LOCAL SCHOOL SAVES MANATEE



John C Calhoun School, local Destin elementary school, helped save one of Florida's most precious creatures. The school just finished a 2 year project, aimed at providing medical care to the Destin Harbor Manatee population.

The project involved fund raising enough money to pay for "Slow Down Manatee Area" signs and to have local vets check in on the local population of Manatees once a year.

"The kids really should be proud of themselves," Principal Brander told reporters. "It was entirely their idea."

"I just hate it when the news reports a manatee has been killed by a speeding boater," Rania M. stated. "These signs will help remind boaters that manatees are in the area."

The signs are \$45 each and are designed to float on the surface of the water while anchored in place. The school in total put out 350 signs.