



Doubletrees School Newsletter



Head Teacher's welcome:

What a fantastic action packed term we have had! We enjoyed Arts Week with many musical and dance performances, we achieved the Eco Schools green flag award and we have also deservedly collected the bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. It was lovely to see everyone's hard work come to fruition whilst having fun and engaging with the sessions. We are still awaiting our draft OFSTED report and I very much looking forward to sharing the final report with you, as soon as it is published early in the Autumn term.

I would like to wish our school leavers this year a fantastic future and transition to their college or new provisions. We will miss you all so much. We also look forward to welcoming our new learners joining us on their Doubletrees journey in September.

As there will not be a newsletter next week, I hope you all have a fantastic and well deserved summer break, and we very much look forward to seeing all of our learners and school community in September for the Autumn term. Thank you all for your ongoing support
Heidi Hoskin. Head teacher

Key Diary Dates

Tuesday 25th July
2023 End of term
15:30 hrs.

Monday 4th, Tuesday
5th and Wednesday 6th
September 2023 are
INSET days. School
closed to learners.

Thursday 7th
September 2023
Autumn term starts and
learners back to school.



Child Protection Information

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child at Doubletrees School please contact Guy Chappell or Heidi Hoskin (Designated Safeguarding Leads) on 01726 812757. Alternatively you could report your concern to Cornwall Central Referral Unit for Child Protection on 0300 123 1116.

Achieve

This week we have been finishing our art work from our KS3 pottery sessions in Arts Week. Back in June, Frances Strickland and the potters from Merlin's Paw Pottery came to help us work with clay. The learners imprinted the clay using their favourite items from the classroom and Frances has now fired our work in her kiln. We have been painting and glazing the work ready to take home this week.

Belong

Shared stories. In Redwood class we like to share stories. It helps us to be consistent in our attention and response to familiar people, events and objects and it supports our sense of belonging.

Communicate

School Improvement & Community Engagement

We are very proud of our post 14 team who embarked on their 2-day Duke of Edinburgh expedition in July - something they'd been training for all term. The team undertook the mini adventure with a focus on their communication skills, community engagement, team work, photography and litter picking. They successfully navigated around the school grounds ending up in the neighbouring cricket ground. The participants cooked for themselves, making smores, popcorn, beans and sausages, hotdogs and chocolate bananas. It wasn't all hard work, Cherry class ended their adventure with an exciting, rainy game of cricket - thank goodness they packed their waterproofs! After all their hard work and dedication over the last 6 months our learners will be graduating with a Full Bronze DofE Award with certificates in physical endeavour, volunteering and an individual Skill. Well done all!

Parental Engagement

Planning for events is in full swing, with a Welcome Coffee morning for parents/carers in the first week of October. Our SITT (Special Intervention Therapy Team) will be joining us to introduce themselves and share the services they can offer. We look forward to seeing many more of you there! Full details of date and time will follow via the parent Facebook Group and email from myself, Gemma Stockley.



Develop

To support our topic this term 'Our Local Area' Maple class visited Par beach to develop our community engagement. They had lots of fun building sandcastles, picking up litter and flying kites. We then enjoyed a picnic lunch before returning to school on the bus. Each learner showed fantastic engagement throughout the day.

Enjoy

Apple class have been out enjoying community walks to the park. We have been using our senses to explore nature's treasures, and made the trip a fun sensory experience.

Next Steps, Transition & Moving on

Dear Post 14 parents.

Here is a brilliant opportunity for any of our Post 14 learners and/or their families who are exploring 'Next Steps' opportunities in Cornwall. A range of providers will be there to offer advice and ensure you know the choices your young people move on from Doubletrees. Attendance will compliment our Your Child's Future careers event that we hold at Doubletrees in the Spring term. It is never too early to start thinking about options and planning for the future.

Any family who wants to attend with their child, let the school know via the home/school book and it will be marked as an authorised educational absence on the day.

Best wishes,

Rachel Facey class teacher and Post 14 lead.

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Young Peoples Preparing for Adulthood and Moving On Event

September 13th
10.00am-2.30pm
Long Galley Eden
Project

For those with young people Post 14

Organisations attending include
Colleges
Internships
Workforce providers
Education providers
Adults Social Care Transition
and many more



This is a pop in event,
so no need to book