

# Childcare & Community

## High School Special Schedule

### Fiji

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### Programme Goals:

#### Education and Childcare:

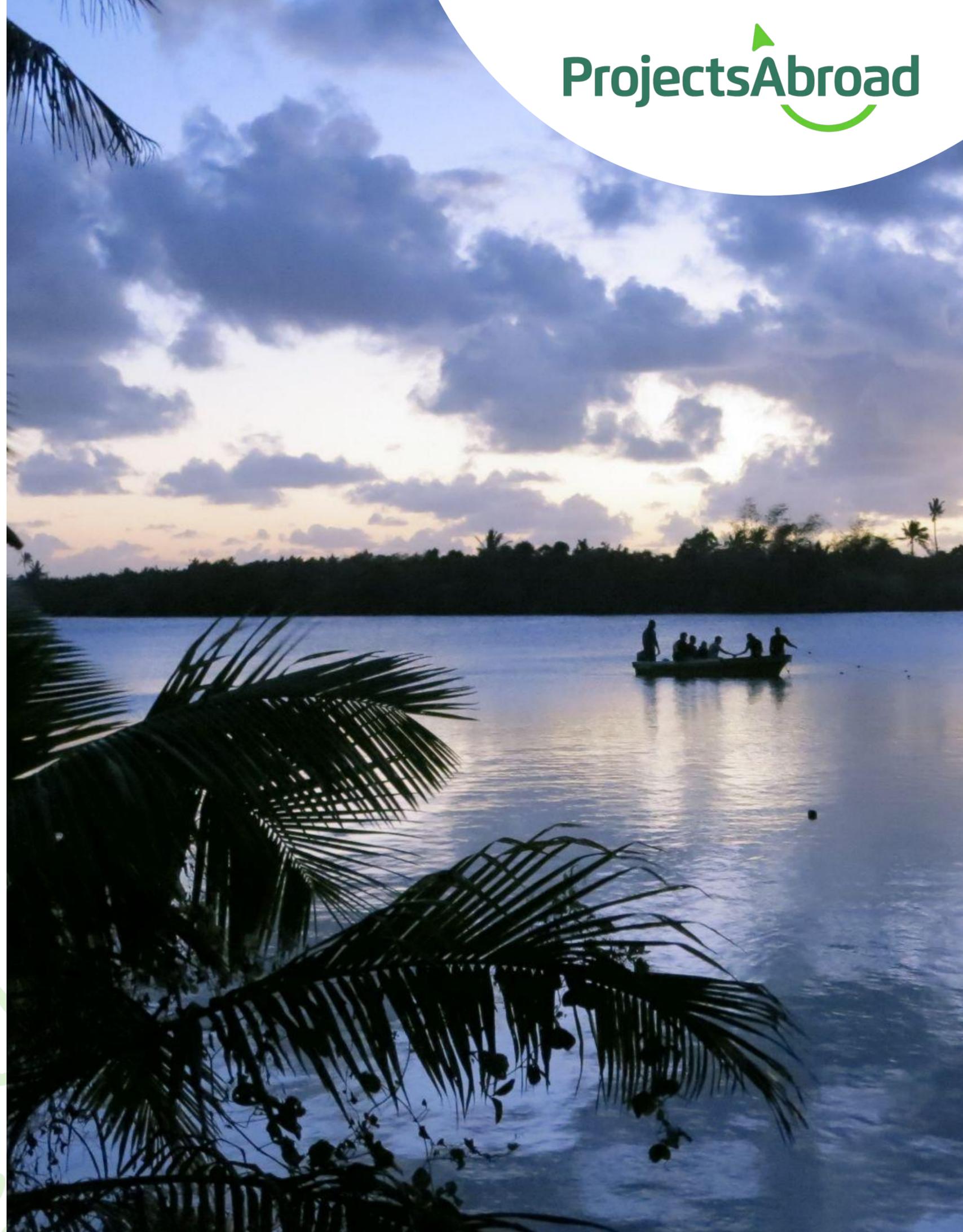
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#### Renovation:

Make a lasting impact on the community by improving the schools and centres where you'll be working. Contribute to renovation work by digging and building flower beds, or help with the classroom renovation by adding a coat of paint where needed.

#### Cultural Immersion:

Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture of Fiji through captivating experiences that include witnessing traditional dances, engaging in meaningful conversations with locals, and savoring the authentic flavors of Fijian cuisine, all while making a meaningful impact through your volunteer work. Embark on an enriching journey alongside fellow volunteers, forging lifelong friendships and creating cherished memories as you visit stunning landmarks, immerse yourself in the rich history and traditions of Fiji, and marvel at the breathtaking beauty of its tropical landscapes, pristine beaches, and turquoise waters.





