Welcome to the final newsletter this half term and I am sure you are looking forward to the week ahead. A polite reminder that Monday 3rd is an inset day so we welcome children back to school on Tuesday 4th November.

It has been a very, very busy 3 weeks in Trevelyan but with it we bring some good news. Last week we had a two day inspection conducted by the borough who treated it as a mini-Ofsted for us and used the same criteria. We are delighted to report that, the Local Authority now formally recognises Trevelyan as a good school. The pupils, as always, were a real credit and the inspectors commented on the warmth of the school and the polite, happy and respectful pupils. They recognised the rapid progress the school has made and thoroughly enjoyed their time with us. Our headline summary concludes the inspection:

“The effective leadership of the Headteacher and senior leadership team has led to rapid improvement over the last two years. As a result the school has made good progress in addressing key action points from the Ofsted inspection of January 2013. Levels of achievement have improved; the proportion of good or better teaching has increased and leadership at all levels is strengthened and accountable”.

We thought you would be equally pleased to read this!

We also have had a busy time in school recruiting staff, preparing end of term data, introducing our new pupil council and also launching our new reading passport to the pupils. As well as this we had the entertainment this morning provided by 6DK as they led the assembly on Halloween and festivals and a fortnight ago we were impressed by 7AH delivering their very thoughtful assembly. It is always lovely to see so many parents come and support these occasions.

There is plenty to read about in this edition and also lots to look forward to. Mrs Chandler’s parents are running their big quiz again in the school hall on Thursday 13th November. All monies raised will go towards Windsor and East Berkshire Motor Neurone Disease. Please see the information that follows but tickets can be bought via the school office. Feel free to bring along your own refreshments and drinks and make a night of it! We also have our annual Fireworks and bonfire evening on Friday 7th November run by the PTA and lots of dates for your diary in the build up to Christmas.

I hope you enjoy reading all about our latest news and events.

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Keep updated by regularly logging on to our website www.trevelyan.org.uk and following us on Twitter@trevelyanMiddle
Another plea please to ensure ALL property and clothing is named; there are bags and bags of lost property that we cannot return to pupils as there are no names. We would like to inform you that after half term we will ask the children to take off their jumpers and name them (with a sharpie) if parents have not already done so. We are happy to do this for PE kit too as we have so much expensive clothing laying around the school unnamed.

On that note we would also like to remind all pupils that they must come prepared for the school day. This means their locker key, their pens and stationary and their school books. We seem to have had a lot of pupils recently coming unprepared for their school day and this eats into their learning time. We thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Road safety yet again is proving very difficult when pupils take it upon themselves to run across the road in front of cars in the car park. We talk to pupils a lot about this and deliver important messages in assemblies and in lessons but please can you stress this to pupils. We have even had members of the public phone us up concerned that they have almost knocked over our pupils as they are not using the zebra crossings, using their phones so are distracted crossing and even running out in front of moving cars.

Finally, the weather is turning, so please ensure your child is suitably attired for the day with coats and warm clothing. We are always surprised how many children arrive in the mornings without a jumper, let alone a coat! And, also, if cycling to school, a reminder that they must always wear a helmet and may soon be needing lights on their cycle ride home. Thank you.

**MATHS**

A reminder that Year 6 have a Maths P2i due in on the 11th Nov next term.

Year 6 are working on a Maths P2i researching and investigating Pyramids (leaflet on the website). The Maths team can’t wait to see the children’s ideas and masterpieces and these can be handed in at any point during the start of next term with the final deadline of 11th November. We have had some amazing and thought provoking P2i’s from the pupils in prior years so we hope the children have some fun and enjoy the project.

For help and advice in Maths please refer to our website which includes a support for parents link, a parents toolkit link and an overview of the content taught at year 6 (year 5 to follow). Within the curriculum overview you will find ‘child speak targets’ which gives you an insight into the learning that will be covered and the new expectations for every child in year 6.

The link for the parents’ tool kit for helping their children with Maths at home is:

http://www.nnparenttoolkit.org.uk/

Key Stage 2 Mathematician of the week has gone to:

Cerys McCarthy-Widger - Year 6

Saksham Baroka - Year 6

Aku Launonen - Year 5

Well done guys and keep up with the good work!
This month’s Science Stars.

