

CABRILLO BEACH MARINE AQUARIUM OCEAN OUTREACH PROGRAM

Tuesday, March 10th, 2009

The above school program visited us for an in-house field trip. They were here to conduct an interactive Zoology lesson with the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders who were introduced to vertebrates and invertebrates through dissections.

The children participated in two programs. The first: **“Ten Arms and an Attitude – squid dissection.”** They got face to face with some denizens of the deep such as octopus, squid and their relatives, and learned what makes squid special as students paired up to wrestle with tentacles, during the squid dissection. They looked for and pulled out the eyeballs and other internal parts and very carefully touched the ink sack so as not to make a big mess!

The second program, **“No Guts, No Glory”**, the students learned about the external and internal anatomy and function of fish as they were able to peer inside a fish as they dissected it. They were able to find the Stomach, intestines, gall bladder and the heart which they found very interesting.

The students enjoyed themselves and learned valuable lessons in Zoology!