



# Headteacher News



Term : Christmas 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas is now in full swing here at The Castle School. We have already had some wonderful performance across the school with lots of you coming in to see the culmination of much hard work by students and staff alike. We have had songs and sensory activities, carols and the story of Christmas films to name but 3. It has been so lovely to watch the children perform in front of you, the parents.

There have been lots of wonderful things going on and you can read more about them in the Class Newsletters which can be found on our website here [The Castle School - Class Newsletters](http://thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk) ([thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk](http://thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk))

Most importantly, at this time of year there are a number of illnesses doing the rounds. This year is no exception and there are some pretty nasty bugs about. As such, please follow the guidance below to keep everyone safe this winter:

- If your child has a temperature, they should stay away from school until the temperature has returned to normal. A high temperature is 38C or above.
- If your child is not well enough to be in school, they should remain at home. This can be difficult for parents, which we fully understand. But the impact of illness spreading through a class can result in that class being closed for longer, which will have a longer impact on everyone.
- If your child has been sick or had diarrhoea, they should stay at home for at least **48 hours** from when they last had a bout of either sickness or diarrhoea.

## Some photos of our learning



Christmas productions



Supporting West Berkshire Foodbank



Christmas productions



Donation from the Co-op

For more information and news please visit us at [www.thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk](http://www.thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk)

I wish all our pupils, staff and parents a lovely Christmas holiday. Please note that the last day of term is **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022** and pupils return to school on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

Many thanks, Jon Hewitt (Headteacher)

