

Pond Dipping report by Isabella Botto Poala

Today, we went to the Natural History Museum for Pond Dipping. It was an excellent experience and thanks to Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Rogers we could take part in this beautiful morning.

Pond dipping is when you go to a pond and you have to dip a net in the pond and identify the unique species.

Firstly, we were a bit early, so we went to the gallery with Mrs. Kelly and Miss. Dee. It was called "Fixing Our Broken Planet". I saw the most spectacular things I had ever laid my eyes on. One of these magnificent things was a video about rubbish across the U.K., Europe and America. These problems are very important because we have no "Planet B", so we need to take care of our marvellous habitat and love it.

Secondly, we went to the garden and to the learning centre. There was a person called Andrew who was guiding us through the extraordinary moment. This hour and a half was divided in two steps:

1. Identifying different underwater species

We used a diagram to figure out which creatures we caught. This exercise was quite hard because some of them were very small.

2. Catching the insects underwater

We got our nets and dipped them in the pond and with luck we captured the creatures living in the pond.

*It was a real pleasure to go on this fun learning trip with all of Year 4.
Thanks again, to everyone who was involved in planning this trip for us.*

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