

# THE BIG BUG EXPERIENCE

During Science week Martin Rapley treated us to the Big bug experience! We got to hold and touch giant millipedes, praying mantis, flying stick insects and much more! Martin started by showing us some stick insects! Most people think of stick insects as small thin brown well camouflaged insects but the ones Martin showed us were a bit different. Two were bright green, nearly florescent! One (my favourite) was camouflaged as a pink orchid flower. Another had pink wings and Martin even managed to get it to fly a few metres.

Some of the scariest were the red knee tarantula and the scorpion. We were allowed to touch both but some people were a bit reluctant. We really enjoyed the big bug experience and would like to say a big thank you to all the staff that made this possible and of course Martin himself!

