

Headteacher News



Term 1 2025-2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approached the end of a very busy term first term, I would like to remind all parents and carers about illness. We have had a number of nasty bugs at school recently, which have caused us, on some occasions, to have to close some classes. As such, please follow the guidance below to keep everyone safe and help us to keep every class open:

- 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.

Of course, there have been many wonderful things happening in school this term. You can read more in the class newsletters, which can be found here [The Castle School - Class Newsletters \(thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk\)](https://www.thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk)

Other school news can be found here <https://tinyurl.com/ju8hqjvw>

Our school safeguarding section on the website can be found here. Please do take a look <https://tinyurl.com/39n7t828>

Please also check out our PSHE section, the World of Work section and also the Pastoral section of our website. The links are to the right

Some photos of our learning



To fit with the time of year, I thought that I would include some photos of Halloween learning in Tiverton and Dover

[The Castle School - PSHE](#)

[The Castle School - Pastoral Support](#)

[The Castle School - World of Work](#)

For more information and news please visit us at www.thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk

I would like to wish all our students, staff and parents a lovely half term break.

Please note that the last day of term is Friday 24th October 2025. Students should return to school on **Monday 3rd November 2025**

Many thanks, Jon Hewitt (Headteacher)