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Japanese Daruma Doll Competition



It is important for us, after more than 20 years in the north east and having become one of the largest employers in the Sunderland area, that we get involved in the community and create relationships with local schools and businesses and make them more aware of our services. As part of this venture, Vantec have been running 2 competitions throughout the local schools over the last couple of months. The aim of the competitions has been to have the Vantec brand more widely recognised, as well as hopefully becoming the start of longer term relationships with the future hope of providing work experience opportunities or informative workshops.

A separate competition was run between primary schools and secondary schools; the primary pupils were asked to design and make their own version of the traditional Japanese Daruma doll, whereas the secondary children were asked to come up with a name for the new Turbine Way warehouse.

Prizes up for grabs were money for the winning primary and secondary schools, as well as an incentive iPad for the secondary school individual entrant. A naming ceremony will be held on January 9th at the Turbine Way site which the children will be invited to attend to show off their entries and receive their prizes.

There has been a great response and lots of effort and thought put into the entries made, so thank you to everyone who has been involved, and good luck to all the pupils!

First image:

A selection of the entries we have received

Second image:

An artist's impression of the new warehouse