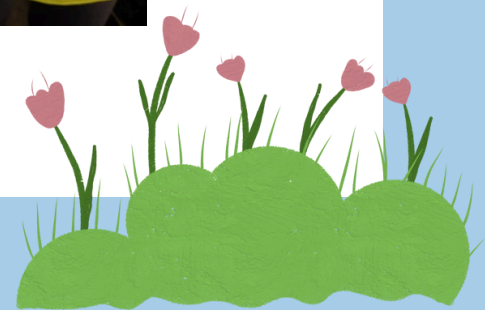
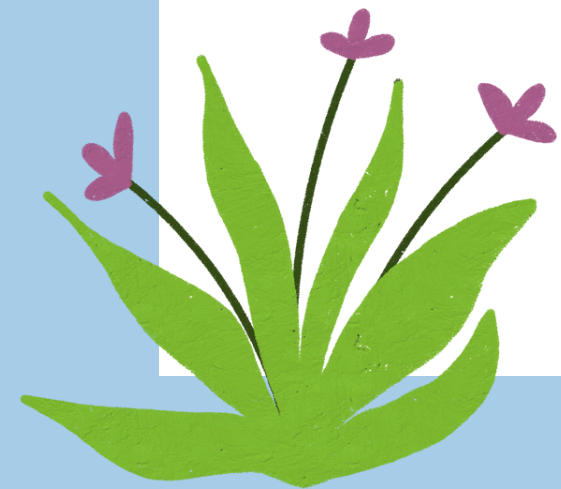






# Education "ABC of Sorting".

On June 11, the "Aitvarai" and "Širdukai" groups went to the Tauragė region non-hazardous waste landfill, where education about waste sorting took place.





# Education "Welcome to your friend's house".

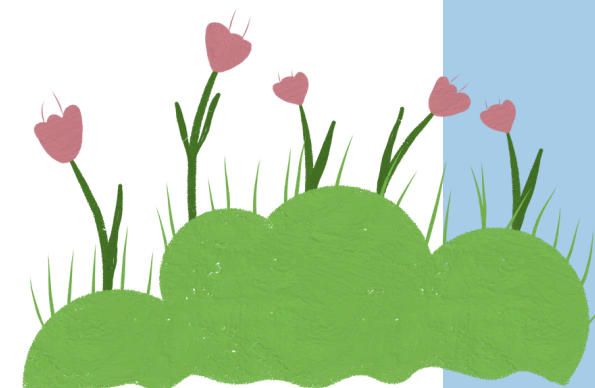
Children from the "Nykštukai" and "Bitučiai" groups went to the Norkaičiai Traditional Crafts and Ethnoculture Center, where education about bees took place.





## WATER DAY

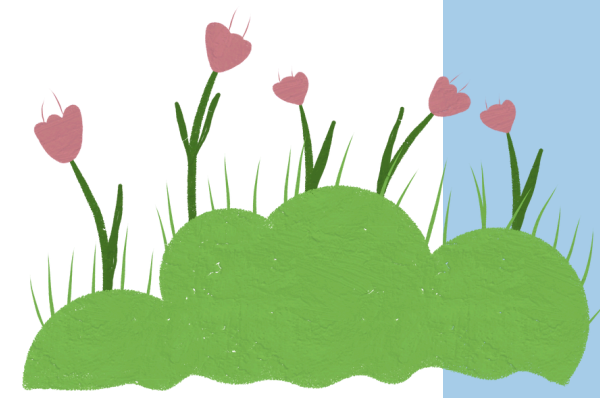
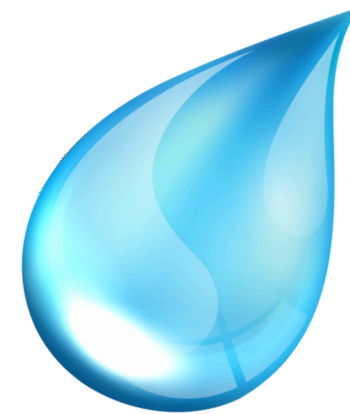
On June 12, children celebrated Water Day. Teacher Marija conducted an education about the friendly water creature "Neterštukā", which taught children how to protect water, how water helps nature and us, and how we can help it. Children played various games with water, conducted experiments.



