

Deene's Termly Highlights

Edition Six

Wednesday 24th May 2023

Hello there, well, the last time we wrote to you was at the end of the spring term and here we are at the end of another amazing term in Deene! Where do the weeks go? This term sure has flown by with bank holidays in the mix of it all too!

There is so much to fit into our school day but we just about manage it, and always do so with the biggest smiles on our faces. Over the term we have achieved some incredible things and sure are showing the grown-ups that we're almost ready for life beyond Deene.

Our literacy work has been phenomenal, and we really have blown all the grown-ups away with our story telling and writing. Mrs Howorth has been particularly impressed! So a great big well done to us! We have loved imitating new texts and have such wonderful ideas when changing the texts. The language that we have used is simply amazing! We've been thinking about punctuation, adjectives and even conjunctions! All things not expected in an EYFS classroom! We do like to challenge ourselves though. We really are shining superstars!

As mathematicians we've been working with numbers to 20 and beyond. Consolidating our counting and subitising skills and continuing to develop our understanding of the composition of numbers. (Which we have to say is really impressive!) We've been challenging ourselves with addition and subtraction and have enjoyed lots of first, then, now stories. Doubling numbers has been great fun this week and we're loving our doubling numbers songs.

Last week we had a wonderful day out hunting for minibeast and pond dipping. Ava very quickly caught a newt and was very eager to bring it home for our class pet! We found wiggly worms, woodlouse, beetles and even a frog...something Mrs Lacatusu was less than impressed with! We were all incredible, and as always, represented Great Addington fantastically.

Within our learning environment there is always so much going on. Outdoors is always extremely popular. In the building area we've had many wonderful projects on the go. From building new homes, to dinosaur enclosures, boats and vehicles. Yesterday we set off on a journey to the moon. The ideas, collaboration and working as a team was wonderful. We considered everything from space equipment that we needed to seat belts in the aircraft. We take safety very seriously in Deene! There's always a performance on the stage and as you know, the mud kitchen is always a favourite with us all and the orders for refreshments are constant!

So much creativity outdoors and indoors too. Our artist study this week has been on Stephen Brown and Henri Rousseau. Our own interpretations have been wonderful and we're sure they could pass as originals! We've had some wonderful building projects on indoors too. We're quite the architects in fact. We've enjoyed looking at famous landmarks in London and used the loose parts fantastically to create them.

So, time to rest and relax over the half term ready to return for our final chapter as the amazing Team Deene. Let's make this final term the best one yet!

Happy holidays everyone!

Team Deene



Another term has just flown by, we're extremely proud of the children and their love and enthusiasm for their learning. Our final term together in Deene is almost upon us. In this term we will be spending lots of time preparing the children for their next chapter here at Great Addington as they take their next steps in their journey to Lilford class. We plan to make the transition as smooth as it possibly can be and look forward to lots of opportunities to spend time in Lilford, meet our new class members and most importantly, have lots of fun! As always, please don't hesitate to come and see us if you have any queries or questions. Have a lovely half term break.

Mrs Kyberd and Mrs Wonfor