Welcome to the penultimate newsletter of the term and as I always say, what a busy fortnight it has been!! With lots of pupils out last week in Le Corbier skiing and with the whole of Year 7 out yesterday visiting Windsor Castle there has been lots of news to talk about.

We also celebrated Red Nose Day last Friday and we cannot thank you enough for the overwhelming display of cakes and goodies we had on offer – a special thank you to Bradley’s grandma for ALL her homemade cakes. We were totally thrilled with them all and had to run the cake sale twice on one day. At breaktime the whole school lined up for a taste in the school hall and with lots still to sell, the stall was set up again in the crush hall at lunchtime. A whooping £300 was made on cakes alone. We also painted the school red with all pupils having the opportunity to dress in a red top – thank you for supporting this as it was a real success!

Last Tuesday we had Pupil Progress afternoon where all pupils have the afternoon off their usual lesson to spend time with their tutor. They have a whole school project to work on and also take this opportunity to have a five minute discussion with their tutor about their recent ATL (attitude to Learning) score. The tutor and pupil decide on targets and some very worthwhile conversations take place. All pupils across the school behaved well and enjoyed the chance to have a chat with their tutor.

This morning we welcomed parents and friends of 6Ej who started the day celebrating being happy – what a positive start to the day it was. We hope you enjoyed the assembly and look forward to welcoming 8DE parents next week. We also had the opportunity to meet Year 6 parents and carers last night in our annual Year 6 Parents’ evening – thank you to all those parents who took the opportunity but we were disappointed, with their exams so near, that a lot of parents missed their appointment.

Please read on to update yourselves with all the latest going ons…….

**IT’S BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK!!**

At Trevelyan, we’ve been focusing on Science during our tutor time activities and the children have been thinking about the big questions of who could be a scientist, where does science happen and what happens when we take the time to observe objects and events really closely.

It was a disappointment that the good old British weather spoiled our chances of seeing the eclipse but fortunately there have been lots of great TV programmes about what’s going on in the sky for you to catch up with on iPlayer if you haven’t already seen them. Year 6 will be studying Space in our final term and we are lucky enough to have a pop-up planetarium coming in so that they can visit the stars in June (and hopefully see a virtual eclipse too).
Year 5 have been taking part in an ‘awesome’ bridge building workshop. (Their words not mine) and here are some pictures of them testing their constructions.

And finally, every pupil has been given the chance to enter the House Science Quiz. Entry forms are still available from Mrs Wooders and they need to be returned on Friday 27th March. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in every year group with bonus points to the House with the highest combined total score. Every entry will earn a housepoint.

**COMIC RELIEF 7KL**

On Friday 7th and Monday 10th March, 7KL presented an assembly all about Comic Relief to raise awareness throughout the School.

*Image of students dressed in Comic Relief costumes*

_We created our own fantastic version of “Up Town Funk” with re-written words and a hilarious music video to ‘do something funny for money!’ We re-named the song “Red Nose Funk” and the DVD will be sold for a bargain price of £2. It’s worth a watch and what better way to donate to charity than to have a few laughs at the same time! All the money raised will go straight to Comic Relief and this year the Government are doubling any amounts raised by Schools, so it’s a great charity to get behind and support. On Friday 20th alone £70 has been raised, in addition to the £300 raised in the cake sale that was set up by Mrs Chandler and ran by 7KL. We hope everyone keeps donating for the DVD’s as they will continue to be sold next week and it’s such a worthy cause._

By Emily Helsby 7KL

**COMIC RELIEF BAKE SALE WRITTEN BY CHARLEY**

Ruby Wheeler, Charley West, Tara Francis and Amelie Maskell (all from 5 SS) had a bake sale after school for red nose day. We had managed to raise £52.45 in less than an hour just outside Tara’s house! As well as it being fun, it was sooooo amazing to see how many people would actually drive past slowly and come back later with money so they could buy some cakes.
We sold:

- Rice crispy Cake
- Sponge rolls
- CANDYFLOSS (made from Charley West’s machine!)
  And at the very end we had to bring Tara’s dad’s lemon drizzle cake out because we had run out of stock.

One lady bought a cake for 20p and said we can have the change from £4.00!

At the end when it started getting dark we put some of Tara’s flashy glasses on, for hope it would draw more attention to the sale.

Once we had packed up and were inside (we had still left the poster out), a young boy came and knocked on the door and asked if there was any cake left. So he bought the last piece of lemon drizzle cake.

The bake sale was a success and we are hoping to do it again next red nose day, as well as for many other charities!

WORLD BOOK DAY

As mentioned in the last newsletter, Trevelyan pupils celebrated World Book Day on March 5th and several competitions and reading activities were launched. Many of the competitions are ongoing and there is still time for pupils to enter.