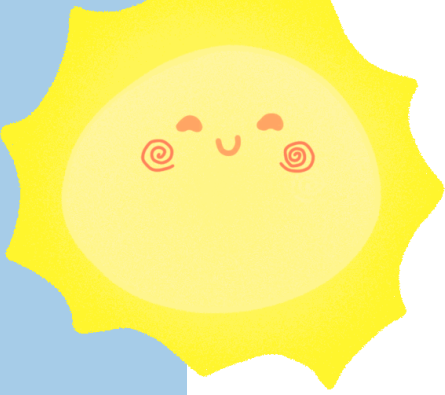


## WATER DAY

Research and assessment of water quality and pollution in the park pond. Ecosystem of the pond shore.

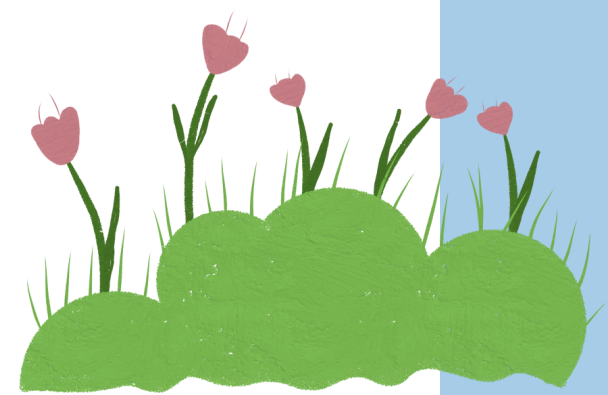




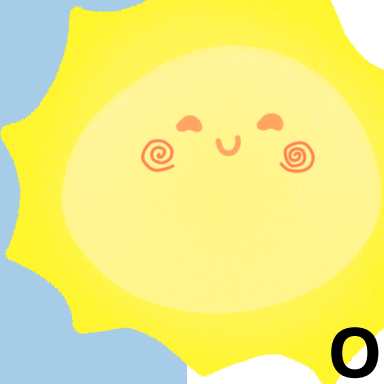


# **EARTH DAY** is a fun holiday when we take care of our planet!

We carried out an engineering project "Our Earth", during which children, together with their parents and teachers, created windmills from recycled materials. Today, June 13, the children created a wind farm on the hill in the kindergarten! Later, fun nature relay races took place.







# Education "In the Valleys of Rivers and Shepherds' Paths".

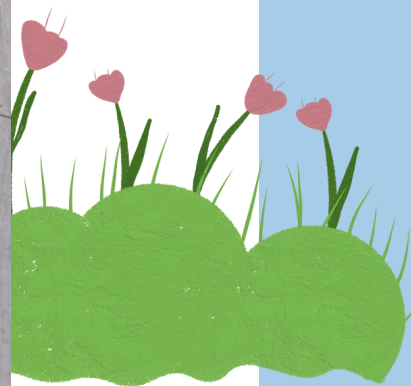
On June 13, the "Dwarfs", "Kittens" and "Hearts" groups went to the Pagramantis Regional Park Visitor Center. In the center, visitors got acquainted with the exposition, visited the operating exhibitions, and using interactive information tools enriched their knowledge about the birds and animals living in the regional park. Interactive glasses showed interesting places to visit.



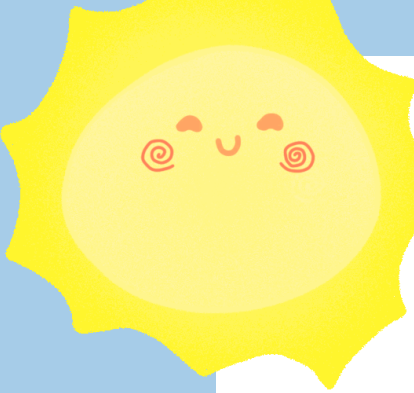


# Education “In the Valleys of Rivers and Shepherds’ Paths”.

The children visited the observation tower, from which a magnificent panorama of the confluence of two rivers opens up. Climbing the stairs to the tower, the confluence can be viewed on three levels: from the water, the educational trail and the observation tower. Below, you can see the winding rivers Akmena and Jūra, higher up – the river valleys and the confluence itself, and after climbing the stairs even higher, the protected area can be viewed from a 12-meter platform, where a picturesque landscape opens up. The length of the observation bridge is almost 65 meters.

