



The **BROADCAST**

Newsletter 21 Friday 4th March 2022

Dear Families

It's so lovely for everyone to be back this week. We have adopted the changes to education guidance as part of the 'step back' programme from 'Living with COVID'. We no longer will be publishing a specific Risk Assessment for COVID on our website. We will continue to manage any changing situations through our normal Risk Assessment procedures. As a result of this, we will be inviting you to book a face to face Parents' Evening appointment for the first time for a while. More details below.

Parents' Evening

We asked you whether you preferred on line or face to face. The response was 50:50. As a result we are offering you the choice.

Bookings open Monday online

Tuesday 15th March- 3.20pm-6pm

Face to Face. No children are allowed to attend. This is so parents and teachers can concentrate whilst talking to each other.

Appointments are for 10 minutes. There will be an opportunity to see your child's work so please come early for your meeting.

Wednesday 16th March- Online. 4pm-7pm

Your child's work will be available to see after school near the end of term.

Governor Contacts

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Date of next Governor meeting is : May 19th

Please have any questions submitted by: May5th

Big Write
Is linked to World Book Day
'Tell me a Story'

On Thursday 17th February the Local Authority conducted a reading review in school. This was to support the school in ensuring the pupils were having the best opportunities to enjoy books and read fluently. They were really impressed by how much the pupils understood the importance of reading and without regular practice they would find it more difficult to enjoy other subjects and access information. A special mention to Lila and Henry (Year 2) Brooke (Year 3) and Olivia (Year 4) for taking special care of our guests and explaining why we place so much importance on reading and all the ways we read in school and at home.

Football News

A Team - The A Team has successfully made the semi-finals of the knockout cup with a 5-1-win vs Brockworth. The children played brilliantly and we are very proud of them. A special mention to our Year 3 Theo, who came in to help. He scored one goal and was awarded man of the match.

Friends news:
we'll be holding
a donut sale in
both
playgrounds
after school on
Wednesday 9th
March, £1 a
donut.



Readathon: 4th March - 29th April

This year, we will be running a sponsored 'Readathon' in partnership with the local Gloucestershire charity 'Read for Good'.

Every child in school will be coming home today with a bookmark and a sponsor card. The idea is to raise money by being sponsored to read - it is up to you whether you want your child to be sponsored for the number of pages they read or the number of minutes they spend reading.

The money they raise in sponsorship helps to provide a regular supply of brand new books and a resident storyteller to every major children's hospital in the UK and our school receives free books worth 20% of our grand sponsorship total - so there really is something in it for everyone.

Please find below a link to a short video explaining Readathon.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9mwld5sBKes>

Attached is a guide to help you keep your child safe online. Please read it and value the restrictions that Whatsapp has to children having access under the age of 16.

We are all very troubled by the unfolding events in Ukraine. A big thank you to Hattie's mum for organising the donations from our community. Please find attached an information sheet to support you speaking to your child about scary things.

Key Dates for Spring Term 2022

Thursday 10th March- 5pm Year 6 Residential Information Evening

Tuesday 15th March-Parents' Evening- 3.20pm-6pm - Face to Face - (Tutoring will go ahead)

Wednesday 16th March- Parents' Evening- 4pm-7pm - online

Friday 18th March - Red Nose Day - wear red accessory

Friday 25th March-PAWS in

Friday 8th April - Easter Service 1pm-2pm

Friday 8th April - Term finishes at 2pm- Easter Holiday

Red Nose Day - Friday 18th March 2022

Please find attached the plan we have made for Red Nose Day this year. It has been a difficult year for many families and it is important to remember others that may have even had a more significantly time than ourselves. We want to help them.

**All our School Policies are available on our school website-
castlehill.gloucs.sch.uk**