

# **Doubletrees School**

Knowing Growing Sharing

# Newsletter 05.11.2021

# **Autumn Term**

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## **Future Events:**

Wednesday 10.11.2021 - Tempest Photography. Individual Learner photo shoot

Tuesday 23.11.2021 - M&M Theatre Production at Doubletrees. Snow White.

Friday 19.11.21 - Children in Need (details to follow)

Week beginning 29.11.21 - Parent partnership meetings. These will be held via TEAMs this term.



### **Dear Parents and Carers**

It seems to have been an incredibly busy start to this school year. Last half term we were working hard on making sure our school improvement plans were in place. Both senior staff and teachers all have areas they work on and develop across the school. I am working on a parent friendly version of this for you which will be attached to the next newsletter. We continue to work alongside other school improvement partners. This half term we will have our school improvement partner in to carry out a monitoring visit. We will let you know how we get on. Lisa, our Chair of Trustees came to see us in action yesterday. It was lovely welcoming her and showing off all that we do. She was pleased with how calm and purposeful all the classes were. Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Heidi Hoskin Head Teacher

We raised a fantastic £140.30 for the Breast Cancer Now charity for wearing pink on the

22nd October . Thanks to all the learners who wore pink whilst home learning and for the staff who wore their pink finery on the day!



Please can parents/carers return the parent view forms and parent questionnaires that you have been sent. This will be for all learners who have their EHCP reviews this term.

Thank you. Gemma Williams. EHCP Co-Ordinator.

EDUCATIONAL HEALTH & CARE PLAN Tempest Photography will be in school for a learner individual photos shoot on Wednesday 10th November 2021. Don't forget to wear your smiles!







# Look What We Have Learned!

Willow class have been learning about shapes. This is part of the Maths Curriculum. We are 'learning to explore' shapes by matching, sorting, drawing and handling. In this picture we are learning to match the shapes to a pictorial representation of them, and handling the shapes through play.



In Elm we have been learning about numbers which is part of our Maths Curriculum. We've looked at missing numbers in a 100 square, more or less than and we have also looked at form numbers correctly.

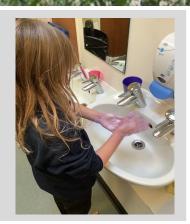


Redwood class have embraced all things physio this week. We have loved getting out of our chairs, into our equipment, and out onto the floor to explore the spaces in our classroom and around the school. We have also started to think about our Enterprise project and have been exploring the smells and tastes of ginger, pomegranate, chocolate and mint so that we can start making some amazing goods for Christmas this year...





Holly Class. PSHE Curriculum. This week in PSHE we have been engaging in messy play and then practising our hand washing skills. We have been making sure that we use soap, rub them together, rinse them with water and then dry them thoroughly.



Cedar Class - Curriculum PE. This week in PE we have been practising our throwing and catching skills. We have tried really hard to throw carefully and aim in a specific direction so that a friend can try to catch the ball.



In in this lesson Cherry Class are learning the brave story of Malala Yousafzai who stood up against the Taliban for the rights of girls Education in Pakistan, and nearly lost her life. The learners are sharing the story with Sharon, and then showing their understanding by talking about images from the story. We have all been learning the Makaton words for key vocabulary, so that everyone is included.





Learners in Rowan have been exploring different weather conditions in their bespoke sensory story.

The learners are being supported to develop many skills including exploration, initiation, and persistence as well as fine and gross motor skills and use of switch technology.



Apple class. In Sensory Art this week we have explored the pumpkins kindly donated by Cedar Croft nurseries.

We felt the cold, wet, slime with our hands and smelled some delicious pumpkin soup made from the flesh. We looked at our carved pumpkins glowing in the dark and mixed red and yellow paint to paint our own pumpkins.



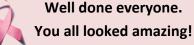
So far this term we have been focusing on developing our middle leaders who will be using their skills to promote and enhance learning in the subject areas that they lead. One of our key priorities

School Improvement

for this year is to develop our parental engagement, offering more opportunities for you to be more involved in understanding what your child/ young person is learning and how to support them. Embedding our new curriculums are another of our key priorities for the forthcoming year and we look forward to sharing further details about these with you in the coming weeks.

Our staff dressed up for our charity fundraiser for Breast Cancer Now.

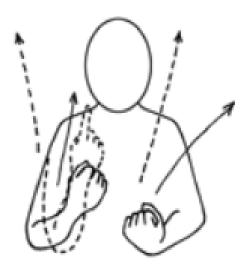








# **Makaton Sign of the Week**



**Fireworks** 





Can you help Rowan class with their Winter Topic? Do you have any of the below that you no longer use/want and would consider donating to our class? We would be very grateful.

UV/glow in the dark gloves or mittens - bought or made

UV/glow in the dark winter woolly hats
UV/glow in the dark scarves

UV/glow in the dark socks - any length

Christmas lights - snowflakes, icicles - battery or plug in

White sheets/duvet covers

Silver/white tinsel

White umbrellas

Snow balls - commercially produced

White/silver Christmas decorations - especially snowflakes/icicles, baubles with bells in.

### **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.



Thank you to Cedar Croft nurseries, St Tudy, Bodmin for the lovely donation of pumpkins for our classes! We had great fun carving them.







We would like to extend our very best wishes and good luck to two of our Teaching Assistants Bev West and Leah Isted who leave us this term. Bev has worked at Doubletrees for 25 years and Leah for 3 years. We are very sad to see you leave us, but know that you will be great in your new adventures. We will miss you both very much.







Leah Isted