

River Study

On Monday afternoon we got in the minibus and went to the source, which is the beginning of the River Glaven. We paddled in the river with our wellingtons. First our teacher showed us how to measure how fast the river was flowing, then the depth and width. After that we went to the next part of the river. We had to walk down with our groups. Finally with our groups we measured the flow rate and depth and width.

On Wednesday we went to a ford which is a river but you can cross it with your car. The river was getting deeper and deeper each place we went but we still managed to paddle across the river. At Wivenhoe church there was a sea in Tudor times.

Next we went into the church and had to answer questions on our sheet. There was a boat carved on the wall of the church that was a prayer to god to keep the boats safe and the people inside them. Next up was a river at Home Farm that had lots of bends in it which were called meanders. People had put walls up to stop the water wearing away the ground (erosion). Arriving at Cley, we walked up the river and watched the water pass. In front, there was a Sluice gate that controlled the water to be at a certain level.

Finally, we went to the beach but it wasn't the best because it was windy and all the sea fog was coming in. The waves were very big so we were not allowed too close.