



Friday 10th June

This week's learning has been led by the children's interests. We have a large group who love diggers and construction, so we enjoyed a whole week of digger fun! Our theme has been woven into our regular activities such as counting and mark making. We have used diggers to scoop up and count out stones and have used mark making and early writing skills to create lists, diagrams and design construction hats. Our tuff tray area has been busy as the children visited it to crush cereal with mashers, squeeze sponges full of soapy water and pat, roll and squeeze playdough. Whilst tuff tray activities encourage messy active play they also have many other benefits which include:

Developing imagination

Developing problem solving skills

Encouraging turn taking

Developing fine motor skills

Open themed play

The child can use the given resources in a number of ways and can make choices in their play.

We were lucky to have a visit from Katherine, a Molesey parent, who helped us set up our wormery. The children will be recycling food waste into fabulous fertilizer for the garden. Thank you to Thomas for bringing in a book full of lots of amazing worm facts.

This week saw the release of our butterflies. The children have loved watching the growth and changes that have happened and can talk in detail about the life cycle of a butterfly.

School preparation

This week our school group have been looking at the letters in their names and have been talking about letter sounds, practicing holding a pencil in an effective grip and for those that are ready, writing out their name.

Thursday 21st July – End of Term

All children must be collected at 12:00pm

You are then welcome to stay and join us for a picnic in the garden until 2:00pm. Please bring along a blanket and a picnic for you and your child. Fingers crossed for a lovely sunny afternoon!

Graduation

Those children who are leaving us for Reception (not those going to another nursery) will have a little graduation ceremony at the picnic. Our lovely parent Sophie Ludwell will take photos of your children, which she will add to her website for you to purchase if you wish. <https://sophieludwellphotography.com/> If your child is a school leaver and you will not be able to attend the picnic on Thursday 21st July, please let us know in advance.

Makaton this week

To wait

Song of the week:

Peter Hammers

Term Dates

Summer Term 13 weeks

Tues 21st June – 9:10am Sports Day

Wed 29th June – Farm Visit

Thurs 21st July - End of term at **12:00pm**

21st July – Picnic and graduation

<https://www.flyingstartmolesey.com/term-dates>

Value of the Month is:

Honesty

Honesty is the ability to be truthful and sincere. Not only honest in your words but in your actions too. We want all at Flying Start to see that it is important to speak the truth, act truthfully and take responsibility for the actions and decisions we make.

- ◆ Honesty is telling what really happened.
- ◆ Honesty is telling the truth.
- ◆ Honesty is when you don't tell a lie, you don't cheat.
- ◆ Honesty is keeping your promises.
- ◆ When I feel honest, I feel clear inside.
- ◆ When I am honest, I can learn and help others learn to be giving.
- ◆ The heart of honesty is fairness.
- ◆ Honesty creates trust.