



Trevelyan Middle School

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Parent/Carer Newsletter- Thursday 5th February 2026

Key dates for your diary

- Monday 9th - Friday 13th – Year 8 Spain Residential
- **Friday 13th February - Term ends at 3:15pm**
- *Half Term - Monday 16th - Friday 20th February*
- *Monday 23rd February - Pioneer Summit Day for Staff only (School closed for pupils)*
- **Tuesday 24th February - Pupils return, all pupils should be on site by 8:25am**

Library News - Accelerated Reader

26/01-01/02

Name	Form	Words Read
Orla	5A	12,480
Elizabeth	5C	503,459
Edward	5S	26,496
Manha	6A	118,755
Elijah	6S	43,814
Jack	7C	99,750
Evan	7E	157,220
Henry	8C	84,898

Congratulations to Amethyst who had the most words read for KS2 with 131,235 words and to Citrine who had the most words read for KS3 with 184,648 words.

The Home Connect website is now available to allow the children to log into access the Accelerated Reader Quizzes at home. All the children should know their username and password, which is the same as they use at school. If they do not know this information, please ask them to ask their form tutor or English teacher.

To login to the Home connect website please follow the link below.

<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/studentprogress/homeconnect?t=2232656>

Trevelyan Middle School's new headteacher

We are writing to inform you of the appointment of Trevelyan Middle School's new headteacher.

Following a robust and highly competitive recruitment process, we are delighted to confirm that we have appointed an experienced and exceptional candidate. The process included a range of assessment activities and interviews involving senior leaders, governors and Pioneer colleagues ensuring that the appointment was made with great care and with the best interests of the school community firmly at its heart.

Grant Strudley will be joining the school as its new headteacher on Monday 23 February so straight after half term.

Our new headteacher brings with him significant leadership experience having previously served as a headteacher in two schools. He has a strong track record of school improvement, a clear commitment to high standards, and a values-driven approach to leadership. We are delighted that someone with his depth of experience and expertise is joining our team, and we are confident that Mr Strudley will provide excellent leadership of Trevelyan moving forward.

We would like to thank everyone involved in the recruitment process for their time, professionalism and thoughtful contributions. We look forward to working in partnership with Mr Strudley and are excited about the next chapter for the school.

We know you will join us in offering him a very warm welcome in the very near future.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Barr

Chair of Governors, Trevelyan Middle School

Rajesh Sharma

Chair of Pioneer Trust Board, Pioneer Educational Trust

Antonia Spinks

CEO, Pioneer Educational Trust



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MCAS/Bromcom Support feedback

We've had limited responses so far and would really value hearing from more parents to better understand our community's perspectives. Please find the link here: [MCAS/Bromcom Feedback Form – Fill out form](#)

Visit from Lord Hain

On Tuesday, 3rd February, we were delighted to welcome Lord Hain to the school for a very special and memorable visit. During his time with us, Lord Hain spoke openly and engagingly about his life achievements and personal experiences, drawing on his extensive career in public service. He provided pupils with a fascinating and informative insight into the role, responsibilities, and challenges of a parliamentarian, helping to bring political life and civic duty to life in a meaningful way. He also shared reflections on his relationships with several prominent figures, including Tony Blair, Gordon Brown, His Majesty The King, and, most notably, Nelson Mandela.

Pupils were fully engaged throughout the session, listening attentively and demonstrating genuine curiosity through a range of thoughtful and well-considered questions. This interaction helped to deepen their understanding of public life, leadership, democracy, and civic responsibility, while also encouraging them to think critically about their own roles as active citizens.

Members of the Pioneer Parliament and the Debating Club also had the opportunity to take part in a dedicated session with Lord Hain. This smaller, focused discussion allowed pupils to ask more in-depth questions and gain valuable first-hand insight from a highly experienced public figure.

Overall, the visit was a highly positive and enriching experience for all involved, and one that pupils found both inspiring and educational.