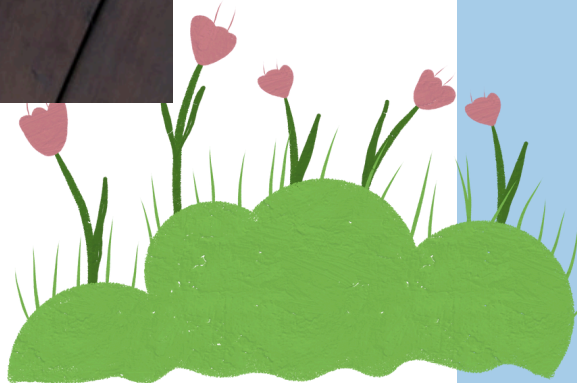






# Education “In the Valleys of Rivers and Shepherds’ Paths”.

Later, they tried baking bread on a campfire and tasted herbal tea.





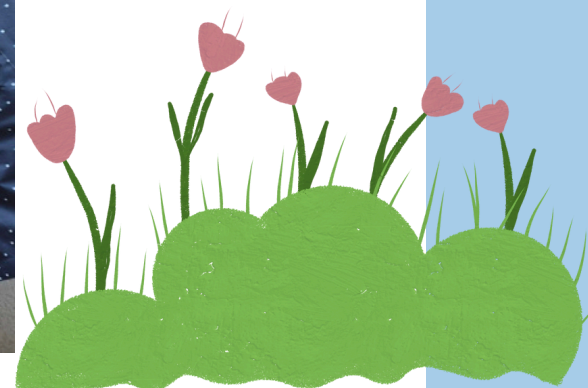
☀️ On June 16, children from “Kodėlčiaus” created “TAURAGĖ, as an ECO city of the future” from secondary raw materials – cardboard boxes, paper and other recycled materials. Children’s imagination transformed these materials into houses, wind turbines, power plants, green areas and city symbols. Little architects revived the vision of Tauragė as a green, clean and renewable energy-based city. Building the city was not only a creative activity, but also a message that sustainability should become a daily habit from childhood.



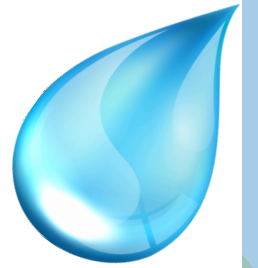
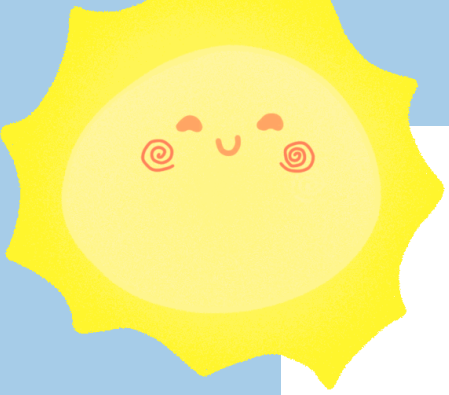


# MOBILITY DAY. Farewell to the camp celebration.

On June 17, children gathered at the kindergarten with their own means of transport – bicycles, scooters. Teachers discussed with the children why using public transport, bicycles, scooters is beneficial for the environment. In the kindergarten yard, having “decorated” their bicycles and scooters, the children organized an exhibition of them, and later, having lined up in a long column, they drove around the kindergarten. At the end of the celebration, teacher Vilma followed a fairy tale about our planet Earth and organized an interactive question-and-answer quiz for the children “How will I help the Earth?”.







# Results achieved

**The STEAM activities integrated into the project provided the development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills, the ability to collaborate, greater creativity and innovation, and a better understanding of the world around them.**

