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DEEP OPENS NEW EXPLORERS' DEN

The Deep is unveiling its new Amazon Explorers' Den for February half term. The new den will feature live insects and carnivorous plants and features a live link to the Brazilian Amazon, where The Deep is now sponsoring a ranger.

The Deep's latest exhibit has been designed and created in-house by the exhibition design team, which includes the guides.

Deep Guide Claire Mitchell, who helped design the den explains, "We now know how much families value a chance for the children to be involved in all sorts of arts and discovery activities so we've designed the den for young explorers. This will give them the chance to find out more about the creatures and plants living in the Amazon rainforest. They'll be able to see real bugs from this spectacular habitat including horsehead grasshoppers, black beauty stick insects and bulls head cockroaches. Visitors can even go virtual birdwatching in Brazil by watching the webcam in the den which links us live to the Brazilian rainforest, where we have sponsored a ranger to carry out vital conservation work."

The Explorers' Den is running bug sessions along with butterfly and bug mask making daily throughout half term, 19th – 27th February.

Please see website for details www.thedeep.co.uk

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