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Dear Parents,

Sporting news

Congratulations to our Year 3 and Year 4 gymnastic team. They thoroughly enjoyed their experience participating in the Gymnastics Festival held at Trevelyan Middle School and run by the Windsor Sports Partnership. The children represented the school brilliantly. Congratulations to the Year 4 team who won their competition and came back to school with medals and certificates. Many thanks to Mrs Brown and Mr Hawkes who accompanied the children. There is a news item up on the website.

Year 1 Trip

The children in Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their day out at the Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium. The visit helped them extend their Space learning further. They enjoyed finding out about life in Space. There are lots of photographs up on the website for you to see. It is lovely to be able to re-introduce some visits and visitors to enhance the learning children do in school; it makes a such a difference to the children's learning experiences. The Winchester Science Centre is open throughout the half term and provides a menu of child friendly learning experiences. Many thanks to Miss Horth, Mrs Hall, Mrs Wright and the parent helpers who accompanied the children.

I am including the link to their website in case it is of interest: <https://www.winchestersciencecentre.org/>

SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disability)

I have received information from *The Information, Advice and Support Service (IASS)* who provide free, impartial and confidential advice to young people and their parents and carers who have SEND. I am sending out a flyer together with this newsletter on ways in which parents and carers of children with SEND can have their say in the provision within the Royal Borough.

Year 3 Assembly

The Year 3 children shared their learning and led our worship today at St Stephen's Church. They spoke confidently about their history learning about the Ancient Egyptians, including sharing their knowledge through song. They also told us about their story writing and dragon art work. The dragon eyes were brilliant and quite scary! It was good to see so many parents supporting their children. Having an eager audience makes such a difference to the children. Thank you to Father Richard for supporting the school and giving the final blessing.

Staffing

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Wright after many years involved with the school as a parent and later as a staff member. Mrs Wright has also been a serving governor. She is going onto an exciting new opportunity and we wish her well in her new career. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank her for her excellent contribution to the school over the years.



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Reception Outdoor Area

I am pleased to say that the old fence separating the car park at the front of the school and the Reception outdoor area has been replaced with a smart new one set further back to allow more outdoor learning space for our youngest children. Next week we will have the play specialist company onsite most of the week removing the decking area and preparing the outdoor surface ready for a combination of artificial grass and colourful rubber-based surface. It is hoped that most of the noisy demolition work will take place over half term but we will continue to have the team here during the first week of the new half term. This is an exciting time in the life of the school. Thank you to the parents who supported the movement of several bulky and very heavy items yesterday in preparation for the work. Thank you also to all of those who have supported many TSSSA events which have raised valuable funds for this project, including the Cake Sale this evening. This is phase one of the project and we will be continuing to fund resources and storage for the area throughout the rest of the year.

World Book Day

Trinity St Stephens is excited to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 10 March. All the children will be reading a story by Simon Philip called 'You must bring a hat!' They will be completing lots of fun activities centred on this story throughout the day. We are asking all children to come to school on this day in a homemade or embellished hat that links to a book of their choice. We will be holding a hat parade and there will prizes for each year group to celebrate the most inventive and imaginative hats. We can't wait to see them!

Parents' Evenings

The sign-up sheets have been available before and after school this week. If you have not already signed up the sheets will be available on the outdoor stage on the playground at the end of the day. This is an important opportunity to come and see your child's learning and talk to the class teacher about next steps. We have all been missing this aspect of school life, please don't miss out.

I am attaching the risk assessment for this event to this newsletter. It is important that you read the guidance for attendance as the evenings will run slightly differently to previous parent teacher meetings.

In summary the guidance states:

- Please wear masks and sanitise your hands on arrival in school. A code will be sent out so that you can let yourself in through the school front door.
- If you would like the opportunity to see your child's books please arrive approximately 15 minutes before your appointment to see their work in the classrooms. Once in the hall you will be directed out of the school via the hall door and leave the premises via the Oxford Road Gate.
- If you have more than one child in the school please arrange to attend appointments on different evenings or see all the books before arriving in the hall.
- Please be punctual. Parents arriving early or late may not be seen.



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Please be aware that the After School Club will need to continue to run. This will mean that on Thursday 03 March the Year 2 classroom will be used and any Year 2 parents with appointments will be able to look at books in the Year 1 classroom. On Monday 07 March the Year 1 classroom will be used for the club and Year 1 books will be located in the Year 2 classroom.

Finally, a reminder that the school has a training day tomorrow. I wish you all a happy and relaxing half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 28 February.

Kind regards,

Louise Lovegrove

Dates for your diary:

18 February 2022	<i>In Service Training Day</i>
21 to 25 February 2022	Half Term
28 February 2022	Return to school
03 March 2022	Fantastic FRED workshops
03 March 2022	Year 3 Tag Rugby Festival
03 March 2022	Year 2 Florence Nightingale theatre workshop
03 March 2022	Whole School Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)
07 March 2022	Year 3 & 4 Shakespeare workshop
07 March 2022	Whole School Parents' Evening (5.00-8.00pm)
10 March 2022	World Book Day Celebrations
11 March 2022	Year 4 visit to the Sewage Farm
02 April 2022	TSSSA Bunny Bingo (<i>more details to follow</i>)
05 April 2022	Year 4 Dance Festival
08 April 2022	Term Finishes



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