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# Newsletter 20.05.22

SUMMER

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### **Future Events:**

Half Term. 30.05.22 03.06.22 & 06.06.22 Jubilee Closure Day \*Learners back to school 07.06.22\*

Tuesday 24.05.22 - Your Child's Future Event @ Doubletrees Orchard 10:30 - 12:00

Wednesday 25.05.22 - Parent Resource Group @ Doubletrees 10-12:00

Friday 27.05.22 - Friends of Doubletrees Prize Bingo Fund Raiser. St Blazey football club 7:30 pm



We have had had a busy week at Doubletrees with community and parental engagement sessions that have proved very popular with both learners and their families. The bus stop at the top of our school drive looks fantastic, and our learners are looking forward to maintaining and watching the plants grow. We also welcomed Penathlon sports to our school, who will be providing competitive sporting activities to our learners and join our already very popular Rebound trampoline team at Doubletrees. We have a transition event on Tuesday next week which will be a fantastic opportunity for parents and learners to meet external education providers and support services that will be available when our learners move on from Doubletrees. Please do pop in for a chat and a cup of tea with our family liaison support, Tracey Crowle. We would love to see you. Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Heidi Hoskin. Head Teacher.



Parental Engagement Tuesday 7th June
2022 11:00 am at
Doubletrees and Via
TEAMS with
Nicky Rowland

Class Teacher and Early

Years Lead.

ON SITE AND VIA TEAMS (Email link will be sent

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# EARLY YEARS CURRICULUM DELIVERY

Nicky will explain how the EYFS curriculum is delivered at Doubletrees and discuss the activities we use to support learning. This session is suitable for all early years parents and parents of new learners that will be joining us in the September term.



Your Child's Future Event. Tuesday 24th May 2022 at Doubletrees 10:30-12:00

Come and join us for a fantastic opportunity for parents and carers to meet outside agencies, including College/Respite/ Transport/Care Providers/Alternative Further Education/ Local Projects and Support Groups. Come along and see which services are available and who can support you and your child's needs when they move on, or transition to a further education provider. List of confirmed providers on page 4 of this newsletter. Hope you can join us!

Please contact our family liaison support - Tracy Crowle, for more information. tcrowle@doubletrees.org.uk

# School Improvement

We have continued to build on our links with the community this month and were delighted to welcome Chris from Panathlon into school this week. Panathlon is a national charity which gives young people with disabilities and special educational needs the opportunity to take part in competitive sport. Chris spent time delivering sporting activities to learners from Redwood, Willow, Elm, Cherry and Cedar classes. Learners who took part will be coming home with a certificate and

medal very soon.

Thank you to everyone who has returned the Rebound Therapy medical questionnaires. For some learners with medical needs we may require additional consent from a medical professional. If this is the case for your young person a letter will be sent home in their home school book very soon.



This week we have had two interesting and informative parent information/ engagement sessions on TEAMS.

ASD TRAINING SESSION TIGGER

Session one with Tigger, who is an ASD advocate and educator. This session focused on how our learners communicate, with a question and answer session at the end.



Parental Engagement

MAKING CREATIVE ARTS MEANINGFUL FOR OUR LEARNERS

Session two was with Rhiannon Jandrell Teacher/Creative and Expressive Arts lead.

This session gave an insight into the creative arts curriculum at Doubletrees, and how it is delivered to our learners. We focussed on the importance of creative arts in education and our future plans for creative arts at our school.

Both sessions were attended by parents and carers who all gave positive feedback.

If you have any ideas on educational topics that you would like us to cover in our parental engagement sessions, please contact me - Tracey Crowle, family liaison on 01726 812757 or email me on tcrowle@doubletrees.org.uk.

### **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.



# Look What We Have Learned!





In Oak class we enjoy sharing books with a familiar adult. We love listening to the funny sounds and the adults voice changing, looking at pictures and joining in our own way during 'Reading for pleasure through Communication, Language and Literacy' lessons

As part of our RE unit of work, Cedar class have been thinking about special people and special things.

