



Headteacher News



Term : Christmas 2018

Whole School Topic: What's on your Plate?

As we arrive at the Christmas holidays we have had a bumper term of exciting goings on.

Our amazing choir, ably led by Kate Mason, performed at the annual St Nic's Save The Children Carol Service. They were fantastic and received the most wonderful applause and cheers from the packed audience. They were impeccably behaved and sang with such energy. We are all very proud of what they have achieved. Have a look at the video on our website. We have also had some lovely Christmas events and productions for and by our students, which have been wonderful, as well as a visiting pantomime.

Tiverton class decided that they wanted to go to Cadbury World to experience the taste of chocolate and to learn how it is made because they have been reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. They prepared, cooked and delivered bacon butties around the school. They raised £147.98! We have also had several others classes raising money for other causes such as Duke of Edinburgh students fundraising £546 for Make a Wish Foundation and Loose Ends.

We have had loads more happen this term. Please visit us at www.thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk for more news.

Some photos of our learning



Our fabulous choir singing At St Nic's Carol Concert



Running a small enterprise to raise money for a trip



Dancing at The Corn Exchange



Go Team at Winchcombe Care Home

I wish all our students, staff and parents a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please note that the last day of term is **Thursday 20th December 2018** and pupils return to school on **Tuesday 8th January 2018**

Many thanks, Jon Hewitt (Headteacher)

Governors' News

There is much to celebrate with the World of Work programme at Post 16 this Christmas, as it continues to grow, offering greater opportunities for our young people.

As a Disability Confident leader, WOW recently attended a celebration of the scheme as a guest at the House of Commons. Alongside the CEOs of some major corporations, they were able to network and share their views on how people with physical and learning difficulties can be best supported in employment.

In November the WOW team made a presentation at the British Association for Supported Employment conference. As a result, they have received many requests from schools and colleges, as well as the Department of Education, all wanting to come and find out more details.

The individual stories of work placements recounted by our students are truly inspiring; as is the scale of the recognition gained for this programme, by a broad and influential audience.

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas.

Ursula Codrington (Vice Chair of Governors)