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Southrop C of E Primary

Together We Can Fly!

At Southrop we believe that many great learning opportunities are to be gained by getting out of the classroom to learn in a hands on way. To this end the Reception and Year 1 children have been enjoying weekly trips to Macaroni Woods for forest school: immersing themselves in the beauty of the forest, bark rubbing, making art out of nature, learning about the creatures, plants and sounds of the forest and how to keep safe there.

Each week Year 5&6 are pushing themselves to beat their own personal best at the Far Peaks climbing wall. They are now confidently fitting their harnesses, tying Trace-Eight tie-in knots and supporting a climbing partner with a belay.

Our topics this term are about all things watery, Under the Sea for the Cygnets, and Rivers and Coasts for the Swans. To support learning we welcomed local diver, Phil Bowley, into school to give a fascinating talk about the equipment he uses and creatures he has encountered.

The Cygnets took a fabulous trip to Bristol Aquarium and were brimming with questions for Pirate Ben: Are sharks mammals? How many teeth do they have? And do they smell boys' or girls' blood more?!

The Swans visited Coleshill, observing the path of the river, the erosion, deposition and meanders that have been created, measuring the depth and flow at different points of the river bed and using nets to find out what creatures make their habitat there. They also got to visit the mill.

If you have a child who will be starting in Reception in September 2023 please come along to one of our open morning sessions to find out more about our nurturing, small Christian school:

9.30 – 10.30 am

5th & 13th October

2nd & 16th November

7th December

You can also see a video which will give a feel for the character of our school on our website: <http://www.southrop.gloucs.sch.uk/>

Call or email to reserve an appointment. admin@southrop.gloucs.sch.uk 01367 850246. We have some spaces available in other year groups. Additional information and slideshows can be found on the website and Facebook.