

# Headteacher News



Term : Spring 2 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

After more than two years working in bubbles and zones, with restricted movement around site for safety reasons, it has been wonderful to see students and staff mixing together once again. Although we are still being cautious and our focus is still very much on reducing any transmission of Covid, we have managed to get classes out and about around school again. This is not only so beneficial for student learning, but it is also so important for the wellbeing of both students and staff. I am hopeful that after Easter things will continue to improve and we can carry on with this way of working – being the Castle School family.

However, in order to ensure we stay safe and can continue to have classes open we need everyone to work together. With this in mind, please do read the latest protocols on our website [The Castle School - Castle School Parent/Pupil covid-19 protocols \(thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk\)](https://thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk)

The key points are as follows:

- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days.

As always, it has been a packed term with lots of amazing learning taking place

Some photos of our learning



Outdoor Fayre for Ukraine



A Visit from Buttercup



Bacon Butties – raising Money for Ukraine



Reading a letter from our MP

throughout the school. And, despite the continued pressure from Covid-19, our amazing staff team have managed to keep our classes safely staffed and pupils learning. You can read all about what individual classes have done by going to the Class Newsletter page of the website [The Castle School - Class Newsletters \(thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk\)](https://thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk)

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

I wish all our pupils, staff and parents a lovely Easter break. Please note that the last day of term is **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022** and pupils return to school on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

Many thanks, Jon Hewitt (Headteacher)