



Doubletrees School

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Newsletter 30.09.22

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Future Events:

Wednesday 05.10.22 - Parent coffee morning on site at Doubletrees at 09:30 am.

Autumn Half Term Break - Monday 24.10.22 - 28.10.22 inclusive

Monday 31.10.22 learners return to school



We have had another busy week at Doubletrees with exciting theatre performances and swimming at Polkyth Leisure Centre. There have been lots of happy and exciting faces.

Our first parent/carer coffee morning will be taking place on site at Doubletrees next Wednesday and we warmly extend the opportunity for our new families to come and meet others in our school community.

It feels like a long time since we have been able to enjoy our shared lunchtime experiences across classes (pre-Covid) it is wonderful to be able to introduce this back into our school day. The dining room is now used by many of our learners and classes.

I do hope the parent meetings have been useful this week—for those of you that have not had the opportunity to talk or meet with your child's teacher—I do encourage you to make contact to arrange this. ☺

Heidi Hoskin. Head Teacher



PARENT /CARER COFFEE MORNING

Our first monthly coffee mornings this term will be on:

**Wednesday 5th October
9.30-10.30am**

Join us on Site in the Orchard Building at Doubletrees School. We would love to see you all; just book in at reception. The meetings are informal and we discuss a range of school related topics in a friendly and supportive environment. Our school resource group is meeting at the same time if you would like to join us to help make resources for classes.

If you fancy dropping in for a friendly chat and to meet other parents and carers, you are very welcome. We would especially like to welcome all of our new parents/carers to our school.

If you would like any more information please email me - Tracey Crowle Family Liaison

tcrowle@doubletrees.org.uk



We now offer a uniform swap shop at Doubletrees. This provides our school community a really simple way to donate, re-use and recycle any out grown school uniform.

For donations, simply drop your clean items to our school reception. If you would like to make a swap please contact Tracey Crowle our Family Liaison so we can check items and sizes that we have in stock. There is no charge for an exchange. For more information contact 01726 812757 or tcrowle@doubletrees.org.uk

School Improvement

Some of learners in key stage 2 and 3 have been enjoying the opportunity to go off site for swimming lessons at Polkyth Leisure centre this, and last week. The extra lessons have been very popular, and all of our learners behaved very responsibly with the transition from school to the centre, on the bus. Thank you to Active Cornwall who have funded these for our learners.



Would you like to join our Doubletrees fund raising team? Friends of Doubletrees.

The Friends of Doubletrees are a registered charity (number 1027045) who work to raise funds for Doubletrees School. Our members include ex and current parents/grandparents and school staff.



We aim to raise funds through organised fundraising activities, applying for grants and other sources of funding, and increasing the awareness of the school within the local community. The money raised is used solely to benefit the children of the school in terms of new equipment, accessing activities and supporting the development of new facilities.

Some of our fundraising efforts have paid for i-pads, waterfall playsets, sensory toys, cycle helmets, Christmas presents for the pupils, leavers presents and party, new photograph displays, dance club instructor, poly tunnel refurbishment and play equipment for the early years foundation stage (EYFS) area. Our most recent fundraising has supplied the school with its own defibrillator, which is now situated in the corridor by the library.

We have also been successful in applying for a number of grants which allow large items to be purchased like the acheeva bed, eye-gaze system, sensory room equipment and Cornubia Sailing trips. We are also lucky to receive a number of donations from individuals and groups who raise money on our behalf.

We are always looking for new members to join and support our group. We have 3 meetings a year on the school site which normally last for no more than 30 minutes. If you would like more information or would like to join, please contact Tracey Crowle, Family Liaison. tcrowle@doubletrees.org.uk or 01726 812757

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!



Our topic in Willow Class this term is The Tudor's. We have been describing Tudor characters using symbols and signing.

This week in Post 14, our learners have been spending time developing their Life Skills in The Flat. All of the learners in Elm and Cherry participate in a range of learning activities aimed at looking after their environment.



This week some of Maple class have been swimming everyday at Polkyth Leisure centre. They have all grown in confidence and their behaviour off site was fantastic.



Redwood had great fun with the parachute in the hall this week. We showed great awareness of the ball in the middle and anticipation waiting for it to be passed around.

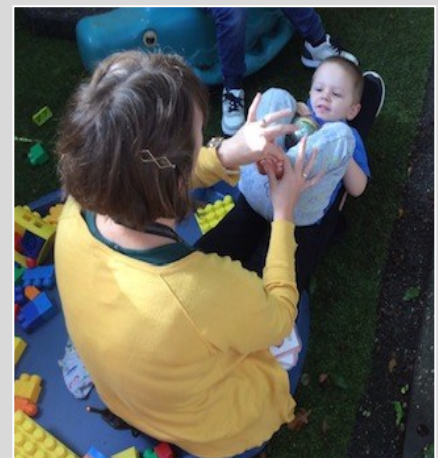


Rowan class have been making the most of the little bits of sunshine between the rain. We have headed out to the adventure playground to work on our gross motor and physio targets. The swing also helps us to understand how our bodies can move in space.

In Apple Class we have been practicing looking, tracking, showing likes and dislikes and when exploring our Bucket Time items.



Early Years - In Acorns and Oak we have been enjoying listening too and participating in new songs (communication and Language) This is helping us build relationships (PSED). We make the most of every moment to learn and interact both inside and outside.



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In Holly class English lessons, we have created our own Three Little Pigs book this week as part of our writing sessions. Here we are making the 'huff and puff' part of the story by making marks using bubbles and food colouring.



In science this term we are looking into our 5 senses. This week we explored different smells and the language that we can use to describe these smells.



Our Lower and Middle school classes really enjoyed a theatrical performance from the brilliant M&M Productions this week! The story of Oliver Twist was thought provoking, colourful, sensory and loud as always!

Thank you M&M!



Annual Aiming Higher Conference

4 October 2022, 9.30am-2.30pm

The Pavillion, Royal Cornwall Showground,
Wadebridge, Cornwall, PL27 7JE

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future of disabled
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If you are interested in services for disabled children and young people, please join us!

There will be:

- ♥ A choice of workshops
- ♥ Keynote speakers
- ♥ Information stands from specialist service providers from the statutory, voluntary and independent sector
- ♥ Travel and childcare costs can be met for parent / carers

It's free to attend and lunch is included.

For more information or to request a booking form email 'Conference'

✉ **aiminghigher@cornwall.gov.uk**

➡ Children & Family Services, Room 37, St. Austell Information Service, 39 Penwinnick Road, St. Austell, PL25 5DR

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, with preference being given to parents.

If you have any queries, or need further information, please email us **aiminghigher@cornwall.gov.uk** or telephone **07395 835330**.

