



## DOUBLETREES SCHOOL

Autumn Term (2)

Friday 29th November 2024

### Head Teacher's welcome:

We have had a fantastic day today, with everyone wearing their wacky 'Movember' hairstyles, wigs and glitter! The whole school got involved, showing our support to this important cause for men's mental health.

As Christmas approaches, please look out for the festive fun that our team have lined up over the whole school cohort. I am very much looking forward to seeing our learners lovely handmade gifts being sold at our Christmas Fayre on the 12th December. Please come along to support us.

We received our health and safety inspection this week and our school improvement partner visit. Both visits went well, and they demonstrated the continued dedication of our whole school team. Wishing you a lovely weekend. *Heidi Hoskin. Head Teacher*



### Medical Absences from school.

We understand that medical appointments, although necessary can have an impact on your child's attendance at school. Please ensure that if your child has an unavoidable appointment in the school day, that you contact the school in advance and email a copy of the appointment letter to us (screen shots of appointment text messages are also accepted) We are then able to mark your child's register code as a medical absence for the duration. Failure to provide evidence of a medical appointment(s) will result in your child being marked as an unauthorised absence. Please contact us if you have any questions regarding this.

### Reminders:

**11.12.24 -  
Discovery Pathway  
Christmas Service  
St Blazey church  
2:00 pm. See class  
invites for details.**

**12.12.24 at 1:30  
Doubletrees  
School Fayre**

### 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.*



# EYFS



Some learners from EYFS attended Bikeability at Par Track where they worked on their gross motor skills through trying out various bikes. We had lots of fun picking up the speed around the track and showing confidence with steering safely.

In Oak class, we have been focusing on colour sorting during maths as well as understanding big and small.

We have also been working on tracing lines in sensory materials for our handwriting practice. During phonics bucket time, we learnt about the letter 'P' and had fun foam splatting all the P word pictures



In Holly, we are continuing to learn about our topic of Dinosaurs. We have been exploring a range of different dinosaurs through sensory activities. In Holly, we have been experiencing digging in different sensory trays to find dinosaur bones and matching them to images to create a dinosaur.

# HOLLY

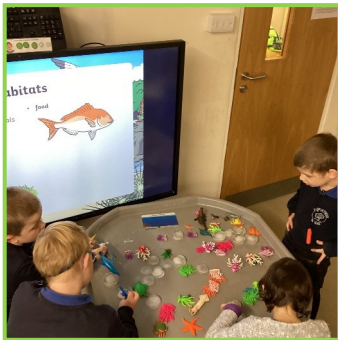
In Rowan class, we have been working hard on creating our Carnival headdresses for our parent engagement event in December! We cannot wait to show our families what we have made!

# ROWAN



# CEDAR

This week in cedar class we have been learning about different habitats in our environment. We began by exploring the ocean and then the beach through sensory materials.



This week maple class have completed some super research in English ahead of creating their own information booklets all about Cornwall. We had a look at lots of leaflets and books about the county, discussing places we had been to as well as making observations in tourism videos advertising the county.



# MAPLE

# ORCHARD

In Little Orchard class, we have been practicing our baking skills. We have been focusing on hand hygiene when touching food and how to be safe around food.

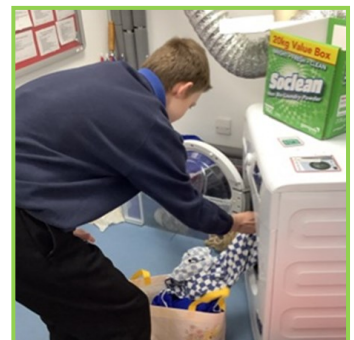
This week, we made Christmas tree biscuits!

The learners favourite part was being able to taste them afterwards!



In Elm class, we work on our independent living skills every day and currently we are working on the task of washing our clothes. A few of our learners can almost complete the whole process. We practiced finding the washing machine, loading and setting a program and then hanging out the clothes to dry.

Some of our learners are working on different steps such as putting the items into a laundry basket or folding them to be put away.



