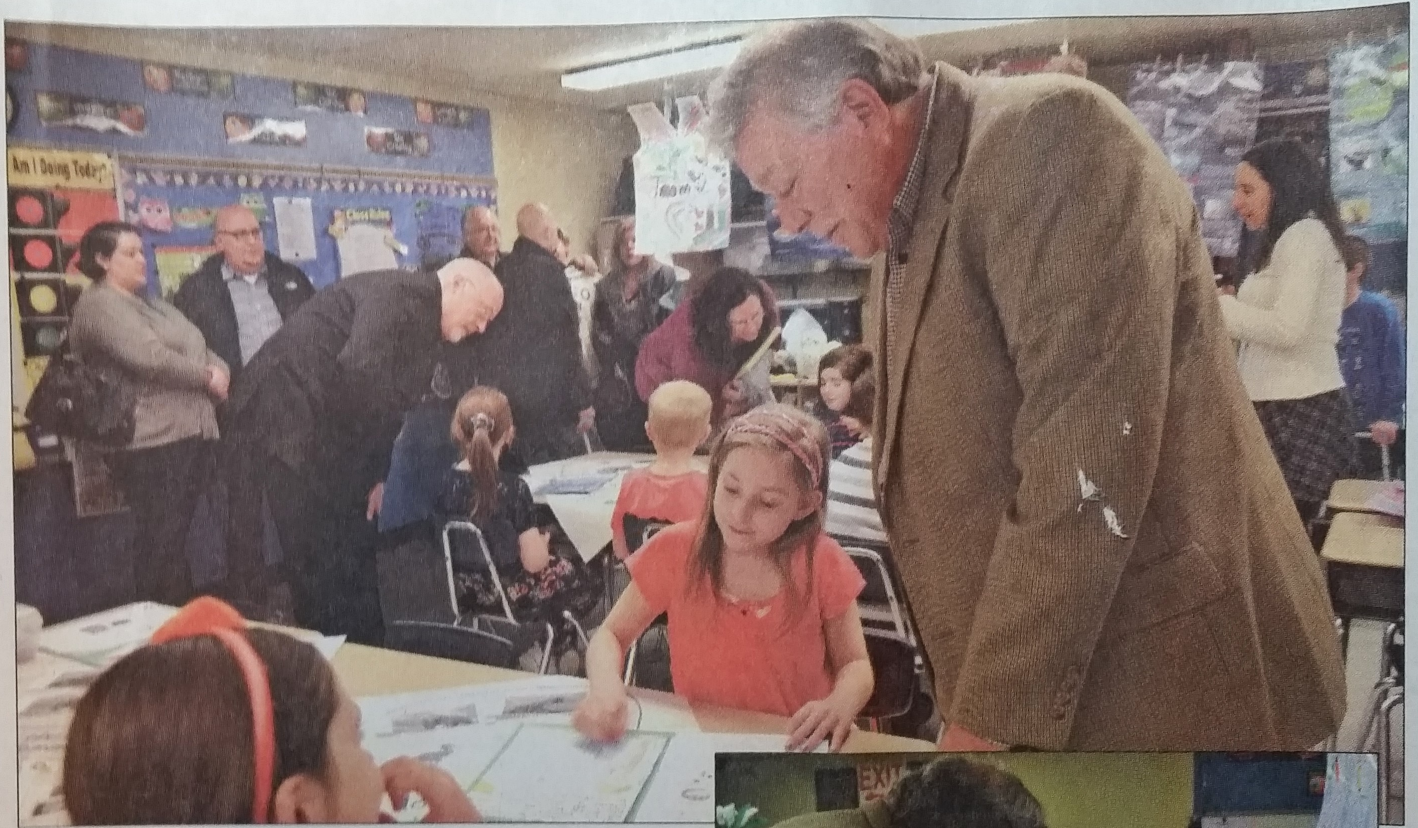


DOWN TO A SCIENCE AT TIOGUE



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ABOVE: Rhianna Pretrin shows Coventry School Committee Vice Chairman Dave Florio her project.
RIGHT: Florio and School Committee Chair Kathy Patenaude are shown projects.

Tiogue students show off science skills, knowledge

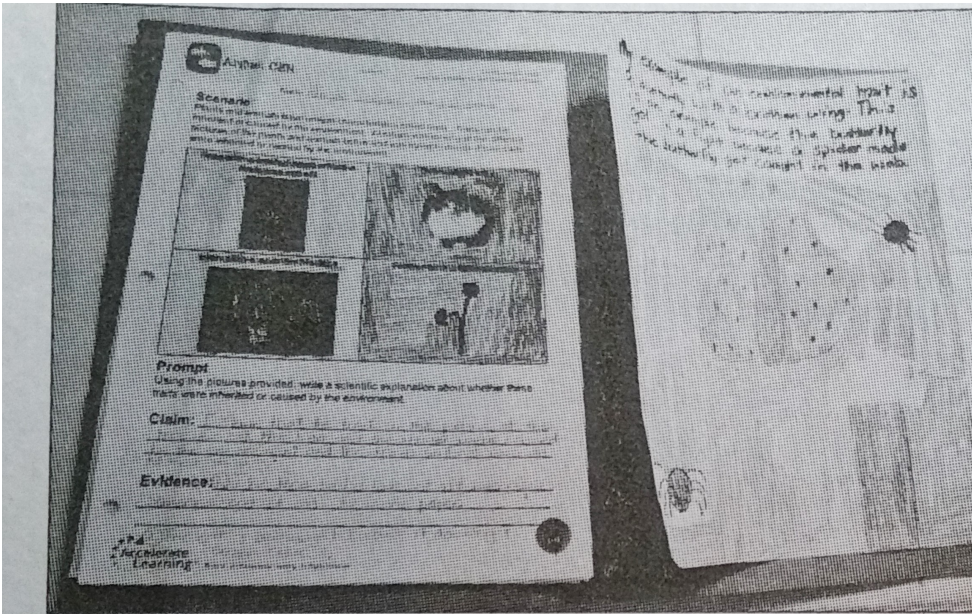
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COVENTRY — Tiogue Elementary School students shared their thirst for science as part of Tuesday night's school committee meeting when grades divided up into three sections to show committee members what they've been working on.

Third-grade science teacher Dr. Donna Raptakis invited parents and Coventry School Committee Chairwoman Kathy Patenaude, Coventry School Committee Vice Chairman Dave Florio and Coventry School Superintendent Mike Convery to her class where students did projects giving

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Along with demonstrations of their learning, third-graders at Tiogue Elementary also showed off some of their science work at Tuesday's Coventry School Committee meeting.

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examples of various types of animal traits and the difference between inherited and environmental.

"I learned that if an animal hurts its paw, its offspring won't also have a hurt paw because it's something that happened in the environment,"

said Rhianna Petrin.

The class learned about claims, evidence and reasoning.

Raptakis also explained that the school won a grant from the Rhode Island Foundation that will be used to purchase microscopes.