

## Project Update: September 2017

This year The Dorsal Effect took over 50 grade 11 students (the largest group we have ever had!) from ISS International School Singapore on a marine learning adventure.

This was special because the group was a wonderful mix of backgrounds – including Japanese, Chinese, Russian, and Korean – many of whom come from traditional families where consumption of shark is the norm.

Over 4 days, the students were immersed in marine learning! They learnt about the shark trade by surveying sharks at the market, and doing surveys of shark teeth pendants at shops. They also conducted coral reef surveys to learn about threats to reefs. A beach clean-up taught them the dangers of plastics.

For many, this was their first time hearing about these issues and for some, even their first time in the sea! We secured this school for a second trip this October – that's 50 more students exposed to marine conservation!

