Newsletter 6th March 2020

Letter from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is Friday once again and the sun is welcomed by us all after all the rain we have had. It was lovely standing outside on duty greeting the pupils without standing under an umbrella getting soaked this morning! We are a third of the way through this half term already and are about to say goodbye to some of our Year 8 students who are off to Iceland bright and early on Monday morning. We wish them the very best of times and hope they are as lucky as last year’s cohort who managed to catch a glimpse of the Northern Lights one evening.

Currently we are hosting our Masterful Mentality day for some of our Key Stage 3 pupils and they are joined by pupils from Upton Court Grammar School – they have an action packed day and then a project to start before the end of term. We also hosted a similar event last week for our Year 5 and 6 pupils who were joined by KS2 pupils from Foxborough Primary School – they had a great day and are also working towards publishing their own books in the near future. If your child has been involved, I look forward to joining you for the evening when we celebrate their successes at Upton Court Grammar School at the end of term. Also this week we have ran our annual World Book Day and it was fantastic to see so many costumes yesterday. There were winners from each form class who were presented with gifts from the library. There were a series of events going to throughout the day, including our book sale that has been running next week, and the day ended all calmly across the school when we all dropped everything to read for fifteen minutes.

Staff had a very pioneering day on our Trust Development Day on Mon 24th February. After a very exciting and informative training session, we were also given opportunities to lead and plan our Trust Themed Week that we run at the end of the year. You may remember last year the children had three days working vertically across the school on their VUCA projects – this year we will be launching a very different type of project that we will introduce to children later this term. Staff work across the Trust schools in this project and we hope to produce some kind of exhibition at the end of that week to show off all our hard work and efforts.

This week started with a buzz when Mrs Van Ot and Mrs Gingell announced our Summer production this year - I am sure you have heard we will be producing Sister Act Junior this coming July. Auditions start next week so please do encourage your child to have a go! Mrs Gingell has also been promoting our annual Young Musician of the Year contest and auditions have also been announced for this big event. So many exciting things going on….. Aside from music, we also have chosen to support Sports Relief next week and Mrs Allen and Mr Brazier have requested a theme of red next Thursday. More details to follow. We have also hosted netball tournaments for our year 5 and 6 girls this week, as well as a gymnastic competition. All very exciting!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely weekend and I look forward to updating you again in two weeks with more news, events and successes.

Mrs Nicola Chandler
Head of School
**Year 6 SATS Revision**

With the SAT's tests fast approaching now is the time to put in that extra bit of effort. Revising in small chunks, little and often can make a massive impact to your child’s confidence and progress. Practicing written arithmetic Maths skills is essential and an easy way to boost marks - Any written arithmetic Maths books from WHSmiths, Lett's, Scholastic or CGP will be very useful. Practice on weight and capacity such as; the weight of an apple or the capacity of a cup. Practice on conversions of measurements such as; grams to kg's, metres to km and so on. Reading scales is also an essential life skill that is important to practice. The Maths department have put together a list (found below) of useful websites and resources that might be useful to support your child in their revision. If you are interested in your child receiving private one-to-one tutoring please contact Miss Lane for information.

**Maths Resources (YEAR 6 SAT's)**

BBC Bitesize KS2

- Timestable Rockstars
- Mathletics – free log in
- [https://uk.ixl.com/math/year-6](https://uk.ixl.com/math/year-6)
- [https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/mental-maths](https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/mental-maths)
- Woodlands Maths Zone - [http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/](http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/)
- Woodlands SAT's support - [http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/revision/](http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/revision/)
- [http://www.compare4kids.co.uk/maths.php](http://www.compare4kids.co.uk/maths.php) - This is a Maths Boot Camp with a series of activities to aid year 6 SATs.
- [http://www.adamup.co.uk/](http://www.adamup.co.uk/) - Maths Adventures and Songs to help remember facts

On the Trevelyan Website in the Maths section there is a helpful document describing what each level looks like with some helpful hints for what parents can do to help at home. We will also be sending home some more parent survival guides to support you at home.

