Welcome to our first March newsletter and the sun is shining outside!! As always it has been a busy fortnight in Trevelyan but also a very exciting one for 4 members of staff and 38 pupils who are off skiing tomorrow morning to Le Corbier in France. Mr Clarke, Miss Lane, Mr Redman and Mrs Giles are braving the slopes themselves and we wish them all a great week full of sun and snow! There is a buzz of excitement flying around the school today with talk of 7 days away so we wish you all a safe and fun week away and look forward to hearing all about it on your return to school on Monday 16th March.

This morning we saw 7KL perform their tutor assembly about Red Nose Day – despite the poignant message behind their assembly, they made it really fun and one hundred percent effort from all involved. This leads on nicely to remind you that next Friday (13th March) Trevelyan will be celebrating Red Nose day with a big cake sale at break time – so please donate bought and homemade cakes and pupils are invited to wear a red top with their school uniform for the minimal cost of £1 for Comic Relief.

Yesterday was World Book Day and despite some pupils not wearing costumes, there were some superb outfits from some pupils. Deputy Head Girl, Molly has written more about this. Children also took place in quizzes and mysterious library visits and the whole school dropped everything to read at 11.30am. All classrooms and offices were in silence and most had smiles on their faces whilst taking the rare opportunity to rest, relax and pick up their favourite book. There are numerous competitions still running and a big thank you to Mrs Flory, Miss Saunders and Mr Ruggieri for organising all of this.

As well as sport, cross country, public speaking, books and skiing, teachers have also been busy this week putting together pupil progress and attitude to learning reports for all pupils. This will lead to our first Parents Evening on Thursday 19th March for our Year 6 pupils and parents. It was a pleasure to see so many year 6 parents attend our SATS information evening last Thursday too. If there were any Year 6 parents who could not attend and you would like a copy of the presentation, please do not hesitate to contact the school office and we can send it over to you. We also start auditions next week for our annual school production. This year we are delighted to announce it will be ANNIE! Children have been asked to bring in a song and to sing for approximately one minute. We look forward to updating you with further stories on this.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter and we will update you again in a fortnight with more exciting news and forthcoming events.

**TREVELYAN PUPILS ARE PUBLIC SPEAKING WINNERS ONCE MORE!**

Year 8 pupils Molly Kemp, Michael Smith, and Ginny Davis, again performed an exceptionally professional and humorous piece of public speaking at the Youth Speaks District Final in Marlow last week.

The Public Speaking Competition which took place saw Trevelyan pick up the winner's Rotary club prize YET AGAIN – the third time they have won! Having already won the zone final back in January, this time the Trevelyan team were up against older pupils at Thorpe House of Gerrard’s Cross,
Cranford House School, Moulsford and St Helen and St Katherine, Abingdon in their Intermediate category. Teams were judged on their meeting management, ability to present and develop an argument and the quality and courtesy of the vote of thanks. The regional final differed from the previous round in that pupils were asked a question based on the content of their speech and the quality of the answer was taken into account in the scoring.

Mr Clarke, Mrs Wooders and myself went to watch the pupils perform, alongside their very proud parents, and they were simply amazing. We are so incredibly proud of these three Year 8 pupils who have worked tirelessly perfecting their speeches. They spoke passionately and confidently with smiles on their faces throughout. All of the presenters were brave, young adults but our Trevelyan pupils really shone and thoroughly deserved the winning trophy.

The regional final takes place towards the end of the Easter Holidays on Saturday 18th April at The Cornwallis Academy, Maidstone. We wish them all the luck in the world (not that they will need it!!)

ENGLISH

As many of you will know, 2015 sees the 800th anniversary of the creation and signing of the Magna Carta. The Magna Carta is a really important document that stopped Kings and Queens having absolute power. It meant they could no longer raise taxes, throw people into jail, or steal property without permission of the people.

While the Magna Carta is celebrated across the UK and the globe, it has especial significance for our area. In 1215, the selfish and cruel King John set out from Windsor Castle to nearby Runnymede. Here, he was forced into signing the Magna Carta by a group of angry locals.