## Day 1

### Sunday

You will arrive into the culturally diverse city of Nadi, which is considered the travelling hub of the South Pacific. Nadi has the highest concentration of tourist spots and is home to the Sri Siva Subramaniya Swami, a Hindu temple which reflects Fiji's large Indian population.

After you pass through customs you will be met by a staff member holding a sign welcoming you to Fiji. You will travel to the host family in Nadi where you will relax, have a meal, and rest for the next day.



### Highlights

- ▶ Volunteer at a village school
- ▶ Immerse yourself in the local culture
- ▶ Learn about the Fijian educational system
- ▶ Visit the South Sea Island
- ▶ Visit Sabeto Hot Springs and Mud Pool
- ▶ Offset your carbon footprint

### Accommodation

Host Families

### Transport

Taxis, buses and by foot

### Meals

Breakfast will be served at your host family each day. Lunch will either be at the school, at home or in the community. Dinner will be at home or a restaurant.

### Responsible Travel

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## Day 2

### Monday

#### Morning:

After breakfast, you will be collected from the host family and you will be briefed on the Care programme, the schedule, and the placement and cultural expectations.

#### Afternoon:

Continue with the program briefing and city tour, followed by immersion in Fijian lessons.

.Return to your host family for a delicious Fijian dinner and some much-needed rest.

## Day 3

### Tuesday

#### Morning:

Begin your day by meeting the children and engaging in interactive activities to create a positive learning environment and contribute to the students' education.

#### Afternoon:

After a delicious packed lunch, you will engage in light renovation and building activities to improve the school grounds.

#### Evening:

Share about the events of your day as you enjoy dinner at your host family and listen to cultural tidbits from your host.

## Day 4

### Wednesday

#### Morning:

Return to the classroom to continue your interactive activities with the children as you help them to improve their literacy and numeracy skills.

#### Afternoon:

Enjoy a well-prepared lunch at the host before embracing your creative side as you beautify the classroom by cleaning and painting murals.

#### Evening:

Spend the evening relaxing at the beach before a sumptuous dinner with the host family.

## Day 5

### Thursday

#### Morning:

Resume your activities with the children as you engage in storytelling, and sport activities to enhance the children's social and interactive skills.

#### Afternoon:

Continue with your light renovation activities as you give back to the local community. .

#### Evening:

Prepare to enjoy a movie at the popular cinema in Nadi followed by dinner with the host.

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### Friday

#### Morning:

After a delicious breakfast, prepare to explore the village of Natalau. Meet the village elders, participate in the sevuvu, and learn about the village culture and traditions.

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Learn the art of the "lovo" as you join with the locals to prepare Fiji's traditional meal.

#### Evening:

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Saturday

### Full Day:

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## Day 9

Monday

### Morning:

Engage the children in stimulating activities to enhance their mastery of different subjects. Research and prepare other fun games that will target the children's motor skills and develop their speech and sensory skills.

### Afternoon:

Dive right into the cleaning and painting activities at the school hall as you contribute the general facelift.

### Evening:

Enjoy the Fijian cooking as you have dinner at the host family and reflect on a productive day..

## Day 10

Tuesday

### Morning:

Continue your educational activities with the kids as you master class control and general interaction.

### Afternoon:

Enjoy a well-prepared lunch and then resume cleaning and light renovation work on the school premises.

### Evening:

Unwind with a well-prepared Fijian dinner.

## Day 11

Wednesday

### Morning:

Embark on a journey of discovery as you teach the children how to interact with their environment through songs and games.

### Afternoon:

Today, you will visit the Sri Siva Subramaniya Swami Temple, the largest Hindu temple in the Pacific, a masterpiece of architectural beauty.

### Evening:

Reflect on the cultural differences and the new experiences that you have enjoyed, over a flavourful dinner with the host.



## Day 12

Thursday

### Morning:

Today, you will continue with the educational activities with the kids. Watch as they learn and grow through fun and games.

### Afternoon:

Break for lunch and then spend the afternoon putting on the final touches of the renovation work at the kindergarten

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Pack for departure and bid farewell to all your new friends. Reflect on 2 amazing weeks with countless lessons and memories.



## Day 13

Friday

### Morning:

Today is the final day with the children. Engage them in a farewell activity as you reflect on the impact you have made.

