

Key Stage 1 go to the Otley science fair



This week Key Stage 1 had a special treat – a trip to Otley science fair!

The topic this year was ‘Amazing Air’ and it was run by the wonderful Dr Sarah Bearchell.

‘We are told air is all around us, but how do we KNOW? Where is the PROOF?! In this interactive show, we’ll be working together to make some observations, then doing some experiments to touch, hear, see, smell and taste the air. We’ll gather lots of evidence to prove that air really is there!’

The children watched in awe as Dr Bearchell used an ‘air cannon’ to shoot cups from a perch at an impressive distance. She made balloons float in mid-air with the help of a huge fan and sent bubbles flying around the room.

Part of the show that was a firm favourite of the children was where Dr Bearchell squirted different essential oils into the air and they were asked to guess what the smells were. We even got to taste the air (peppermint)!

The children had clearly listened carefully as when it came to question time we had some very interesting and well-thought-out questions for Dr Bearchell. I wonder what the children can remember?

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