Welcome to the penultimate newsletter of 2016! December is here, as is the cold, frosty mornings, but this brings a host of all exciting things going on at Trevelyan. This afternoon at 3.30pm kicks off the festive period with our PTA Christmas market. Lots of lovely things to buy, games to play and delicious food and drink to purchase and enjoy - we hope to see you there! Tomorrow morning 6DA will lead assembly; followed by 7SS the following week and then 5VB host assembly on Christmas jumper day – lots to look forward to.

Next week we have tutor progress afternoon where all pupils have the opportunity to speak to their tutor about their progress and targets – this is followed by a Tutor Parents’ evening the next day where you have the chance to discuss your child’s report with their tutor. Then we move into the last full week of term and Monday 12th Miss Ellis and pupils will put on our Christmas concert. Tickets are available at £5 each and we guarantee it will get you into the festive spirit. Then on the Friday (16th) it is our annual Christmas jumper day as well as the pupil’s Christmas dinner day – a really enjoyable day for all! Following the weekend, it is just a day and a half to go and all pupils finish school on Tuesday 22 December at 1.00pm.

We hope to see you all at some stage in the next two weeks whether you are coming to watch assembly, joining us this afternoon at the fair; watching the Christmas concert and also when you attend your child’s Parents’ evening appointment next Thursday.

**Jumpers** – Jumpers are part of the school uniform and must be worn between October half term and Easter. Especially with the cold weather, we have to take seriously the welfare of the children.

**Safeguarding** - we have improved the security of the school with additional fencing. Only the gate by PE is open between 8.15am and 8.45 in the morning and 3.15 and 3.45pm in the afternoon. Access and exit outside these times has to be done through reception.

**Parents’ evening** on Thursday 8th December to meet the tutor and discuss the report. Please make an appointment via the letter given to your son/daughter.

**Reminder to parents:** If your child is off sick, you are required to phone the school and leave a message on the absence line before 9.30am every day that your child is absent. Failure to do this will mean your child will be given an unauthorised absence mark in the register!
I hope you enjoy reading all our news and the last newsletter of 2016 will be out on Friday 16th December.

**ADVENT CONCERT - WINDSOR**

I just want to let you know how proud we were with our Trevelyan singers in church on Sunday - they were so engaged in the whole event, in perfect uniform and sang amazingly well. Lots of people came and told Mrs Noakes, who organised the event, afterwards how beautiful they all sounded, and that they could be heard even right at the back of the church. A big well done to the following pupils and please see Miss Ellis for your house points:

- Daniel Tang
- Gracie Mynard
- Daniel O'Connor
- Ryan James
- Anna Babis
- Lawrence Beboso
- Ruth Mendy

**Year 5 boys’ football**

The Year 5 football team played Dedworth on a very cold 23rd of November, but thankfully the manner of the boys performance and the result made for a warm feeling. However things started badly, after having some early domination, the boys went 2-0 down. They strengthen their defence and through a combination of quality football and some fantastic finishing came back to lead at half time 5-2. Again some lovely strikes from outside the box in the second half continued the dominance of the Trevelyan and the boys came out 8-3 winning. Well done to the following boys

- Mani Hilton
- Thomas Biddulph-Dunlop
- Lockie Lee
- Alfie Holland
- Aaron Devlin
- Rhys Alinmore

**Congratulations to Year 5 and 6 Boys Football Team**

The Year 5 and 6 boys' football team joined the girls into the knock out stage of the County Cup following two wins in the past three weeks. The boys have played well in all their games, but they have grown in confidence as the games went on and really dominated their third game winning 8-1, against Wildridings. They work exceptionally hard and do not allow the opposition time on the ball and when they have the ball themselves play some excellent football. This followed a 3-0 win against St Michaels
to give the boys a 100% record in the group stage and finishing top. Well done to all the boys involved and good luck in the knock out stage after Christmas:

Oliver Rothschild
Max Kingsman
James Miller
Finlay Creffield
Stoyan Ilkov
Freddie Ramsden Head
Jack Arnold
Freddie Chandler
Lockie Lee
Thomas Biddulph-Dunlop

Sporting Achievements

Last year Matthew Berrecloth (6BD) took part in a Fencing Competition outside of school where he won the under 10s competition. This year, he took part again in the Under 12s and came 4th. Well Done Matthew! Great achievement. He is excited to be working with a new weapon now, the Epee, so his parents and us in the PE department are very proud of his achievements. There is a picture of him with his medal last year displayed in the PE Block.

Mathis (6BD) in year 6 was proudly selected as Player of the Team last year at his football club and a picture of him displayed with his trophy in the PE Block. Well Done Mathis, good luck this year!

Sports Hall Athletics

On 24th November we took x60 Trevelyan pupils to the annual Sports Hall Athletics competition against the other schools in the Windsor area. All pupils behaved very well and represented the school proudly and I can’t sing their praises enough.