### Afternoon:

Spend a few hours doing some final shopping for souvenirs as you pack and prepare for departure.

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Enjoy a farewell dinner with your new friends, Complete your ODQ and share about your amazing experience in a review.

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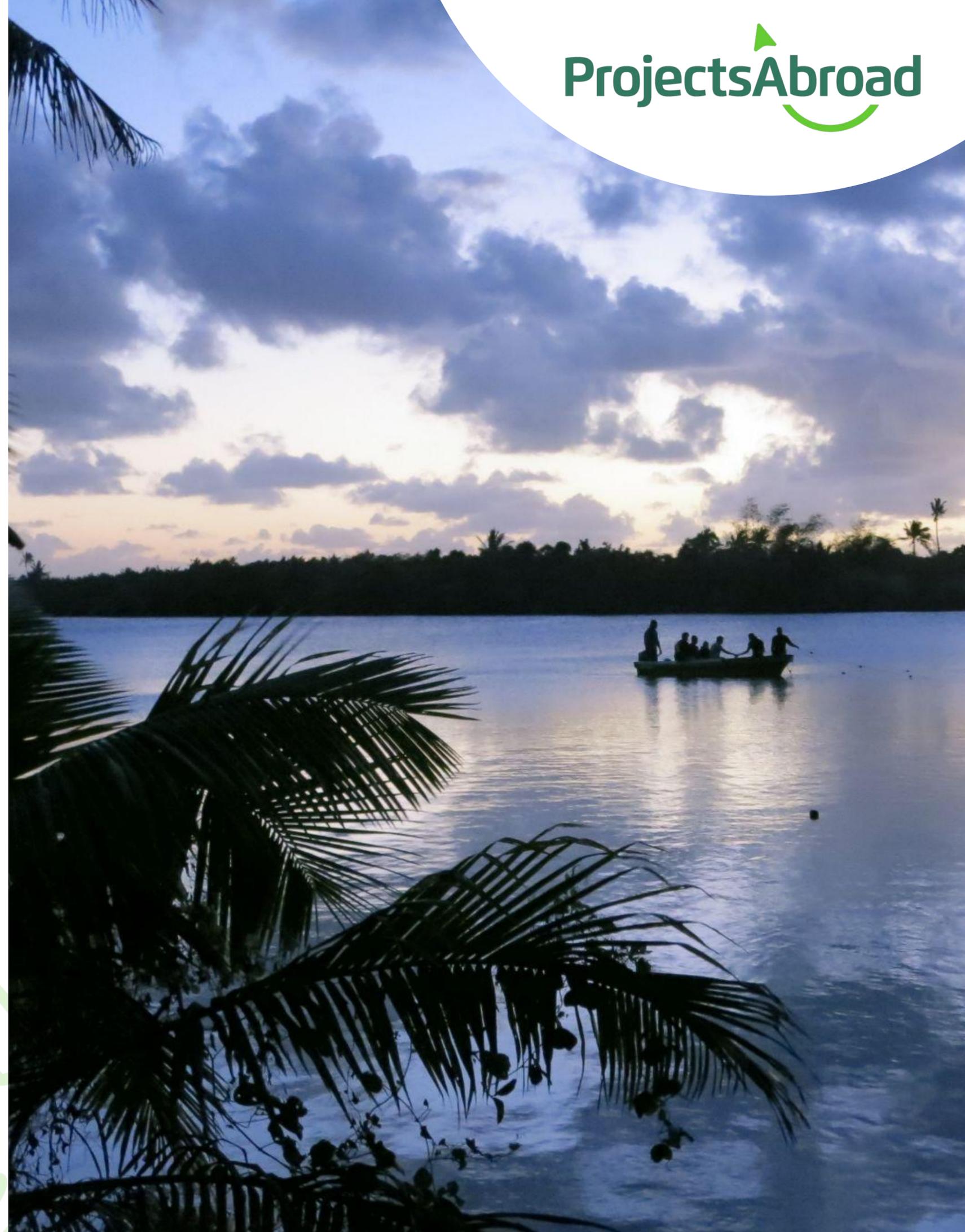
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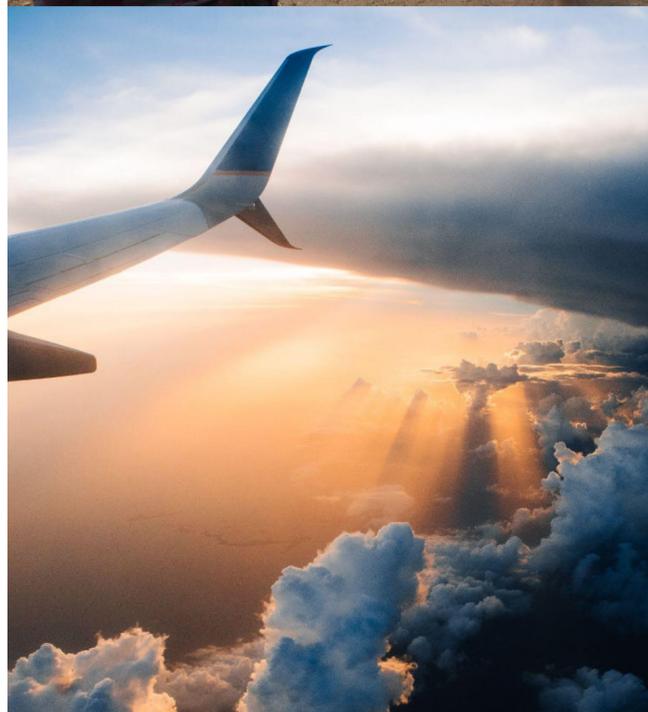


