



**TRANSFERABLE
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Newsletter

Together we can succeed

Transferable Skills Training welcomes you to our monthly newsletter, providing updates on our recent projects, initiatives and student achievements.

10 x challenge.

All Groups are taking part and have made a start over the last couple of weeks deciding on their enterprise ideas, business names and logos. Each group have received funding from the Young Enterprise scheme which will be used to buy the resources needed to make their products. They have been busy using their Maths skills researching how much they will need to spend and how much they will need to charge in order to make a profit.

Products will be ready to buy during the first week of April, just before the learners break up for Easter and parents will have the opportunity to buy their children's creations!





Group 6 have been continuing with their new Unit Garden Maintenance skills and have been learning how to maintain tools

Group 5 have also been continuing with Garden Maintenance skills and have been learning how to use tools eg bow saws safely and helping remove fallen trees from the Donkeys fields.



Group 2, 5 and 6 took part in a workshop on the 'Effects of Climate Change on Cornwall'. This was delivered by the Cornwall Climate Care group and focussed on agriculture – students all had positive comments and the experience reinforced what they have already learnt in their Environmental Issues Units. We ended the workshop listening and taking part in a rap composed by one of Group 6 students.



RED NOSE DAY

This Red Nose Day TST will be getting involved by hosting a virtual dog show on Friday 21st March .

We have 4 categories people can put their animal photo in for:

- Cutest puppy picture (0-9 months)
- Cutest Veteran Dog (10+ years)
- Funniest Dog photo
- Best photo of any other pet.

We are asking anyone who would like to be involved to bring in or send photos of their furry friends to info@transferableskillstraining.com by the 18th March. Entry fee is £1 each.

Learners will then Judge who they think the winners are!

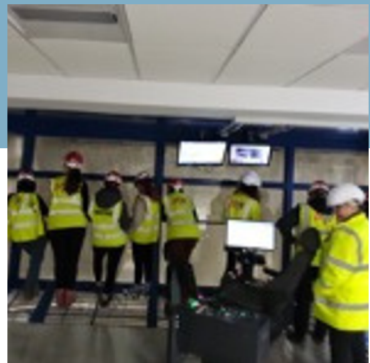
MVV Waste Plant Visit.

A group of 6 students, facing challenges like anxiety about leaving TST and meeting new people, prepared weeks in advance for a visit to the MVV Plant. Upon arrival, they engaged in warm-up activities and learned about safety protocols. One student struggled with putting on required PPE but eventually complied and enjoyed the tour. All students overcame initial fears to stand on a glass floor over waste hoppers, fascinated by the giant claw sorting waste, sparking discussions about recycling, particularly mattresses. Although they couldn't see waste being burned, they participated in quizzes and discussions about job opportunities in the industry. The visit was a positive experience, fostering social interaction and learning. On the return trip, the students sang and behaved well, making the day a success. Group 5 views:

"I enjoyed watching the big waste claw that grabbed waste and put it in the waste hopper for burning"

"I enjoyed watching the different sized lorries on the monitoring screen emptying their waste"

"I liked seeing the claw moving the waste around that had been emptied by the lorries"



Travel Training Group 2.

Group 2 engaged in Travel Training scenarios during their Work Skills lessons, starting with a discussion on public transport experiences. A few learners shared their experiences traveling alone or with friends, leading to discussions about planning, such as departure times, bus stops, and weather considerations. Learners highlighted the value of electronic signs at bus stops for bus arrival times. The class split into two teams, each planning a trip to a different location (Costa and Game), creating maps from bus stops to shops and using real online bus timetables for timing calculations.





Travel Training

Travel Scenario – Game Store

A friend has asked you if you'd like to meet up at your local video game store, Game in Plymouth.

You are at college that day in the morning but have agreed to meet up in the afternoon at 2.30pm.

They will be arriving by train and have requested that you meet them at the Game store on New George Street in Plymouth.



Plan Your Journey

Plan your journey on public transport from college to the Game store on [name of local road].

Think about:

What area of town is the Game store in? Draw a simple map of the area and mark the store.

Which is the nearest bus station? Mark this on your map

How do you get to the Game store from the bus stop? Draw arrows or write a description.

How much money will you need to take (game purchase or refreshments)?

What time is the bus due to arrive for getting there?

What time is the bus due to arrive for coming back to college?

Which bus stop do you need for coming back?



Travel Training

Travel Scenario - Costa

A friend, who does not live in the local area, is travelling to see you.

You are at college that morning but have agreed to meet up for coffee in the afternoon at the Costa Coffee in Launceston Town Centre at 2.30pm.

They will be arriving by bus and have requested that you meet them at the Costa Coffee on Broad Street, Launceston.



Plan Your Journey

Plan your journey on public transport from college to the Costa Coffee on Broad Street.

Think about:

What area of town is the café in? Draw a simple map of the area and mark the coffee shop.

Which is the nearest bus station? Mark this on your map.

How do you get to the café from the bus stop? Draw arrows or write a description.

How much money will you need to take for a drink?

What time is the bus due to arrive for getting there?

What time is the bus due to arrive for coming back to college?

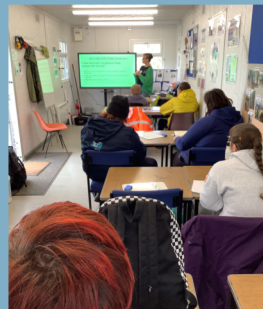


Learners at TST participated in a workshop by Safer Cornwall focusing on healthy relationships and consent. Activities included group discussions on behaviors, legal aspects of sexual consent, videos, interactive role play, and a Q&A session. The sessions helped students understand healthy relationships and build confidence to challenge uncomfortable behaviors. To assess impact, an end-of-term quiz will identify knowledge gaps for future PSHE sessions.



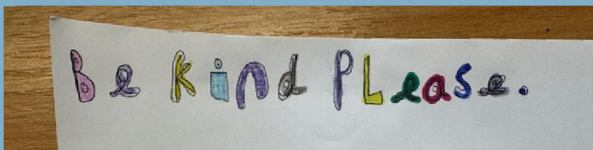
Work Experience Group 2.

Group 2 have taken part in work experience for Calstock Parish Council, where they litter picked and repaired the memorial garden at Albaston Park along with starting to cut back the brambles around the perimeter. They also took part in a workshop delivered by Hayley from Cornwall Climate Care about the effects and causes of climate change in Cornwall. Students learned all about the impact of methane from cattle and efforts to reduce effects by capturing the gas and converting it into fuel.



Group 5 posters for 'Stand Up To Bullying Day'.

They used a clear message of 'Be Kind' to promote empathy. Each student talked about ways to combat bullying, like standing up for others and encouraging open conversations. The students collaborated, sharing ideas and supporting each other.



College term dates 24/25

Spring term 2025

- Parent Consultation - Wednesday 2nd April 2025
- Term ends – Thursday 3rd April 2025
- Easter Break – Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April 2025
- Inset day Friday 4th April 2025- Closed to learners

Summer term 2025

- Term starts – Tuesday 22nd April 2025
- Bank Holiday Monday 5th May 2025
- Term ends Friday 23rd May 2025
- Half term – Monday 26th May 2025- Friday 30th May 2025
- Term start- Monday 2nd June 2025
- Inset day Wednesday 9th July 2025- Closed to learners
- Term ends Friday 11th July 2025

Absence reporting

Please call 01579384798 and/or email info@transferableskillstraining.com on the first day of non-attendance.

Safeguarding Concerns

Please visit our website for further information or contact the safeguarding team at TST.

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