This month our Scientist of the Month is Ada Lovelace. Ada was the daughter of the Romantic poet Lord Byron and was a pioneering computer engineer. She worked with Charles Babbage on his first analytical engines in the 1830’s; the earliest known computers. Joining her on our Science Star board will be Olivia Burke, Thanusan Kiruban, Fabian Quayle, Tom Clarke, Sara Khan, Laurie Rae, Shaina Lovell, Sarah Valentine, Laurie Rae, and Harriet Moss. Well done to all these pupils for their effort in their Science lessons. Who will be our November stars?

P2i

A reminder that Year 7 will be asked to complete their Science P2i projects over the course of November. We have explained the task to them and the task sheet will appear on the P2i page of the website. The deadline for the project will be November 26th. We look forward to seeing what you produce…

PE and SPORT

Trevelyan year 8 v Langtree.

“Trevelyan yr8 football team played Langtree School on the 21st October at Trevelyan in the National Cup, where we won 3 – 2 on a cold, windy Tuesday afternoon, to proceed through to the next round.

It started with Trevelyan opening the scoring when George Pollard (8PY) played a ball over the top of the defence to Alfie Gilbert (8JR) who ran across the goalmouth and shot a perfect ball passed the keeper and into the top right hand corner.

The lead didn’t last long after Langtree got a penalty after the referee judged there had been a handball in the area. The Langtree player stepped up and struck the penalty into the bottom right hand corner.

Soon after, Kyle Ash (8JB) scored a cracker from outside the box floating the ball straight into the top corner to put Trevelyan 2 – 1 up.

Near the end of the first half, Beau Slyfield-Brown (8JR) played a lovely ball over the Langtree defence for Alfie to score his second goal and put Trevelyan 3 – 1 at the half time break.

The second half was not as exciting as the first! Langtree scored within 10 minutes of the restart to make the score 3 – 2.

After that both sides defended well with neither side really creating any good chances. The match ended 3 – 2 to Trevelyan who proceed to the next round of the National Cup.

Congratulations to Tommi Hemmi (8PY) who received the man-of-the-match award for his outstanding performance in defence. He made sure we held our lead and soaked up the pressure Langtree created.’

By Sam Smith
SPORTS LEADERS EVENT – TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER – WINDSOR GIRLS SCHOOL

‘On Tuesday we took part in a Sports Leaders Multi-skills festival for Year 4 students. The whole day we were outside in the wet and windy weather helping the year 4’s participate in lots of different fun activities. Firstly I was in charge of the bean balance station and then we changed and Kaitlin and I led the Invasion game. I really enjoyed the whole day and love being a Trevelyan sports Leader; I hope to take part in lots more sports leaders activities.’ Tara Brogan – Year 8

The Trevelyan Sports Leaders were all fantastic, very well behaved and led their stations like clockwork, even in the wind and rain!

YEAR 7 NETBALL TOURNAMENT – THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER – CHURCHMEAD SCHOOL

On Thursday 16th of October 3 Year 7 teams took part in the Windsor Sports College Netball tournament at Churchmead School. They all played with great enthusiasm and motivation and worked really well with their newly forming teams! They were against some tough opposition but managed to place in the following positions:

3rd – Trevelyan A team
6th – Trevelyan C Team
8th – Trevelyan B team

Well done girls! Mrs O’Donnell

YEAR 8 NETBALL LEAGUE MATCHES – WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER - KIDWELLS PARK, MAIDENHEAD

‘On the 8th of October the Year 8 Netball team played two league matches against Altwood and Cox Green. It was a bit cloudy but it was mostly warm so many of us didn’t bring our coats out of the minibus. We played our first netball match and we won 9-0 but the weather suddenly changed. We
were half way through our match against Cox Green and the score was 1-1 and it started to
rain really heavily! We got soaked! The match was abandoned and we raced back to the
minibus. At least we won our first match!  Lydia Jeramiah – Year 8

Year 8 Netball Tournament  Thursday 9th October  - Churchmead School

2nd place – Trevelyan A
6th Place – Trevelyan B
7th Place – Trevelyan C

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Marcia Williams visit Wednesday 12th November

We are delighted to have the well-known author and illustrator Marcia Williams visiting
Trevelyan next month. She will be talking to Year 5 about her work, including her recent book
“Archie’s War Scrapbook”. All books which have been pre-ordered will arrive on that
date. Pupils are welcome to bring their own copies for Marcia to sign, but please note they
will not be available for purchase on the day.