The year 5/6 squad (boys and girls) came third overall out of 7.

The year 7/8 teams were entered separately as a boys and girls team. The girls came 2nd and the boys came 4th.

Well done to everyone who took part. A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Alysha Goldsworthy and Wendy Alves who assisted me with the Year 5/6 squads and demonstrated why they were chosen as Sports Leaders with their organisation and reliability. Thank you girls!
The Sports Leaders

The Sports Leaders have helped with the year 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics selections for two weeks and they have been amazing; from helping the younger students learn how to do an activity to helping Mrs Allen collate times and measurements and with selections. Amazing work all of them!

Due to Frances Rae in Year 8 being helpful and enthusiastic in all her PE lessons and helping the Sports Leaders with their tasks, she has now been appointed a Sports Leader. Congratulations Frances!

Year 7 Trevelyan Netball Match

On Thursday 17th November, Trevelyan Year 7 Netball team took part in a tournament where the rivals were Claires Court School, St Peters, and Furze Platt who, as the home team, needs to be thanked for organising this event. Trevelyan drew a match, won two matches and unfortunately lost one. However, retrieving their spirits from the first match Trevelyan took their coach’s advice and managed to draw. Even though they did well in the match, Trevelyan pushed hard to win a game, but it was worth the fight. Charley (GA) in the last minute – when everyone thought that it wasn’t possible – threw the ball and it balanced on top of the hoop then fell straight in! This meant that Trevelyan had won their first game (1-0). Proceeding to the next game, Trevelyan fought harder than ever. Pass by pass, within just only two minutes, Lucy (GS) managed to score a goal. As time flew by, Charley swooped in and scored two more. Delivering a final score of 3-0.

I would like to thank our coach Miss Dixon for spending the time to make our team the best they can be. Also I would like to thank Mr Devlin for taking his spare time to drive us to and from Furze Platt.

Written by Alix Aigle (The Netball Captain)

HOUSE MATCHES

As always in the penultimate week of term, all pupils will be taking part in house matches – football for the boys and netball for the girls. These will take place the week commencing Monday 12th December. All children will need their PE kits on the days stated below:
Growth Mindset

This term pupils at Trevelyan have been learning about Growth Mindset. Growth Mindset is based around the principle of embracing challenges, equipping pupils with the ability to solve problems and the understanding that learning is not fixed.

This has been covered in PSHE lessons across the whole school, in tutor time reflections sessions and in assemblies led by Miss Dixon, Mr Jerrold, Mr Redman, Miss Lane and Mr York.

If you are interested in finding out more, you can read Carol Dweck’s Growth Mindset book available from many book sellers: https://www.amazon.co.uk/Mindset-Fulfil-Potential-Feb-02-2012-Paperback/dp/B00BOOGWNA/ref=sr_1_6?ie=UTF8&qid=1480424673&sr=8-6&keywords=carol+dweck

Carol Dweck also has some useful information on YouTube.

It will take some time, but Trevelyan are aiming to be a Growth Mindset school.

Many thanks,

Miss Ellis, Mr Jerrold, Miss Dixon.
YEAR 5 MATHS QUANTUM THEATRE VISIT

Year 5’s had a treat last week when the Quantum Theatre Company visited the school and took them through a spectacular mathematical journey based on Star Wars. The children were captivated and after the show some of the Year 5s wrote about what they had liked and what they had learned:

‘I liked the fantastic actors, they were brilliant and I loved how they linked Star Wars in it. I learnt how to understand sequences and to figure out the area of complicated shapes.’

‘I liked that they put the theme on Star Wars. I learned about obtuse, acute and right angles.’

‘I liked it when they made us their Siri and asked us the questions, so we could have a go at them. I learned more about angles.’

‘I enjoyed the Darth Vader Battle. I learned that you can use negative co-ordinates.’

‘I liked that they were funny and that they squirted water at us even though I didn’t get wet. I learned about coordinates.’

‘I liked that Quantum Theatre put something like Maths into a fun experience and they make people enjoy learning. I learned about measures and that a full circle is 360 degrees.’

‘I liked the music and learned more about shape.’

We will share some photos with you in our next newsletter.

FROM THE MATHS DEPARTMENT

The day that Pacman ate all of the right angles!!

In Maths this term year 6 have been learning about Angles.

In our lessons the pupils used an angle measurer, and an angle eater to find right angles around the school!

I was amazed to see just how many right angles there are around us, without realising it!

Year 6 P2I

Once again our year 6 pupils have astounded us with their hard work, exciting ideas and effort! So much so that we have decided to reward one top prize per maths class, but because the P2I’s were at such a high standard, we have also decided to give more prizes per class! The results will be finalised in the next newsletter. However, here is a taster of some of the high quality P2I’s we have received.
Maths BAM Competition

A reminder that the Maths Team have just launched their Christmas Competition for year 5. Letters have been sent home to explain what is needed but the idea is for the children (with your support) to achieve their Christmas maths target and make a sub-level worth of progress.