The Maths Team

**Pioneer Pedagogy**

*(please see attachment)*

**“Sketching Science” visit to Windsor Castle**

On Wednesday 12th February, a selected group of sixty Year 7 and 8 pupils had the privilege of attending a private viewing of the Queen’s collection of work by Leonardo da Vinci at Windsor Castle. Pupils were able to get very close to his original drawings and were given a talk by a specialist art historian, learning about the science behind Da Vinci’s work.

Pupils spent time drawing their own sketches directly from Da Vinci’s work and gained an understanding of the materials he used, as well as how he used drawing to research the workings of the human body. Pupils were also given a tour of the State Apartments.

We all had a wonderful visit with opportunities that many members of the public do not normally get to experience.
Above are a selection of quick sketches by our year 8 Pupils

Mrs M Paton
PE News

Year 5/6 Netball

On Thursday 27th February and Monday 2nd March, the Year 5 / 6 Netball teams took part in two tournaments hosted at Trevelyan against St Edwards and St Peters. The weather was VERY kind to us and despite rain showers through the day we had lovely (but cold!) weather.

The girls were fantastic and each tournament consisted of seven matches. Slightly shorter matches on Thursday due to the school Disco but nevertheless they managed to get themselves into their competitive minds.

Our Year 6 Purple team managed to beat St Peters School on Monday night, and this is significant as St Peters have just qualified for the Level 3 games to represent Windsor. Sadly, we were not able to get our girls to this competition back in November but we will certainly get there next year when hopefully they can qualify.

Results:

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Year 5/6 Team Gym

On Tuesday 3rd March our Year 5/6 students took part in a Team Gym competition that they have been training for since returning from the Christmas break in January. We had six teams entered, five teams Gym and one Elite. The students have worked really hard and committed to their sessions to create two sequences on each element: Trampette, Vault and Tumble.

We did win the competition and this group will be invited to the Level 3 Games to represent Windsor! Absolutely amazing. Well done to all who took part but particularly to the students (see photo) who will be heading off to the next stage of the competition: Harry Mistry, Lucas Kaczmarczyk, Naya Postigo, Pearl Marsh and Faith Thomas.
The final results were:

1. Trevelyan A
2. Dedworth A
3. Trevelyan E
4. Trevelyan C
5. Trevelyan B
6. Dedworth C
7. Dedworth B
8. Dedworth D
9. Trevelyan D

**Upcoming Events in Term 4**

Monday 9th March  
Year 7 Level 3 Games

Tuesday 17th March  
Year 6, 7,8 Acro Gym Competition

Tuesday 31st March  
Gym and Dance Show

**Sports Day 2020**

Sports day will be held on **Friday 26th June** at Thames Valley Athletics Centre.  
A full breakdown of the day is as follows:

8.20am - 8.30am  
Pupils Arrive

8.40am  
Registration

8.50am - 10.45am  
Year 5/6 Track Events / Year 7/8 Field Events

10.45am - 11.00am  
Break/Changeover

11.00am - 1.00pm  
Year 7/8 Track Events / Year 5/6 Field Events

1.00pm - 1.15pm  
Break

1.15pm - 1.45pm  
Relays

1.45pm - 2.00pm  
Results

2.00pm  
Collection of Year 5 & 6 from field

2.20pm  
Collection of Year 7 & 8 from field

Mrs D Allen
**KS3 News**

The pastoral team have been discussing a Community Contribution initiative that we are wanting to launch across the school but we have decided to start in Key Stage 3, in the coming weeks. We want our students to embody our school values in all that they do and we want to start within the school walls. This initiative will involve each student and the pastoral team are excited to communicate the vision to you and the pupils extremely soon.

Mrs K Gingell

**World Book Day**

Today we celebrated World Book Day at Trevelyan! We had a wide array of characters entering the school gates, ranging from bananas, Mary Poppins, Harry Potter and even a Fing! Here are the pictures of the top costumes in each year group.

**Year 5 winners:** Tyler Taylor, Luke Woolley, Isabel Stevenson, Eva Phipps and Khaysia Steer
**Year 6 winners:** Marina Bonilha, Walter Sinclair, Theo Bowyer, Alana-Jane Barnett and Cassius Wise
**Year 7 winners:** Amy Rossiter, George Harcup, Jonathon Hudd, Marissa Gaynor and Ali Khan
**Year 8 winners:** Ava Thompson, Jaryd Forster, Ryan Davies, Thomas Van Elkan and Luke Warren

We found it really hard, as tutors, to vote! Well done to everyone who dressed up and took part.

