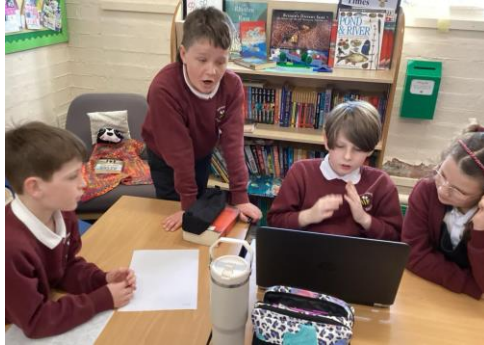
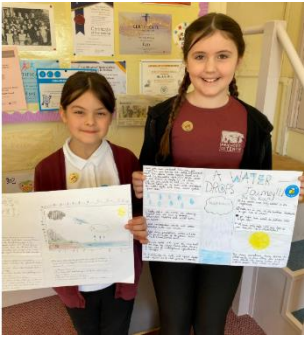


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This term in Oak class we have continued our topic of 'Water is life - no blue, no green'.

In English, we have been working on our non-fiction writing skills. We started out explaining the water cycle using lots of technical vocabulary from our science work, such as 'condensation', 'evaporation' and 'precipitation'. We have also written some fantastic persuasive letters, after researching how much pollution there is in our rivers and debating who might be to blame.



We also celebrated World Book Day with a day of activities sharing our love of reading, including a Masked Reader assembly and Ultimate Character Battle, where we each chose a favourite book character and tried to convince everyone else why they are the best! We created 'reading rivers' to show ALL the reading we do - from recipes to road signs as well as our reading books, and enjoyed paired reading and stop, drop and read.

Following World Book Day, we had an exciting visit from author Sophie Kirtley, writer of one of our favourite class texts: 'The Wild Way Home'. She talked to us about her inspiration for writing and set our imaginations alight with ideas for our own stories.



In maths, Oak class have been getting to grips with decimals and percentages, area and perimeter, angles, co-ordinates and translations. Wow - that's a lot of maths in one term! We keep our calculation brains ticking over with daily 'Flashback and Fluency', and year 4 are working hard on their times tables with Mastering Number ahead of the Multiplication Tables Check which is coming up in June.

In geography we have continued learning about rivers, including how rivers are used, what causes flooding, and why rivers get polluted. We even took a trip to our local 'river' (well, more of a stream really) to look for the features of rivers that we have been learning about. We saw erosion, deposition and, unfortunately, some litter pollution, which we collected up and brought back with us to put in the bin.

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In our science work we have been mixing and separating materials, thinking about which changes are reversible and irreversible. It was fascinating to see the salt left behind after dissolving when we left the water to evaporate, and we had lots of messy fun during British Science Week, carrying out a carousel of investigations.

In RE, Oak have been thinking about why Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday', learning about the Last Supper and what the Gospel texts mean to Christians.

In PSHE we carried out our Enterprise Project this term - planning, making, advertising and selling our own products for our first Somerby Spring Fair, which was a resounding success. Oak class made their £10 grow into a very impressive £110 by making and selling recycled plastic bottle windmills and painted stones.



For PE this term, Oak have been developing their hockey and tri-golf skills and have had the opportunity to attend sporting events including handball and futsal.

In between all of that we've practised songs for our annual Mother's Day assembly, completed our spring term assessments, enjoyed No Pens Day and Red Nose Day and been welcomed to church for Easter activities with Reverend Jane and her team.

Another busy term in Oak class!