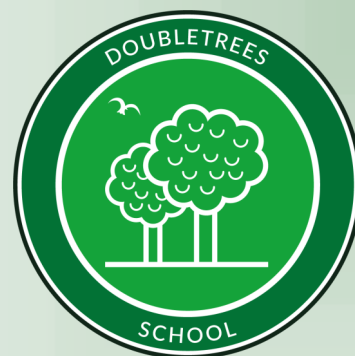


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Friday 10th March 2023
Spring term 2



Doubletrees School Newsletter



Head Teacher's welcome:

This half term our post 14 learners are enjoying getting back out in the community with visits to the Eden project. We are focused on community engagement with our learners and families, so what better way to introduce our new Family Engagement Lead, Gemma Stockley. Gemma will be actively supporting our learners and families and we really look forward to all the exciting events that she has planned. We will shortly be sending out a parental questionnaire. We would really appreciate your view and suggestions as they are very important to us and help us to continue to provide the very best educational experience for our young people.

Wishing you a lovely weekend. Heidi Hoskin Head teacher.

Key Diary Dates

Friday 17th March

Comic Relief Red Nose Day. Wear red to school. Any donations gratefully received. Please click on the link below if you would like to make a donation. The link is also accessible on our website and will be on our face book page next week.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10337>

Tuesday 21st March

World Down Syndrome Day. Wear odd socks to school.

Friday 24th March 14:00—15:00

Holly and Cedar class Easter activities on site with parents.

Tuesday 28th March 14:00—15:30

Bloomin Marvellous Spring Art Exhibition on site at Doubletrees for parents.

Tuesday 28th March

Rowan class Easter activities on site with parents. Time to be confirmed.

Wednesday 29th March 10:00—11:30

Apple and Redwood class Easter activities on site with parents

Friday 31st March end of term.

Easter Holiday: Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April inclusive.

Monday 17th April—Summer Term starts.

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.

Achieve

In Redwood class, we have been using switches to make something happen on the big screen. We have been persisting with press and hold, press and let go and repeating an action. We explored our favourite TV themed music and loved the rollercoaster simulator! These sessions support our understanding of cause and effect and how we can have an impact on our environment.

Belong

In Maple class this week we engaged with our school logo. We used our words to describe what we could see and then describe how being part of Doubletrees makes us feel. One learner said they felt 'loved and excited' when they were in school.

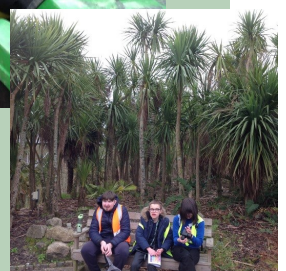
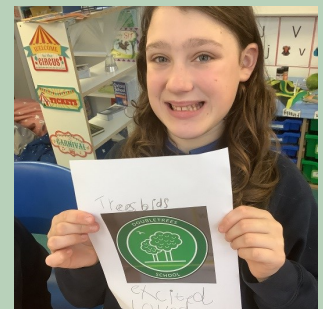
Communicate

School Improvement

Our current curriculum has been in place for three years now. At this point we thought it would be a good time to review it's effectiveness and also refine to ensure that it is truly tailored to our students' needs. We will be surveying all our stake holders regarding this, pupils, staff and yourselves. Over the next few weeks we will be sending out a questionnaire to yourselves asking for your feedback on what is currently working well and also what your views are on the key skills that are important for our learners to achieve during their time at Doubletrees. Your views are incredibly important to us as you know your young person best of all. Please look out for this survey and give us some feedback. We appreciate your time to give us this information.

Develop

Post 14 learners have been getting out into the community this week with a visit to the Eden Project. They were working on developing community engagement as well as meeting employees and finding out about the plants that are currently blooming. We are learning all things spring at the moment, preparing for our Bloomin Marvellous Exhibition at Doubletrees on 28th March. Make a note in your diaries. Classes across the school are preparing their contributions. There are three more trips planned between now and the Easter Holidays.



Enjoy

In Holly class English lessons, we created fact files about firefighters. We used symbols of 'people who help us', following our very exciting and enjoyable visit from a range of emergency services on World Book Day!

In Willow class we loved meeting the emergency services and other people who help us. We enjoyed dressing up as some of them and then acting out some of their duties.



Doubletrees Parent Engagement Lead

A warm hello to you all. Some of you may already know me as a TA from our classes over the last few years here at Doubletrees.

I am very excited to be working with you all and focusing on family engagement and support. Keep an eye on our newsletter, Facebook page and the school website for upcoming events and activities this term and beyond.

I am in school from 8.30am every day and available by phone or email.

Gemma Stockley. Family engagement lead gstockley@doubletrees.org.uk

World Book and Emergency Services Day

For World Book Day this year, our theme was 'People who keep us safe'. Some of our learners arrived in school dressed as their favourite safe person. Emergency service teams joined us on site for the morning, including Police, Fire Services, Coastguard and Air Ambulance personnel.

The teams actively engaged with our learners showing them what their emergency vehicles do, explained to them what their roles in the community entail and how they keep us safe. Everyone had a fantastic time, especially when the sirens and blue lights were activated!

A big thank you to Devon & Cornwall Police, St Austell Fire Station, Cornwall Air Ambulance, HM Coastguard area 11 and Cornwall and IOS Coastal safety team.