Mrs Thompson
Youth Speaks District Final

Last Thursday, our Youth Speaks team participated in the District Final of the National Debating Competition run by the Rotary Club. They were representing not just the school but the Rotary Club of Windsor and Eton having already won two rounds of the competition.

They were up against some stiff competition from Wood Green School, Witney, who were debating the usefulness of competition in life, and a very entertaining speech from Sandhurst School on what is the best thing since sliced bread!

We were absolutely thrilled to announce that our team of Fiona Winters, George Burden and Anushka Sagar gave a superb performance and won the competition. They will now go forward to represent the Thames Valley District at the South East England regional final. We are so proud of them and would like to express our sincere thanks to Mr King for his efforts in coaching them and to their parents for supporting them through the competition.

Mrs E Wooders

Request from DT

WANTED!!!!!

Can we save you a trip to the recycling centre?? Do you need to have a bit of a clear out at home? Have you any bits of furniture that needs a new home?

Well look no further. The DT department are looking for furniture, wood, fabric, old jeans, in fact anything that we can use in DT. We are preparing for a project later in the year and want to start collecting the raw materials now. Anything will be accepted. Please drop it into Reception and we promise it will be put to good use.

Many thanks
DT

PTFA News

This month has brought a whole host of good news for the PTFA.

Firstly, a superb result for our Spring Disco fundraiser - £1840 raised towards school needs. We are most grateful to all parents, helpers and school staff who have supported and sacrificed their evening to help before, during and after the event. Many hands make light work and it’s the helping hands of our volunteers that make an event successful for both kids and adults.

We also have some fantastic news from the Tesco Bags of Help grant scheme. Our application has been successful and the table tennis tables project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores during April, May and June 2020.

The length of the voting period for the Bags of Help scheme has changed to three months and the available funding is up to £2,000 for first place, or £1,000 or £500 for second and third place. You will be able to cast your vote for Trevelyan Middle School Parent, Teacher and Friends Association in six stores:

3211 SLOUGH EXPRESS SL3 7HR Express
2972 LANGLEY SLOUGH EXP SL3 8BB Express
6092 DATCHET EXP SL3 9HW Express
4460 WINDSOR PEASCOD STRET SL4 1EA Express
6742 WINDSOR EXP SL4 3QL Express
3404 WINDSOR SL4 4JT Superstore
There are no restrictions on how many times you can vote. We would be most appreciative of your support. £2000 would cover roughly half the project cost, which is a much needed contribution to our efforts.

Finally, if you are planning a spring clean then please consider donating your items to our next fundraising event. The Bags2School Clothes Recycling Collection will take place on **Wednesday March 18th**. You can donate the following:

- Good quality adults’ and children’s clothing
- Paired Shoes
- Hats, Belts
- Handbags
- Soft Toys
- Bedding
- Curtains and Towels
- **No** duvets, pillows, cushions, school or work uniforms.

Detailed information can be found on [www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com). You are free to use your own black bin bags and drop them off at morning drop-off between **8:10am - 8:45am** in the school main car park. Look out for our helpers to guide you.

Branded Bag2School collection bags will be distributed through the form tutors, however to minimize costs we can’t offer them to every student. Please don’t let that hold you back, any sturdy plastic bag will do.

Time to make space for the summer wardrobe. Please help us raise the much needed funds for Trevelyan school, students and staff.

Your helping hands make a big difference,

Trevelyan PTFA

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**Dates for your diaries**

**Year 6 parents evening**

Thursday 12th March 2020

**Book Fair**

There will be a book fair in the library at lunchtimes running from Tuesday 10th March until Friday 13th March.

The World Book Day £1 tokens can be used at this fair to get a discount off any book priced at £2.99 or more.

Please note: we do not stock the £1 WBD books, but they can be obtained at any bookshop. Please do encourage your child to support this fair as the school will receive commission in free books for every purchase made.

Many thanks
The Library Team
**Performing Arts News**

We will be performing **Sister Act Junior**. for our whole school production this year on 14th, 15th and 16th July!