To commemorate this important anniversary, the Royal Borough and Windsor and Maidenhead held a competition for pupils to write their own modern day Magna Carta. At Trevelyan, pupils from 5COD took part in this competition.

While the whole class produced exceptional work, the following pupils were selected to have their work put forward in the borough competition: Sam Lee, Ibraheem Kayani, Louis Toy, Abiha Muzaffar and a joint piece by Kieron Verma and Ellis Short. In addition, Abiha was given a Highly Commended award for her piece.

Most excitingly, all of these pupils’ Magna Carta pieces will be on display within St George’s Chapel within Windsor Castle between Monday March 16th and Thursday April 9th. After this date, the exhibition will go on a tour of libraries and museums across the borough. For more information about this and other events relating to the anniversary of the Magna Carta, visit: http://www.rbwm.gov.uk/web/museum_magna_carta.htm
WORLD BOOK DAY BY MOLLY KEMP

Yesterday Trevelyan celebrated National World Book Day. It was great to see most people who made an effort to take part, even some of the teachers! The costumes were brilliant; James Bond, quite a few Dorchys, Mary Poppins, a number of characters from Divergent, Katniss Everdeen and even Bob the Builder. (From the sticker book of course!) Everyone who dressed up as a book character made such an effort and it was such a fun day trying to figure out who everyone was! In form time there was also a quiz all about books and a competition for the best costume. Our "Drop everything and read" for 15 minutes was great in the middle of the day and overall everyone was so enthusiastic all about books!

PE and SPORT

YEAR 8 NETBALL LEAGUE MATCHES – WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH

The Year 8 netball team had a very successful evening last Wednesday at Kidwells Park. They played really well and worked hard as a team to secure 2 wins. They lost their last match however the score did not reflect the play. Well done Girls.
CC 4 – Trevelyan 2
Cox Green 4 – Trevelyan 6
Newlands 0 – Trevelyan 8

Year 5 and 6 Netball Match v Dedworth – Tuesday 24th March

The Year 5 and 6 A teams have not had a match for a little while but played exceptionally well against Dedworth last week! There were some fantastic skills on display and they really did deserve the win! I look forward to the tournament on the 19th.
Year 6 – Trevelyan 13 – Dedworth 0
Year 5 – Trevelyan 9 – Dedworth 3

NEWS FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT:

On Monday 2nd March, some of Year 8 pupils began work on an environmental science project run by Centrica. The girls (Molly Kemp, Larissa Bowyer, Amy Burridge, Sarah Valentine, Shaina Lovell and Ruby Appleton) will be working with mentors from Centrica over the next ten weeks to complete the project which they will present at a celebration and assessment day in May. Watch this space for progress updates.

On Saturday 7th March, Royal Holloway University are holding their annual Science Festival. It is a FREE event running from 10am until 4pm, which will involve demonstrations, talks and heads-on activities. There will be a housepoint for any pupil who attends and a bonus housepoint for any pupil who can tell Mrs Wooders how to discover her inner cow! Please see the attached flier for further details.

On Friday 20th March, there will be a solar eclipse. In Windsor, we will experience about 90% totality between 8am and 9am. We’re praying for good weather so we can fully appreciate what is a very rare event. 5SS and 5MB have both been making posters about how to view the eclipse without damaging
our eyesight: their posters are now up in the Science department but here are some photos of some outstanding pieces of work.

![Eclipse Poster]

This month’s Science Stars: Zein Darouzi, Ruby Appleton, Alliya Prichard Casey, Tallulah Gregory, Tara Francis, Lulu McKeown.

They join our Scientist of the Month: Maggie Aderin-Pocock. Maggie is a British space scientist and co-host of The Sky at Night (very appropriate for a month containing an eclipse). Maggie was born in London to Nigerian parents and wanted to be an astronaut from an early age, even though some of her teachers tried to put her off because they thought she couldn’t do it. Maggie has dyslexia and she also has a PhD in astrophysics and an MBE for services to science and education. She has built parts for satellites and is committed to helping children to understand that there are no barriers to taking part in Science; to date, she has spoken to more than 25,000 children in schools across the UK about her love of space.

