



We hope you all had a wonderful summer holiday and have been adding more credits to your Learning Destination Passport. **Now is the time** to take your passport to your school co-ordinator so they can let us know if your child is eligible for a Gold Graduation invitation.

GRADUATION for **Devon** will be taking place on the following dates: 17/18/19 October at Plymouth University

The Graduation ceremonies are for children who have reached any Gold level ie 100 hrs, 200 hrs, 300 hrs on so on. DEVON & CORNWALL

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Cornwall Graduations will be June 2018



Gruffalo Spotters qualify for a Learning Credit!

Follow clues in the forest to see if you can track down the elusive **Gruffalo**, then watch him come to life with The Gruffalo Spotter augmented reality App. Download the free App before you visit via <u>this link</u> The new interactive self-led trail is packed with fun activities about forest animals along the way. To find your nearest trail visit this <u>website</u>.

More information about how the Forestry Commission links with Children's University go to <u>https://</u> www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/BEEH-ALRJX8.



If you engage with our <u>Facebook</u> posts (liking, commenting, sharing etc), you are more likely to see our Page posts in your News Feed.





We **LOVE** receiving postcards from our members. Tell us about the Learning Destinations you've visited and all the things you've got up to.

Post to Zoe and Philippa, Devon and Cornwall Children's University, Fourth Floor Nancy Astor Building, Plymouth University, PL4 8AA







We have been busy trying to get lots of New **Learning Destinations** validated so that there are plenty of places for your children to go and get their Passport to Learnings stamped. We still need your help though, please let us know of any activities/groups that your children attend by sending their name and if possible an e-mail address or phone number to **devoncu@plymouth.ac.uk**. It is our mission to get as many new Learning Destinations as the list is possible.

We'd like to welcome the following new Learning Destinations:

- Primary Music & Education Ltd www.primary-music.co.uk
- The Family Foraging Kitchen, Cornwallwww.familyforagingkitchen.co.uk
- Argyle Community Trust www.argylecommunitytrust.co.uk
- Rosemary Woodwark School of Dance
 www.rosemarywoodwarkdance.co.uk
- North Devon Marlins Swim Academy
 www.marlinswim.co.uk
- Tavistock Tennis Club
- Swim4 www.swim4.co.uk
- Badger Forest School http:// badgerforestschool.co.uk
- One and All Judo www.oneandalljudo.com









Devon and Cornwall CU continue to go from strength to strength and we would like to welcome the following new schools.

- Dunstone Primary
- Marine Academy Primary
- St Mathews CofE
- Gatehouse Academy
- Devon Home Ed Group
- Kenn & Kenton Primary
- St Andrews
- Stoke Dameral
- Gatehouse Academy
 - Hooe Primary













TED ON TOUR

Please welcome our newest member of the Devon and Cornwall Ted loves to travel

Ted loves to travel and find new exciting places to have fun whilst learning.

Here are just some of the things Ted has got up to this summer......



Would your child like a visit from Ted? Just send us a postcard saying why and where you'd like to take Ted on Tour. Each month we will draw a lucky host.

Post entries to: Devon & Cornwall CU, Plymouth University, Fourth Floor Nancy Astor Building, Plymouth PL4 8AA



RAISING AWARENESS OF PLASTICS IN OUR OCEANS



A Children's University Workshop.

A pioneering sailing expedition starting and finishing at the University of Plymouth's Marine Station saw a diverse group of women sample the UK's waters for plastic pollution, and run awareness-raising events around the British coastline. Children and parents attended an event held at Plymouth Marine Station giving an Introduction to eXXpedition, who we are and what we are trying to achieve—we even made it into the news!!





Our fantastic group walked down to the shore below the marine station to carry out a beach clean and nurdle collection. They also collected seaweed from the strandline and sand samples to take up to the lab.

The samples were taken up to the lab to look at under the microscopes to look for micro plastics within the seaweed, and also to do some basic marine ecology (identifying organisms and learning more about them!).

The event even made it onto the evening News!

Follow eXXpeditionCIC on their Facebook page here





THE WONDER WHY SOCIETY!



A New Children's University Partnership

<u>The Wonder Why Society</u> is a fully moderated collaborative learning community which brings together learners, schools and industry experts to learn together in one place. It's a safe place for children to connect, create, debate and innovate.

We've partnered with them nationally so that children with a Passport to Learning can earn up to 10 stamps each term once their school signs up

One of the reasons we're keen to work with The Wonder Why Society is that it's free for schools to sign up, so it's a great thing for you to encourage your partner schools to look into. State schools can all sign up for free by visiting <u>thewonderwhysociety.co.uk/sign-me-up</u>. The Wonder Why Society will do the rest!

How children can earn Children's University credits

Once a school has signed up and children have their own log in, children will be able to complete missions online. Missions consist of doing different activities and filling in an online report. We've validated all of their missions and teachers with their own online accounts will be able to see easily how many missions a child has completed.

David Lawrence Jones Inspires



Following our Literacy event at Truro and Penwith College, we are holding a literacy competition.

David took us through the journey of events that inspired him when he was nine, to write the Bradley Baker series.

Please send in a short story, with a 562 word limit, to be precise!

Entrees will be judged by Devon & Cornwall Children's University and the winner will be chosen by David and awarded with signed copies of his Bradley Baker Series.

Please send or email all entries to us by the 3rd of November.— Good luck!

