



Vinci Building brings enterprise education programme to schools in Bristol

Vinci Building, the UK construction division of Vinci Construction, is bringing enterprise and employability skills to primary schools in Bristol as part of its Social Value strategy. The aim is to help children develop skills for work and life from an early age and to boost awareness of the careers available in construction.

Vinci Building has partnered with 2B Enterprising who have developed an innovative enterprise skills programme called The Bumbles of Honeywood. This programme is exclusively focussed on primary education and is delivered in collaboration with commercial business partners who financially support the programme and engage in the workshop activities. To date this unique model has partnered 150 businesses with over 300 schools across the UK.

Vinci Building has selected the schools based on their proximity to work it is undertaking – including Bristol.

The programme is built around a series of beautifully illustrated books and interactive extension activities that explore the enterprising nature of honeybees and other characters to help children develop skills such as resilience, problem solving, leadership, communication, and teamwork.

Russell Flowers, regional director for Vinci Building, is pleased to be supporting enterprise education in schools.



“This is an exciting programme that enables us to give back to the communities we work in, while raising awareness about the wide range of career opportunities that exist in construction. We are keen to increase diversity in our workforce and to encourage more women to consider careers in construction and this programme will help us achieve that. Our team are loving their visits to the schools – they are impressed by the children’s energy and enthusiasm and the intelligent and probing questions they ask about our work. The Bumbles of Honeywood Programme, will also help the children to grow in ambition and confidence, which is a great investment in our future generations.”

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Lee Edmunds, Headteacher says:

"The Bumbles of Honeywood programme complements our existing PSHE curriculum and is thoughtfully designed to meet the needs of the children at our school. This programme not only gives the pupils at our school vital skills for their future lives, it also gets them thinking about what career they could aspire to."

Jayne Brewer, 2B Enterprising CEO, said:

"We're delighted to be partnering with Vinci Building, to bring The Bumbles of Honeywood into five more schools. Enterprise education is increasingly being recognised as a key requirement, and something that should start from a young age. Our Corporate Engagement Partners play a vital part in this, helping to inspire and educate pupils by giving them real life examples of enterprise in action. As well as helping the pupils gain valuable life skills, Vinci Building are introducing them to the wide array of job opportunities that exist in construction and raising awareness of the exciting building projects happening in their area."



Some other coverage referencing Vinci Construction:

https://schoolbuilding.org.uk/vinci-building-brings-enterprise-education-programme-to-schools-in-england-and-wales/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=vinci-building-brings-enterprise-education-programme-to-schools-in-england-and-wales

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