# ELM



# WILLOW

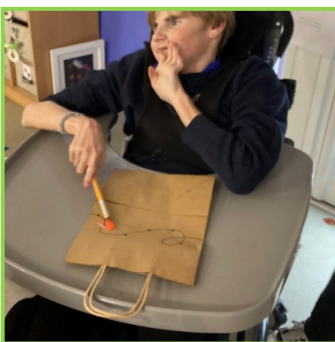
In PSHE, Willow class have been looking at our feelings, identifying how different things make us feel. We have explored how we might feel when we are feeling poorly and what we can do, this included telling an adult we are poorly and washing our hands. The learners explored different ways to tell an adult that we are poorly; one way was through Makaton. They then explored the steps needed to wash our hands properly.



Apple Class have been choosing their favourite sensory items and pictures to create their own personalised Carnival hats ready for our Carnival procession. We used our senses and explored different colours, different textures, shiny and sound making craft items and favourite characters before showing our preferences and making our choices.

# APPLE

# REDWOOD



Last week, little Redwood elves started their enterprise workshop ready for the Christmas market! We communicated our choices of colour paint and used our preferred method of mark making to create some fancy gift bags. These skills help us to work collaboratively with others and show how creative we can be!

Cherry Class had a brilliant time at BikeAbility last week and were amazing at choosing and paying for a snack afterwards in the café. Other diners were very impressed with the learners practising their life skills and we can't wait to go back again! We have also been looking at different shops, the jobs that people do there and the types of products that we can buy in preparation for our upcoming visits.



# CHEERRY



## Diary Dates

### DECEMBER 2024

Monday 02.12.24 - Santa & his Elves from Par Garden Centre, visit the learners in school.

Wednesday 11.12.24 - Our Discovery pathway learners will be hosting a Christmas service at St Blazey church, 2:00 pm. Please see book bag invites for more details.

### KEY DATES

Thursday 12.12.24 - Christmas Fayre at Doubletrees 1:30 pm.

Christmas Jumper day and Santa and his Elves from St Blazey Railway club will be visiting the school on custom motorbikes, to deliver Christmas presents to all of our learners, compliments of our Friends of Doubletrees charity.

*Each week we have a Star Learner assembly where we recognise all of our learner's achievements. Each week we select a 'Star Learner' that correspond with our core values below; our 'A B C's'*

**Achieve** - Last weeks star learner in Willow class was Isobel for transitioning around school really well.

**Belong** - Isaac in Cherry class For great effort and participation in PE, Bikeability and choir.

**Communicate** - Redwood star learner last week was Freya, for working on her hand skills, independently.

**Develop** - This week's Maple class star learner is Seren, for taking part in lessons within the classroom and completing her work superbly.



*Come meet Santa this  
Christmas on the 5th of  
December!*

*In Paws For Coffee Looe*

**CHRISTMAS**  
*in*  
**LOOE**

*Santa will be  
arriving in style  
around 5pm along  
with a few friends!*

*Bake sale, gifts,  
book sale, lucky  
dip and dog treats  
including proper  
dog beef beer and  
choose your own  
gift from Santa!*

*All donations go to  
Friends of Doubletrees,  
in aid of Doubletrees  
special school!*

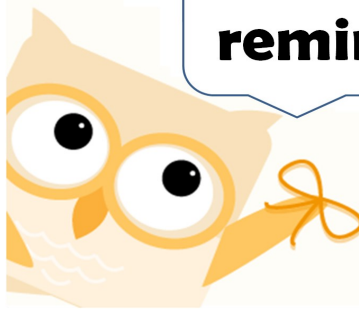


### **Class Snacks for learners**

Please be reminded that all of our classes have a snack break as part of their morning routines. Please can parents ensure sufficient snacks and drinks are provided for this purpose, as we can not provide or top these up at the school.

Thank you for your support with this.

### **Just a reminder...**



We are looking for more voluntary contributions for class cooking and design & technology (DT) projects. We suggest £5 per half term or £10 per term. We use these funds to make items for our Fayres and to make and bake items to bring home. Please head over to Parent Pay to help us to achieve even more!