We identified special people to us and gave reasons. We also talked about some famous special people such as the Queen!



In Rowan class we have been learning how to make our own picnics.
We worked on our own personal targets, using switch technology to activate the devices that help

us make our chosen foodstuffs.

We especially enjoyed making popcorn!



This week in Apple class we have been learning about actions and re-actions. We had fun seeing what would happen with our new sensory light toys in different environments.

In Elm class we have been practicing our spelling and writing with the use of the game scrabble. When we had formed a word, we practiced writing each word on to paper.



This week in Holly Science class, our learners have each planted their own seed. We can't wait to see what beautiful flowers they grow into.



This week in
Willow class PHSE,
we have been
learning about
being kind to our
environment and
keeping it clean
and tidy. We really
enjoyed using the
litter pickers to
collect rubbish



inside and outside of the classroom!





This term in Redwood we have been developing our cognition skills in our 'Make it Happen' lessons. We have used switches and controllers to make lights turn on and objects spin,

we have also started to learn how to use 2 switches or a controller to race each other on the Wacky Racers Scalextric track.

Cherry Class
have been busy
preparing lots
of Pizzas this
week as part of
the Enterprise,
generating
money for their
Enterprise fund.
Last week, after
a class vote
they decided to



make pizzas. Early in the week some of the learners made posters to advertise it in their IT lesson. Then on Wednesday we spent the day preparing the dough, waiting for it to rise and then making some delicious pizzas. We made 42 in total! Well done Cherry team.



In PSHE, Maple class are learning new ways to find information. We watched a clip on CBBC Newsround about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We were amazed to learn that when she became Queen not everyone had a TV! Then, we decorated our own crowns for our celebration display.



## Your Child's Future Event. Tuesday 24th May 2022 at Doubletrees Orchard Building. 10:30-12:00

Please join us for our 'Your Child's Future' event. The following providers will be in attendance, and are there to answer any questions that you may have and inform you of support that can be accessed when your child moves on from Doubletrees. We hope you can join us!

Action For Children, Greenlight, Eden Project,

Truro College, St. Austell College, Parent Carers, Bishop's Forum, Careers South West, Family Nest Equine Therapy

Access Training, Learn Your Way, In Caring Hands and other Respite Providers

Redwood class worked with a team from the Eden project to decorate our local bus (Buzzzzz) stop at the top of the school road. We planted beautiful flowers and sensory plants for insects and the local community to enjoy. We explored the soil, chose the plants and used the tools to create a bus stop masterpiece, that's a growing piece of living art. We will be visiting regularly so that we can take care of the plants and make sure they've got enough water. This project forms part of our community work and provides opportunities to gather evidence towards our ASDAN qualifications.

Take a look next time you pass by and let us know what you think!?

















### **Rebound Therapy at Doubletrees!**

Rebound Therapy was founded by E.G. Anderson in 1972 and is the use of full size trampolines to provide opportunities for therapeutic exercise, movement and FUN for learners with a wide range of special needs.

Rebound Therapy is not suitable for everybody. A letter of consent from a medical professional is often required but it provides a huge number of potential benefits for those who are able to safely access it.

The main benefits include the developing and improvement of:

- Strength of limbs Numeracy Patience Communication Co-ordination Independence Selfconfidence • Balance • Muscle tone • Reaction speed • Self-image • Eye contact
- Relaxation Freedom of Movement Sense of Achievement Stamina Spatial awareness Body awareness Social awareness Consideration of others Trust and confidence in Coach/Assistant Colour recognition Height and depth perception Fun and enjoyment

Other benefits include:

Stimulation of digestive system, Improved bowel function, Internal organ massage, Clearing of toxins from the body.

Some school staff have completed the Rebound Therapy Training Programme and are excited to provide Rebound for eligible learners at Doubletrees.

Please complete your consent form and medical questionnaire if you haven't already done so and would like your child to be assessed for Rebound Therapy. Please click on the link below for more information about the service.



Rebound Therapy - Founded 1972 in the UK