**Join the Reading Race** This is an inter-form competition where pupils read and review as many books as possible (KS2)

**Design a Book Cover** Pupils choose a favourite book and design their own cover and blurb for it.(KS2)

**Write a Short Story** Pupils can write a short story about anything they like up to 500 words.

**Design a graphic novel cover/first page** (KS3)
Please encourage your child to enter if they haven’t done so already! All competitions end on Monday March 30th. Prize winners will be announced during the last week of term.

The Unknown Zone

“Venture into the unknown zone,
Take a friend,
Don’t go alone.
Dare you take a wrapped up book?
Once it’s open, you’ll be hooked!”

The “Unknown Zone” in the Library has proved really popular with pupils from all year groups. Pupils were invited to take home a library book wrapped up in brown paper and string with only 3 clues about the contents. Many pupils ended up reading a book they would not normally have chosen.

Annabel Hodgkinson (Y6) (re Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman)
“You become attached to the boy and you start feeling the boy’s emotions.”

Marcus Chute (Y6) (re Fish Head Steve by Jamie Smart)
“It was about a town that had a strange thing – their heads have turned into different things! The book is about the wacky, funny adventures they have.”

STEVE COLE AUTHOR EVENT

The author Steve Cole entertained Years 5 and 6 with his mad and hilarious presentation. He encouraged pupils to think about how they would go about inventing character and plot in their writing in a funny and child-friendly way. He chatted to pupils and signed books for them afterwards.
Last week Steve Cole came to Trevelyan to talk about his new book. He was entertaining, fun and no-one got bored! He spoke about his childhood and how salad made him sick. He then told us how you can take one interesting object and another boring object, put them together and make them into something amazing. He made up “dracucumba” and “chombie” (work it out!). He was hilarious to listen to and his new book “Secret Agent Mummy and the Cleopatra Curse” is amazing. We think everyone should read one of his books because they will love them.

By Tara Francis and Amelie Maskell (5SS)

BOOK FAIR
We are holding a book fair in the Library from **Wednesday 25th March** until **Monday 30th March**. Please do try to support the fair as the school will receive commission in free books on all purchases. World Book Day tokens can be used on books purchased over £2.99. If there are any parents willing to come and help out with the fair at lunchtime do please contact Mrs Flory or Mrs Hocking via the School Office.

**Bears Rail – 5th March**

The annual Cross Country Championships took place at Bears Rail, Crimp Hill on Thursday the 5th of March. All Trevelyan competitors worked so hard and competed to the best of their ability for the Trevelyan team. We came 2nd overall with some fantastic individual performances listed below! Well done to all that took part!

Ben Florida-James – Year 5 boys – 3rd

Jenson Wheeler - Year 5 boys – 6th

Himanshi Verma – Year 5 girls – 6th

Max Ratcliffe – Year 6 boys - 5th

Kiran Nathu – Year 7 Boys – 5th

Phillip Mensah - Year 7 Boys – 6th

Thanuri De Silva – Year 8 girls – 6th

Rueben Walsh – Year 8 Boys – 2nd

Tariq Ukkash - Year 8 Boys – 3rd

Emil Mensah - Year 8 Boys – 4th
GYM AND DANCE SHOW – 11TH AND 12TH MARCH

Several pupils have been practising hard every lunchtime for months in preparation for the annual Windsor Schools Gym and Dance Show. It was held at Windsor Boys School on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th of March. I know I am biased but our acts were definitely among the best in the show! Well done to all of the following pupils for being part of such a great show!


Year 5 and 6 Gymnastics Berkshire Finals

The following pupils qualified to represent Windsor at the Year 5 and 6 Berkshire Finals on Tuesday 17th March at Pinewood, Wokingham:

Oliver Lewis
Charlie Lewis
Marcia Karavis
Ellie Mcnab

They competed in three different disciplines: Body Management, Floor and Vault. They were brilliant and all of their hard work shone through in their final performances.

The individual placings have not yet been published but as a team they gained a 3rd place medal! 3rd IN Berkshire!! A fantastic achievement!! Well done!
PUPIL OF THE WEEK – ART

Year 5 – Katie Tull for outstanding observational drawing and accurate use of collage.

Year 6 – Hayden Shuttlewood for outstanding quality block printing.

Year 7 – Gracey Caller for excellent dedication and commitment towards art.

Year 8 – Aliya Pritchard JR for achieving 7A in art for her beautiful bottles mixed media drawing.

LUNCH CONTROLLERS?

Trevelyan Middle School requires enthusiastic friendly people to work as Lunch Controllers duties include but are not limited to supervising the pupils whilst eating lunch and ensuring safe play in the playground.

The hours are from 12.15 to 1.30 Monday to Friday term time only. Please contact the school office if you are interested, or for an application form.

We hope you enjoyed reading the newsletter. We will update you again on the last day of term – Thursday 2nd April.

Mrs N Chandler
Deputy Headteacher