Bookbuzz.

Many thanks to all Year 7 pupils who have donated £1 for the Book Buzz. Please could pupils
bring in their £1 in a named envelope as soon as possible after half term.

Book Fair

Many thanks to all the parents who came in to help with the Book Fair. We made £80
commission in free books for the library.

RE

This term Miss Jones, Mrs Hannam and Mr Ruggieri have been
engaging Y6 students
with fantastic lessons
about different festivals
from around the world.
Samir Talha says, “Since
the start of Y6 I have
really started to enjoy RE with Mr Ruggieri because
he has made the lessons so much fun.

He has filled them with practical things so we can
remember the information. For example, for Rosh
Hashanah, the Jewish Festival, where you have to
throw away your sins - we threw our sins into a
paddling pool, it was so much fun! I now love RE!”
Another Jewish custom was celebrated in Mrs Hannam’s class where the children had apples and honey which represented the sweetness that Jewish people wish for in their New Year.

For Eid the classes got to try dates as this was the fruit that the Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) broke his fast. Some students were also lucky enough to produce Eid Mubarak cards or Fanoos.

For Diwali celebrations there were also sweets to celebrate the festival and students also made Diva Lamps to celebrate Diwali, the festival of light. Diva lamps are representative of the lights which lead the Rama and Sita home after their battle with Ravanna.

On behalf of everyone at Trevelyan School I would like to take this opportunity to wish those celebrating Diwali a very Happy New Year for yesterday, 23rd of October.

**Pupil of week**

**RE**

Year 5: Alice Cox 5NR. Very detailed and thoughtful RE homework.

Year 6 – Kaif Bhatti (6DK) For your enthusiasm, insightful answers and thoughtful questions during the work on Festivals.

Year 7 – Abdullah Mehmood (7KL) For sharing your knowledge, insights and helping to enrich the learning of everyone in the class during our work on the Quran.

Year 8 – Ella Oakes (8DE) For writing a great script packed with facts and performing it wonderfully during the work we have been doing on Rites of Passage.

**French:**

Year 8: Hicham Khadla, 8JR – excellent results in his spelling tests

Year 7: Jasmin Lewis – 7DM – fantastic progress in French this term

Year 6: Flora Broad 6DK – very good participation in lessons

Year 5: Che-er Hui 5SS - for her effort in French

**FRENCH COUNCIL – MISS KOPACKA**

Our members of Year 8 French Council met recently to discuss different ways of promoting French at Trevelyan.

Students were very keen on preparing a 20 min presentation on French speaking countries that they will present to Year 5 students in November.

We hope to meet up on a regular basis and prepare more and more fun and interesting activities for everyone at Trevelyan.
Parent Governor Vacancy
You will have seen the recent communication to say there is a vacancy for a Parent Governor at Trevelyan. This is a great opportunity to become more involved in helping Trevelyan provide the very best education for all its pupils. If you are interested, but would like to find out more, please feel free to contact Mark Jervis or Tim Walker who are existing parent governors, Mark can be contacted at mark.jervis@btconnect.com or on 01753 863754, Tim can be contacted at lodgwalker@googlemail.com or on 07976820906

We are ideally looking someone with a financial background to complement and strengthen the skills of our existing Governing Body, however we would be interested to hear from anyone who would like to join the Governing Body at Trevelyan.

Philip Watts
Chair of Governors

We really hope you have enjoyed this edition of the newsletter and read all our news. Remember next Monday is our Inset teacher training day so we will see you all back at Trevelyan on Tuesday 4th November.

Wishing you all a very happy and safe half term

Mrs Chandler - Deputy Headteacher

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**Quiz Night**

All proceeds raised will go directly to the: Motor Neurone Disease Association Windsor & East Berkshire Volunteer’s Group

**Thursday 13th November 7.30 p.m.**
Trevelyan School
Wood Close, Windsor, SL4 3LL
Free Parking via Wood Close Entrance

Come ready and prepared in your team of 6 maximum

**Ticket Price: £5.00 Per Person to include:**
Delicious Cake, Tea/Coffee/Squash & the Quiz!

You are welcome to bring your own alcoholic drink & glass.

Raffle tickets can be purchased on the night.

Thank you for your support!