

Oak Lake Community School Oak Lake, Manitoba Canada

Our class did two sample collections, at the same place (2 weeks apart).

May 1, 2014

Location: Eternal Springs Pond, Oak Lake, Manitoba

We observed one dragonfly nymph, one snail and one spider.

Hypothesis: We did not see much evidence of life in our samples because of the colder weather we have been experiencing. Cold weather has not yet given way to spring. We think that the schools in warmer climates will see more life in their samples, because the bugs and plants need warmer weather to "wake up". We also think that if we collect samples at the same place in two weeks, we will see more things.

May 15, 2014

Location: Eternal Springs Pond, Oak Lake, Manitoba

We observed a lot more! We saw a damselfly nymph, mosquito larvae, a water flea, a mosquito, a worm, a snail and lots of green algae on the bottom sample. The weather is on average a few degrees warmer and all snow is now gone. There is more evidence of spring, and things are "waking up" in our environment. Our prediction came true. We still think, however, that schools in warmer climates, south of us, will see more numbers and more variety in their samples, since spring typically arrives sooner.



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