Auditions for the chorus / ensemble will be on:  
Tuesday 10th March 3.30pm - 5.00pm  
Wednesday 11th March 2.15pm - 3.30pm  
Monday 16th March 3.30pm - 5.00pm

Auditions for lead roles will be on:  
Wednesday 11th March 2.15pm - 3.30pm

Year 8's away on the Iceland trip will audition on:  
Monday 16th March 3.30pm - 5.00pm along with pupils we would like to call back to see again

Rehearsals will begin on Monday 23rd March and will take place every Monday and Tuesday 3.30pm - 5.00pm. All parents of children who have signed up to audition have been emailed further details.

Mrs G Van Ot

**Sports Relief Week**

Next week, from 9th - 13th March, is Sports Relief week. Two things will be happening this week:

**Wednesday 11th,** **Thursday 12th** and **Friday 13th** March: all students will be off their normal timetabled PE lessons for their 2nd lesson of the week. They will take part in a “Sports Relief Shooting Bonanza” for this lesson, which will also link to a house competition across the year groups. There will be prizes to win on the day.

During their “Sports Relief Shooting Bonanza” PE lesson we are happy for the students to wear red t-shirts or red shorts/leggings or other ‘different’ sports kit (although we would encourage red clothing), rather than their normal Trevelyan PE kit. Of course, they all have red socks already. Please note this is just for their designated PE lesson and they will need their normal school uniform for the rest of the school day.

**Thursday 12th** March will be a Sports Relief Mufti day where the students can come into school wearing **RED** in support of Sports Relief but a minimum donation of £1 needs to be paid **via Parent Pay**. Please do not send cash in with your children. You will receive a separate notification of when you will be able to make this donation from.

Mrs D Allen

**PTFA Mufti Day**

Thursday 26th March - PTFA Easter Egg Mufti day. Children are asked to bring in an Easter Egg.

**Young Musician of the Year**

Young Musician of the Year Auditions  
Friday 27th March (Return slips to Mrs Gingell)

Young Musician of the Year Final  
Thursday 7th May, 7 pm

Tickets for Young Musician will become available on Parent Pay after finalists have been announced.

Mrs K Gingell
Other information

Air Cadet Recruitment

The Air Cadets offers a wide range of opportunities including parading, flying, gliding, shooting, sport, DoE and even a Level 2 BTEC in Aviation Studies - worth 2 GCSEs! We also have a Squadron band for those that are interested in music. There are also numerous weekend and week-long residential camps throughout the year both nationally and internationally.

We are the second largest Squadron in Thames Valley Wing and last year were announced to be one of the top 6 most improved Squadrons in the South West region.

We provide most of the kit and uniform; cadets are encouraged to be self-sufficient and look after their uniform. The RAF provides funding for uniforms, premises and a small number of activities. All we ask from you is a small, monthly subscription which goes toward funding all of the other activities. Camps may incur extra costs, but we always try and keep these to a minimum.

For more information about what we get up to, follow us on Twitter: @153AirCadetsIf you want to learn new skills, make new friends and have a huge amount of fun along the way then come along to our next intake on Thursday 2nd April 2020 at 7.15pm. Register your interest by emailing 153@aircadets.org

Rockademy

Rockademy are offering the pupils of Trevelyan Middle School the chance to sign up to their guitar, drum kit or ukulele lessons this year. Lessons are for all abilities and age groups, with an exclusive FREE TASTER session to anyone who enrolls interest before 31st March 2020. Click this link to sign up on their website directly www.rockademy.co.uk/enrollment (please see attached flyer)
**Junior Bake Off**
Love Productions - the company behind The Great British Bake Off, The Great British Sewing Bee and The Great Pottery Throw Down have recently opened applications for the 6th series of Junior Bake Off; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain. They are looking for young budding bakers between the ages of 9 -15 years old.
Applications close on Sunday 5th April 2020, and filming will start from July 2020.
Interested bakers can apply online at - [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk).
*(please see attached flyer)*

**Photography Competition by Farrow and Ball**
Farrow and Ball paint makers are running a competition for a chance to win your child’s very own paint colour and a school holiday trip.
*(please see attached flyer for more details or see Mrs Paton)*

**Easter Trail Family Day**
*(please see attached flyer)*

*Thank you for all your help and support so far*