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## Day 12

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### Morning:

Rise early to assist your host family with the preparation for the cultural day. Get involved in scraping coconuts, wrapping meats in foil, cutting vegetables and peeling taro as you anticipate the traditional lovo celebration.

### Afternoon:

Enjoy the traditional lovo with all your new made friends and neighbours in the village.

### Evening:

Reflect on 2 amazing weeks with countless lessons and memories.

## Day 13

Friday

### Morning:

Join fun activities with the children as you focus on personal care and hygiene.

### Afternoon:

Resume the light renovation work at the kindergarten and enjoy the difference in appearance as a result of your efforts.

### Evening:

Sit with the family and reflect on the past week as you share about the new things you have learnt over dinner.

## Day 14

Saturday

### All day:

Grab your swimsuit and your sunscreen and pack your bag for a day at the Robinson Crusoe Island & Crab Catching Tour. Swim in the beautiful, clear water, soak up the sunshine and enjoy a flavourful lunch and dinner, with fire dancing to top it all off.

Return to the family for dinner before retiring for the night.

### All day:

Spend the day with your host family at church as you experience worship, the Fijian way. Greet and spend time with the village children as you enjoy a relaxing day in the village.

Enjoy a movie in the evening as you relax and prepare for another full week of activities.

## Day 16

Monday

### Morning:

Continue with care and educational activities at the kindergarten as you spend valuable time with the children.

### Afternoon:

Resume your painting and cleaning activities at the kindergarten.

### Evening:

Enjoy dinner at the host family.

## Day 17

Tuesday

### Morning:

Engage in creative activities as you provide one-on-one support for the children.

### Afternoon:

Resume cleaning and renovation activities at the kindergarten

### Evening:

Enjoy dinner with at the host family.

## Day 18

Wednesday

### Morning:

Engage in fun and educational activities that support early childhood development targets.

### Afternoon:

Resume cleaning and painting efforts at the kindergarten as you work together to achieve a complete facelift.

### Evening:

Share in a delicious dinner with your Fijian family.



## Day 19

Thursday

### Morning:

Continue with creative games and education activities for the kids.

### Afternoon:

Put on the finishing touches on the painting and renovation projects as you admire your handiwork.

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Unwind with dinner at the host family



## Day 20

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Share in a farewell party through quizzes and games with the children whom you taught and supported over 3 weeks.

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Discover the island's sandy shores, blue waters and sunny skies and explore the rich culture during your trip. Known for their warmth and humble nature, you'll feel at home the moment you step foot into this beautiful country.

### FUN FACTS

- ▶ The 2000 film "Castaway", starring Tom Hanks, was shot in Fiji.
- ▶ Located in the South Pacific Ocean, the country of Fiji is a group of about 330 islands.
- ▶ Fiji's first settlers arrived from other Pacific islands at least 3,500 years ago.
- ▶ Today it is estimated that Fiji's population is made up of about 38% of people of Indian descent. They are called Indo-Fijians.

Destination Information	
National Language:	English, Fijian and Fiji-Hindi
Population:	920,000
Currency:	Fijian Dollar
Time Zone:	(GMT+12)
Capital:	Suva
Calling Code:	+679
Dominant Religions:	Christianity, Hindu, Muslim
National Dish:	Kokoda
National Animal:	Iguana
National Bird:	Collared Lory

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