Each child in the school have now received a personal target just for them to work on relating to what they need to do to improve. We encourage all pupils to work on this target at home either independently or with support. We will check to see if they have achieved it at the end of this term.

In order to achieve their Christmas Target year 5 need to show their effort by keeping a log of what they work on using the personalised target sheets that have been sent home. The children then bring these target sheets back into school when requested so their teacher can see how much effort they have put in and what they have worked on.
In the final week of term certificates and prizes will be given out to children who have achieved their Christmas target and to those who have shown extra effort!
Below is a list of some resources and ideas to help you support your child in their efforts to achieve their target.

There are also some links on the School website to help. The Parents’ Toolkit and the Support for Parents links are very helpful giving simple, practical ideas to do at home.
We wish the children good luck in achieving their Christmas Target and we look forward to rewarding those that go the extra mile and seeing the progress they make.

We would also like to thank you for your time and support in helping your child to achieve their Christmas Target. Working together we can make a real difference to your child's learning.
Ideas for supporting your child in their maths at home.

Here are a list of Maths websites that promote a fun way to learn with free, online interactive games and puzzles.

Snappmaths.com
Woodlands Maths Zone
Education City
MyMaths
www.examninja.co.uk
Www.Mathsisfun.com
Www.Topmarks.co.uk
http://www.transum.org/Software/SW/YouTube/
https://www.khanacademy.org
Maths Apps for Android and IPhone
Mathmateer
Squeebles Maths Bingo
Operation Maths
Times tables pro
Maths Evolve
Bubble Pop Multiplication
IQ Times Tables
Maths Skills Builders
Number Monster
Mathsboard
Medieval Maths Battle
Rising stars

For information on what your child is currently learning please go to the school website, search curriculum, maths and click on Pupil Targets.

You will also find a parent support pack and parent tool kit for helping you support your child at home.

For information on the calculation methods that are used at Trevelyan please go to the curriculum section, maths and click on the Calculation Policy link.

We hope you find this information helpful.

Have fun!

**PUPIL OF THE WEEK – RE**

Ruth Mendy – 5JM - For good attitude, enthusiasm and great contributions to class discussions on Judaism.

Stoyan Ilkov 6JB – enthusiastic, helpful and always a willing participant in questioning time

Anna Theobald – 7KE – very hardworking, offers fantastic input in every lesson

Oliver Sheppard 8DK – enthusiastic, always offering insightful opinions and tries hard

**ACCELERATED READER OF THE WEEK**

5EW    Saaniyah Khan
5AH    Haris Symos
5TF    Harvey Sahota
5VB    Hannah Dyson
6BD    Issy Wise
WHAT A DIFFERENCE!

At the beginning of November Trevelyan School was very lucky to have Neil Dodds, Pete Wilson and Conor Langley from Frogmore Garden Crown Estates come into school and transfer the over grown pond area at the front of the school.

The weather was in our favour and in two days these three men transferred the above into the below.
The Science department have expressed an interest in sewing some wild meadow seeds around the pond which will encourage wildlife into the area.

A special thank you also to Mickey James and Paul Lawrence who took all the removed garden waste away for us.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs N Chandler
Deputy Headteacher
Cold weather messages for children and parents

1. Children with flu have the same symptoms as adults – including fever, chills, aching muscles, headache, stuffy nose, dry cough and a sore throat lasting up to a week. Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children with potentially serious complications, including bronchitis and pneumonia. The flu vaccine is routinely given on the NHS as an annual nasal spray to children aged two, three and four years old plus children in school years one, two and three (NHS Choices)

2. Put several layers of clothing on your child and make sure their head, neck and hands are covered. If they then get warm, they can take one layer off at a time. Dress babies and young children in one more layer than an adult would wear. (Save the Children)

3. In drier winter air children lose more water through their breath. Keep them drinking and try giving them warm drinks and soup for extra appeal. (Save the Children)

4. Make sure your children are wearing footwear with a good grip to reduce the risk of slipping and falling on icy pavements and take your time when walking! (Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council)

5. Due to darker mornings and evenings, it is recommended that children wear or carry something to make them more visible when making journeys. This should be something bright or fluorescent during the day and something reflective at dusk and in the dark (Department for Transport)

6. Signs of frostbite are pale, grey or blistered skin on the fingers, ears, nose, and toes. If you think your child has frostbite bring the child indoors and put the affected area in warm (not hot) water. Signs of hypothermia are shivering, slurred speech, and unusual clumsiness. If you think your child has hypothermia call 999 immediately. (Save the Children)