# Castle Newsletter

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Castle School Cambridge

### **Dear Families**

We have reached the end of our first week of transition and pupils are settling into their new classes, routines and friendships. This is the first time since 2019 that we have been able to implement a July transition as Covid 19 restrictions prevented this happening during the past two years. We are delighted to be able to bring this process back to the final weeks of this summer term. The benefits of an early transition are enormous and will help us get off to a smooth start in September.

A group of pupils delivered their performance of 'I Am Drums' at The Junction today. This was inspirational and enjoyed by a wide audience including the mayor and his wife. More information about this amazing event next week.

#### Weather Warning

This has been a very warm week and forecasters are warning of extreme heat for the week ahead. A letter has been sent home to parents today about this.

We will do our best to plan calm activities inside or in the shade, make sure rooms are kept as cool as possible and have plenty of water available to drink. In addition, we will be relaxing school uniform, so please send your child in with cool comfortable clothes and a hat.

The bus journey to and from school may also be very hot so if you would prefer to drop off and pick

up your child, please alert your class teacher and do this after 9.10am and before 2.30pm so that the busy transport times can be avoided.

### Sad News

It was with very great sadness that we received the news of the death of our pupil NJ following a period of ill health. NJ will be missed by everyone at Castle and remembered as a great character and friend who was loved by all who knew him. Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this incredibly sad time.

### In Memory of NJ

Bees and Deal class had a memory time to remember NJ, who was a member of Bees class, who sadly passed away last week. We watched videos of NJ at school and shared memoires of taking part in activities together. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Bees and Deal students will be taking part in an African Drumming workshop, as a tribute to NJ, sometime soon.



### Scaffolding

We are having work carried out on the roof of our Sixth Form and lunch hall during the summer holidays. The builders plan to put scaffolding in place this weekend, which will extend around the Sixth Form front courtyard.

The Sixth Form courtyard will therefore look different on Monday. However, the builders will maintain access through the double doors and single pedestrian entrance.

## **Carisbrooke News**

Carisbrooke have had an amazing first week of transition. Our story for the autumn term is 'We're going on a bear hunt' which we have already begun. Our students have enjoyed 'stomping in the mud' with welly boots as well as going through a snowstorm with an umbrella!



One of our favourite activities of the week is swimming. We love splashing around in the pool as well as playing with the floats and watering cans.





Best wishes

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