



## DOUBLETREES SCHOOL

Autumn Term (2)

Friday 13 December 2024



### Head Teacher's welcome:

We have enjoyed a lovely festive week with lots of interactive family engagement events. Our Maple and Cherry classes participated in a charity Santa Run for Children's Hospice Southwest. Our learners enjoyed another visit from Santa who delivered a gift to every child, compliments of our Friends of Doubletrees charity and our engagement pathway classes delivered a carol service at St Blazey Church for their families.

Our Christmas Fayre was a great success and our learners really enjoyed selling their beautiful gifts to their families, friends and staff. As this will be the last newsletter before the end of term next week, I would like to thank all of our learners, staff and families for all of your support and contributions, and for making our lovely Doubletrees community the place we all want to be.

Wishing you all a fun and safe festive break, and we look forward to seeing you all in 2025!

Heidi Hoskin. Head Teacher.



### School Improvement:

This week we welcomed a visit from the Local Authority Statutory SEN team. Laura Peters is new to the role of SEN Caseworker and Peter Langridge to the role of Area SEN Caseworker. Laura and Peter enjoyed a tour of our school and meeting our lovely young people, and used the opportunity to further their knowledge of a SEN provision from a school perspective. The role of an SEN caseworker is to identify, assess, make and review the EHCP arrangements for children and young people with SEN and disabilities to ensure the correct provision is sought for children starting, or moving schools. The visit was mutually beneficial, and we were able to information share between our teams to ensure the very best outcomes for young people who may be assessed to attend our school in the future.

### Reminders

**Wednesday 18.12.24  
Christmas dinner &  
Christmas Jumper Day.**

**Friday 20.12.24. Last  
day of the Autumn  
term. 3:30 pm.**

**Monday 06.01.25. First  
day of the Spring  
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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.*



# Diary Dates

## DECEMBER 2024

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Friday 20.12.24. Last day of the Autumn term. 3:30 pm.

## KEY DATES

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HAPPY  
NEW  
YEAR

*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** - Dainton in Willow class for independently completing the full washing machine process in our life skill lessons.

**Belong** - In Juniper class our star learner is Leo for engaging independently with messy mark making for our Christmas fair. We had lots of fun!

**Communicate** - Little orchard star of the week was Jack for using his AAC and his voice to communicate with staff and other learners - well done Jack!

**Develop** - Ellie-Mae in Oak class for trying new and different foods during lunch time. We enjoy developing our tastes and communicating which foods that we prefer.





We would like to thank **Par Garden Centre** for your very generous donation of our beautiful Christmas tree and for the visit from your Santa and Elves. Our learners had a fantastic time and it really got us in to the festive spirit!



## Learner Care plans

Please be reminded that if there are any changes to your child's care plans, that parents and carers notify the school straight away so we are able to update and action these. It is the responsibility of the parent and carer to inform us. It is not always possible, due to data protection regulations, that other professionals can, or will share them with us. Please do not assume that we have this information.

Please email any new plans to [enquiries@doubletrees.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@doubletrees.org.uk)

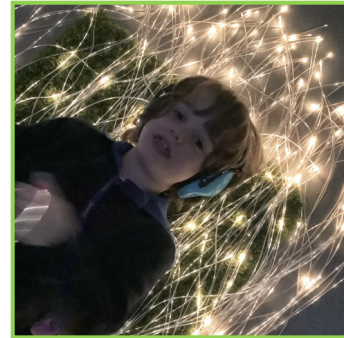


# EYFS



In Oak class we started our Christmas Crafts. We practice our counting skills And learnt about big and small during maths, building big and small towers using different sized blocks.

Juniper class have been working on turn-taking and using core boards to develop communication through preferred activities as games. We had a lot of fun!



Holly class have been busy doing lots of Christmas themed maths, counting baubles whilst creating their own Christmas trees. We have had lots of sensory sessions enjoying the lovely lights. We used these pictures to create calendars to send home.

# HOLLY

The Engagement Pathway celebrated the end of their fantastic Carnival Topic with a real carnival procession through the school! Parents, staff and learners travelled down to the hall where we danced a Samba before exploring Carnival activities. The fun afternoon was brought to a close with a 'fireworks' display!

# ROWAN



## CEDAR

This week we have been sorting objects into equal sized groups and counting how many groups we can make. We have also been learning about enterprise by making objects to sell on our stall at the Christmas fair.



Today Maple class and Cherry class joined together to raise money for the Children's hospice southwest. Maple class have raised an enormous amount of just under £400 so far! All learners ran the 2km together and had a wonderful time joining together with their friends.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Isabelle in Maple class and her family who have also raised an amazing £620 for Children's hospice southwest. What a fantastic and generous achievement! Well done Isabelle!



## MAPLE

## ORCHARD



Little orchard class loved visiting the Christmas tree kindly donated by Par Garden Centre. We designed and made our own baubles to put on the tree. We love Christmas art. It has really got us in to the festive spirit.



Elm class have enjoyed visiting our local supermarkets as part of their work related learning and independent living skills. We selected our items, queued and then paid for our items. We then packed our Christmas biscuits carefully so we could take them back to class.

## ELM



# WILLOW

Willow class have enjoyed learning to make biscuits, they have been working together with their peers, following instructions and developing their sharing and turn taking skills. They have also been using core boards to identify what they need and what they needed to do for each part. They then watched the bake in the oven before giving their biscuits a try when they were cool.



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# APPLE

# REDWOOD

Last week, we welcomed parents and careers to join our end of topic carnival event! It was loud, bright and lots of fun. We danced the samba, explored carnival foods; tastes, textures and smells and finished with a spectacular firework light display. Thank you to everyone for coming and making our carnival party a success!



We've had an extremely busy week preparing for the Christmas Market. We also had a fabulous time at Par Track running for the Children's Hospice and spending our money on well deserved treats in the café.



We were also so proud of everyone at St Blazey Church. We were in awe at the size of the church organ and how the inside church sign used to be on the side of train!

# CHERRY

