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15.03.24 Spring term 2



Doubletrees School Newsletter



Head Teacher's welcome:

As we approach the end of term at Doubletrees, I would like to celebrate and recognise all the fantastic, educational and fun activities that we have engaged in this term. We have enjoyed BikeAbility lessons at Par running track, World Book Day and library visits, the GoActive team on site with swimming lessons and lunch

club, Red Nose Day and a Zoom call from a serving astronaut from the NASA space station! All of these events count towards our learners personal learning goals for their bespoke curriculum targets or employment encounters that we track, for preparing our learners for their futures, beyond Doubletrees.

I am very pleased to let you all know that two of our staff team, Rebecca Howard and Lucy Hall are now fully qualified TIS practitioners and have passed with merits. Our learners will be able to access and receive further additional support with mental health and behaviours that may present as barriers to learning. Well done Rebecca and Lucy!

As this will be the last newsletter before the end of term on the 28.03.24, I would like to wish you all a fantastic Easter break with your families. *Heidi Hoskin. Head Teacher.*

Key Diary Dates:

Thursday 21.03.24—Word Down Syndrome Day. Wear odd socks to school!

Friday 22nd March—CANCELLED coffee morning.

Monday 25.03.24—Bloomin Marvelous Art Display. See page 3 for more details. Parents/Carers welcome.

Thursday 28.03.24—Last day of the Spring Term.

Monday 15.04.24—First day of the Summer Term. Learners return to school.

Friday 19.04.24—Parent/Carer coffee morning 10:00—11:30 in the school Orchard building.

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

Willow class enjoyed World Book Day by learning about 'People Who Help Us'. We looked a picture books and visuals and learnt all about the different emergency services, what they do and their vehicle sounds!

Belong

Maple and Redwood classes joined together to celebrate World Book Day by sharing a sensory version of "We're going on a bear hunt". Everyone listened superbly and loved the windy leaves blowing, the snow falling and exploring the dark cave with torches. A lovely afternoon sharing a fabulous story altogether.

Communicate

School Improvement

We are very pleased to let you know that we are now an accredited Healthy Schools site! Healthy Schools accreditation recognises and supports the wellbeing of learners and staff in a range of ways from healthy eating, to physical activities. Well done to Lisa Tucker, one of our HLTA's, who has worked very hard to achieve this for our school site.

Develop

Oak class enjoyed a World Book Day sensory massage story 'Going on a Bear Hunt'. We watched a listened to the story while we enjoyed the massage, which stimulated and helped us to develop our senses.

Enjoy

Maple class were lucky to have a Zoom meeting with Kelley Jones-McDowall from NASA Kennedy Space Centre, Florida today. They all sat superbly during the call and asked lots of inquisitive questions, finding out lots of information, such as astronauts have to wear a seatbelt when they go to sleep so they don't float around!







Coffee Morning Dates



Our coffee morning on Friday 22nd March has been cancelled.

We will be in contact to re-arrange our visit from Helen Norman from the Early Help Hub.

19.04.24—Join us for our coffee morning with guest Michelle Lobb from parent/carer Cornwall. Michelle is incredibly experienced in supporting families with additional needs. Michelle will be delivering support on DLA applications and PIP payments.

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Parental Engagement

What a busy few weeks we've had so far this term! Thank you to those that have generously made donations through the ParentPay link in support of Red Nose Day for Comic Relief. We had a lovely array of red items worn in school today by learners and staff.

Coming up next *Thursday 21st March* we are asking everyone to wear odd socks in support of **World Down Syndrome Day**, so pick out your funkiest odd socks! (No donation)

Finally on *Monday 25th March*, Jo Conac our Creative and Expressive Arts Lead, has organised the **Blooming Marvellous** exhibition.

The exhibition is available for parents/carers to view in our **main school hall 2 -3pm.** All of our learners have worked hard and are proud of their exhibitions, please join us to celebrate and appreciate their work.

Staffing Changes

Gemma Stockley leaves the role of Family Engagement Lead today. We would like to thank Gemma for her hard work and dedication to our learners and their families during her time in this role. Gemma will remain in our school team as a Teaching Assistant and will continue to support our learners.





We are pleased to let you know, we have appointed Michelle Sandham to the role of Family Engagement lead, and Michelle will join our school on Monday 15.04.24,

after the Easter break. Michelle brings with her a wealth of experience and we are delighted to welcome her to the Doubletrees Team.

Michelle will be in contact with you all to introduce herself early in the new term and there will be lots of opportunities for you to meet her at upcoming events.





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Join our annual SEND Skills Show (10am - 1pm) and test your skills by taking part in short fun activities

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