



Doubletrees School Newsletter



Head Teacher's welcome:

We have had a busy Autumn term so far! Our EHCP reviews have started this week and it has been lovely to see parents coming in to the school and joining via TEAMS to discuss their child's progress and targets for this academic year. We really value your input to these meetings as this ensures the education, health and care that we deliver to your child is fully supportive and tailored to each individual's need.

We have enjoyed sporting activities this half term, with swimming with the Go Active team who attend our school to support class teams with our PE and sports curriculum. Our learners had so much fun with visits from the Moonbeam theatre and M&M productions, and we fully showcased our singing and dancing skills with a sensory twist. Our post 14 team have made a great effort with the forest school poly tunnel, and have grown and picked their own pumpkins for the harvest festival. Thank you to everyone that contributed to the harvest collection. I know the Salvation Army representative Dan Searle was very grateful, and he joined in the celebrations with our harvest themed assembly.

I would like to wish you all a lovely half term break with your families and see you all on the 30th October. Heidi Hoskin. Head Teacher.

Key Diary Dates:

Monday 23.10.2023—Friday 27.10.2023—
Half Term.

Monday 30.10.2023—Learners return to
school.

Thursday 09.11.2023—Parent Coffee
Morning at 10:15. Orchard building.

Monday 13.11.2023—Harlequin
Photography booked for our Whole School
photographs. 09:30 am

Friday 17.11.2023— Children in Need. Wear
lots of spots to school! Details to follow in
the next newsletter.

Monday 27.11.2023—Parental Engagement
Event 'Total Communication' @ Doubletrees
Orchard building at 10:15 am.

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 the learners in Little Orchard displayed amazing behaviours and transitioned to the main school to join in with our Harvest Festival in the school hall.

They enjoyed giving Dan from The Salvation Army their contributions for the food bank and listened to where the food will go and how it will help other people.

Belong

In Elm class, as part of our life skills, we had a great time baking lemon drizzle cake (many of us especially loved the smell of the lemon) and then asking people to try the cake to tell us what they think- do they like it or not? In our outdoor learning, we re-potted beautiful cyclamen plants, being careful not to damage the leaves or flowers.

Communicate

Redwood class explored textures and smells of different vegetables in preparation for our harvest assembly. We use our senses to understand the world around us.

Develop

Heligan Gardens very kindly donated some seasonal vegetables for our Harvest Assembly. Apple class have enjoyed exploring the textures, colours, tastes and smells and really enjoyed developing their communication through sensory experience.

Enjoy

It was a pleasure to have Dan Searle, minister at The Salvation Army St Austell branch visit Doubletrees to receive our donation and deliver to the foodbank on our behalf. We managed to give a staggering 51kg of food over to the foodbank in St Austell as a result of our Harvest festival assemblies. Learners enjoyed singing together and putting food items into Dan's magical box of balloons. Thank you to everyone who donated or took part in our Harvest celebrations.



Don't forget our Parent event on Monday 27th November 10.15am - 11.30am. We will be delivering 'An intro to using a Total Communication Approach to support your child's communication: including learning some core Makaton signs and receiving some symbol resources to take home!



We are pleased to let you now that we have booked Harlequin Photography this year, to take our whole school photographs. They will attend our school at 09:30 am on Monday 13.11.2023. Harlequin will provide all parents with a log in and pin to enable photographs to be viewed and purchased on line.

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Parental Engagement

On Thursday 9th November at 10.15am I am hosting our first Parent/ Carer coffee morning for the year. Please come along and meet other parents, have a tea/coffee and a biscuit.

Becky Howard (TIS/SEMH Practitioner) and Victoria Newman (Specialist Intervention coordinator) will be available for the session. There will be the opportunity to find out about strategies to support your child at home, looking at the science of how the brain works, the benefits of play and modelling play to children and how to help your child with co-regulation and what this means.

I look forward to seeing you there. Information links will be available afterwards on the school website for those who are unable to attend this time. *Gemma Stockley. Family Engagement Lead.*

Celebrating Success at Doubletrees. Half term Collage

