

Inhale the future

The case of the curious trout



the riverbank will shelter the curious trout

*Inhale the future
Exhale the past
Life moves quickly
Gotta swim fast*



We reach the end of the river for now. The last workshop of the series for the moment. Here at Ightenhill, Steve and I met our last group and celebrating with our last song and unfolding our last river

The Hatching 2015 has almost fulfilled its mission. This year 10 schools hatched trout eggs as part of the Ribble Rivers Trust's hatch and release scheme for Burnley rivers

*Bossy bigger brothers, I'm not
Sharing my food with you no more
Gonna have to catch it, so I
Cannot be a lazy trout*

River in the classroom 2015

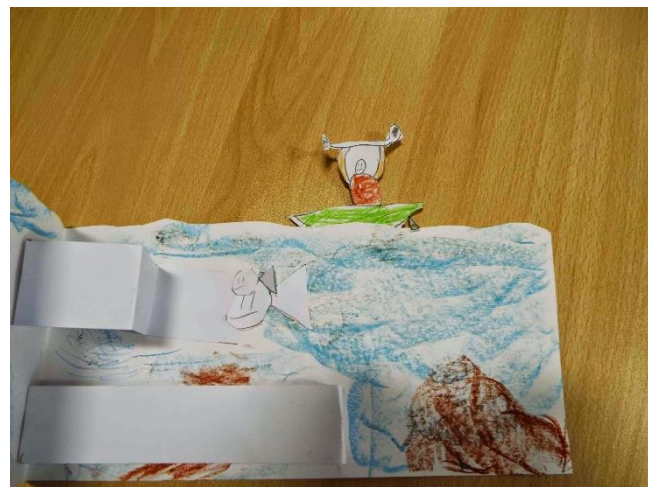


The fingerlings of Ightenhill go into their river next week and those brave little fish will inhale and exhale their way out into the rocks and rapids and racing waters of the Ribble Valley catchment

All our workshops this year have been great fun (they were last year, as well! see The Hatching) but the Ightenhill trout-keepers seemed to have an extra degree of wonderful wateryness with some delightful fish-dancing to accompany their singing and some beautiful rippling water patterns in their pop-ups



*Magnificent manoeuvres, we've
Got to dart away
Predators are coming, slyly
Pike will stalk us every day*



*Think I'm gonna cry now, teardrops
Run like rapids down my face
Reflecting on the river, all these
Memories will not float away*

Many thanks to the Trout-keepers, artists, musicians, composers and dancers of Ightenhill School.

Ightenhill Primary School, Burnley with artists Creeping Toad and Steve Brown