**PUPIL OF THE WEEK**
The following pupils have excelled in their History lessons this term:
Laurie Rae – continued progress in the subject and excellent detail in written work
Gracey Caller + Chloe Caton – excellent attitude to learning in every lesson
Year 5 – Tara Frances for enthusiastic approach to learning in history.
YOUR PTA REALLY NEEDS YOU!
Trevelyan PTA-calling all parents and carers- help!

With the next round of events coming up, the Trevelyan PTA needs as much help as possible. There are very few of us actively involved and we need all the help we can get. The funds raised from the discos, fayres and firework extravaganzas help to provide those extra pieces of equipment that make your child's experience at school that much richer.

So, how can you get involved? Firstly you could come along to a PTA meeting with your ideas or secondly, you could help at one of the events, whether it be serving teas, setting up beforehand or running a stand. Or do both!! There is plenty to do.

We're going to need help:
1. at the next Disco on 4 June
2. at Sports Day on Tuesday 23 June
3. at the Summer Fayre on Saturday 4 July
4. at the Summer Production on Monday 6/Tuesday 7/Wednesday 8/Thursday 9 July

If you would like to help, we would really appreciate it, whatever you can do we would be extremely thankful for. So please drop me a line at pta@trevelyan.org.uk.

Or just turn up at the next PTA meeting, on Wednesday 1st April 2015, held in the school’s staff room at 7pm.

NB: We’ll be having an end of term PTA social event in July, more details to follow, all are invited!

Many thanks

Belinda (Blakeney) (Mum of Tara in 5SS)
Chair Trevelyan PTA

HOMEWORK CLUB
Homework club is being held after school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday until 4.30 pm. This is currently by invitation only. We hope to open it up to all in the summer term.
**BREAKFAST CLUB**
We are pleased to announce that our daily Breakfast club started this week. Pupils have enjoyed a hot drink, cereal and toast before starting their lessons. Thank you to Mrs Florida James and Mrs Fisher for organising activities such as puzzles, PlayStation and board games for those who want to relax with friends after they have eaten.

The club opens for 30 minutes every morning starting at 8.10 in the main hall. Menus are printed below. There is a charge for those pupils not eligible for free school meals.

![Breakfast Club Menu]

**HISTORY OF TREVELYAN**
Mrs Mealing has spent a lot of time producing a history of Trevelyan which documents events in school from 1930 to present day. It has now been uploaded to the website and makes a very interesting read! Please do have a look if you have the time. Thank you to Mrs Mealing for her efforts!

**PARKING ISSUES**
Please can we reiterate once again following complaints from our neighbours that there should be no parking in Calvery Crescent – the road opposite the parent car park. Some parents have been blocking drives in this road and we urge you please not to park there. We are lucky here at Trevelyan to have such a large parent car park so please do use it. Thank you.

We hope you enjoyed reading this newsletter and we wish the ski trip a great week and will look forward to updating you all again in a fortnight.

**Mrs Chandler**
Deputy Headteacher
Discover Science at Royal Holloway

Our annual science festival is a great opportunity to discover some of the amazing science research we do at our campus in Egham, Surrey. This special day on Saturday 7th March 2015 really does have something for all ages and all activities are free.

- Physics
  - How did we invent the Higgs?
  - The Arkivole Machine
- Biological Sciences
  - Meet the scientists that are growing in the core
  - Wizard Entertainment
- Psychology
  - More than a rubber band: Discovering touch
  - The Science of Sleep
- Geography
  - Climate in the real world
  - Exploration and discovery of the mapping world
- Earth Sciences
  - Discover your inner cow
  - Welcome to the Spills laboratory

Computer Science and Information Security Group
- Build a human internet and learn about cyber security
- Secure your devices - a legislation guide

Mathematics
- How do we make your numbers come true when you're older?

How steam railways work
- Live steam engine presented by Bognor Railway Association, Surrey

Libraries
- How are libraries and information services becoming more

Picture Gallery
- Discover history through art and science

We will also be joined by some exciting science partners and speakers on the day including the Bloodhound Superonic Car Project and the Science Museum.

Contact: scienceoutreach@royalholloway.ac.uk for more information
Check our website for updates: royallholloway.ac.uk/sciencefestival

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