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The Beyond the Book Experiences at Topeka Collegiate speak for themselves. They are memorable for the students and better yet, they are frequent. Teachers bring the academics to life through real-world experiences. Today's Dean's Report highlights Mrs. Berryman's kindergarten class and their visit to the Kansas Museum of History.

Kansas Museum of History Walking Tour (Kindergarten)

Yesterday, Mrs. Berryman and her students journeyed to the Kansas Museum of History for an afternoon of exploration. The students spent the afternoon walking the trails and looking for tracks of the creatures that inhabit the area. They even crossed the “wibbly-wobbly” bridge on along the way. There was lots of excitement as they discovered new or recently-studied facets of nature.

“We found orange! Even if we can’t put it in here (the bag), we have an orange butterfly!”

The children encountered lots of bugs, and named as many as they could. A few of the leaves are already changing color, an important observation on the part of a few children. And because Kansas does not have bears, the children ended the day with Teddy Graham snacks before heading back to school.

This trip always enhances the students’ study and awareness of woodland animals and their habitats, and this year did not disappoint. Studying the trees and flowers they encounter reinforces their knowledge of animal diet and shelter.

As usual, the parents were instrumental in making this field trip happen. Thanks to all the drivers and sponsors for their continued support of Topeka Collegiate programming. The partnership between school and home is vital to the success of our students and our school.

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