



David Zaplana, Paula Márquez and Andrea Gala – all three of Formentera's CEIP Mestre Lluís Andreu primary school – will compete as finalists in the yearly Aqualia-sponsored children's drawing contest to celebrate World Water Day, *el Concurs Internacional de Dibuix Infantil*.

This week, councillor of culture Sònia Cardona, director of the Balearic branch of Aqualia, Eduardo del Castillo, and head of Formentera municipal water services, Maria del Mar Yern, met with each one of the finalists in order to present them their award: the educational game *El Món Submergit* ('The World Underwater').

The councilwoman lauded the initiative “for helping Formentera's youngest get to know the public service that gives them water, a resource that must be protected and used wisely”.

For his part, Eduardo del Castillo underscored the great creativity of all those that took part in the competition, “every participant put his or her own individual spin on how to be intelligent about water use in one's community, school and home”.

“Fill your world with life”

Councillor Cardona took the opportunity to announce details regarding the ninth year of the international drawing contest. Under the slogan “*Omple el teu món de vida*” ('Fill your world with life'), the competition is aimed at reminding kids of the importance of using the planet's natural resources – like water – responsibly, in order to contribute to a sustainable development of our surroundings.

The challenge is open to all year three and four primary school students across Spain who live in an area served by Aqualia. With an end toward fomenting a smart use of new technologies and contributing to sustainable development by reducing paper, the Concurs is being held

online, on the microsite www.ompleelteumondevida.cat. On the site, kids will find a wealth of illustrations (animals, plants, rivers...) to recreate their own ideal environment and then have the chance to name it as they wish.

Contest organisers say they want participating children to “show us what their ideal community looks like, providing people, animals and plants with the water they need to live – just like their water company does”.