



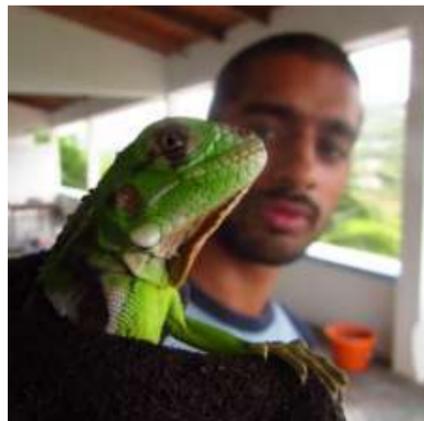
## The school season begins in the Philippines.

July has been a busy month so far in the Philippines, with our first school group of the season having arrived. Hailing from a UK boarding school the 11 students and 2 teachers will go through the same [Skills Development Program](#) as our regular volunteers. This will see them becoming certified as PADI Advanced Open Water divers and learning how to identify over 150 target species of fish, hard coral and invertebrates, before going on to contribute to baseline surveys of the reef.

Booking on as a school group gives some of our younger environmental enthusiasts the opportunity to work on the forefront of conservation. You can join us in the Philippines as a marine volunteer, or in Montserrat on either a terrestrial and marine project, or a geography field trip. All you need is a willing teacher! If you are 16 years of age or older and want to come out on a Coral Cay expedition check out the [Group Bookings](#) page.



A map of Southern Leyte, each dot indicates an area of completed surveys.



Project Scientist, Shawn Daniel, spots a juvenile iguana on site.

### Philippines

The team have been powering through the surveys in recent weeks, conducting assessment surveys in the existing MPAs of Napantao and Tabugon, and completing all of the surveys required for the proposed MPA sites of Molopolo and Cagbungalon (pictured above). Eager to keep the potentially destructive species of the Crown of Thorns (CoTs) sea stars in check they also carried out a CoTs assessment in Napantao, followed by extractions. NapanWow will continue to live up to its nickname and amaze CCC staff and volunteers alike.

### Montserrat

It's hard to believe that it has already been a year since the Montserrat site first started receiving volunteers. The site has been enjoying some beautiful weather recently, which, if it holds out, will give the team a great opportunity to take the boat out to some of the more exposed coast lines around the north side of the island. With the focus on diving rather than terrestrial in recent weeks it's as if the mountain has been coming to Mohammed with a host of terrestrial creatures finding their way onto site. Such as the beautiful iguana pictured above and a bat in the bunk room!

## Introduction to the Lifesigns Group

As some of you may know Coral Cay Conservation is part of the [Lifesigns Group](#). A group of companies specialising in expeditions, medical training & hostile environment solutions. Over the next month Adventure Lifesigns will be bringing school groups out to a host of worldwide destinations. Check out this section next month to find out what they got up to.

### Offer of the month!

Do you fancy joining us in Montserrat and spotting iguanas for yourself? If the answer is yes this offer is perfect for you! Just book on for 4 weeks or more on our Montserrat terrestrial project and we'll give you the 5th week for free!  
 NB. Subject to availability. Offer expires 11th August 2014. Expedition must be booked before the 11th August 2014, for a start date within a year of this date. Cannot be combined with any other offer.