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Grade three students Jayden Budin, Mason Smerda, Roman Fredette, Cadance Fagan and Caroline Henchin, who were involved in the recent assignment.

Deep thinking at Washington Oak

Third-graders engaged in science

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COVENTRY — The third-grade class of Dr. Raptakis' class at Hopkins Hill Elementary School in Coventry took science and questions about things in the environment or when the environment itself can change.

As a class assignment, Raptakis asked the students to pretend they were an animal that does not have moveable fingers or a thumb. In order to eat, they must learn how to get their food source using simple materials and design an

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object that could meet their survival needs.

"Animals must learn how to meet their needs for food, shelter and water. In a new environment, there may be food available but it may be buried down a little under ground," she said.

Students had two hours to complete the project then they were displayed on the bulletin board.