

Tuesday, February 8

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1725: Peter the Great of Russia died, following a reign that saw Russia drawn increasingly into the European sphere of influence**

1693: A charter was granted for the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia

1904: The Russo-Japanese War began with a Japanese attack on the Russian fleet at Port Arthur

1937: General Franco captured Malaga during the Spanish Civil War

2010: A colony of Galapagos Islands fur seals relocated 1,500km to northern Peru, the first time they had set up a colony outside the islands