



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2022

Weekly Newsletter

10th February 2023

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAY 13th FEBRUARY -

FRIDAY 17th FEBRUARY

Half Term

MONDAY 20th FEBRUARY

Children Return to School

Clubs Continue

WEDNESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY

Form 3 Class Assembly

THURSDAY 23rd FEBRUARY

Forms 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Tournament

Northern Gateway

FRIDAY 24th FEBRUARY

Form 3 Cake Sale

MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY

Life Support Roadshow

Forms 5 and 6

ESB Starts - Forms 2 and 3

TUESDAY 28th FEBRUARY

World Book Day

WEDNESDAY 1st MARCH

National Offer Day

WEDNESDAY 8th MARCH

Fellowship Afloat Parent Meeting

Form 5 – 2.45pm

FRIDAY 10th MARCH

School Reports Sent Home

FOMCS Bingo Night

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

6th - 19th February

Maldon Court wishes

Lachlan Jones, Noah Prempeh Bonsu,

Finn Lacey, Henry Allen, Rose Hayes,

George Fisher, Aliya Procter,

Jessica Strong, Mrs Bonner and

Mrs Dibben

a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

Our celebration assembly this week was a very busy one and that is due to the hard work of all of the children. The much anticipated ESB results were announced and what an exceptional set of results we had. The Forms 4, 5 and 6 children who sat the exams really have surpassed all expectations this year. I am delighted to announce that we have had another 100% pass rate with what is a challenging examination whereby children have to recite poetry, read prose and share a presentation that they have written. Not only did we achieve a 100% pass rate but the children have excelled themselves with 100% of children gaining a Merit Plus or a Distinction. To gain a Merit Plus, children must achieve over 95% overall and to gain a Distinction children must achieve over 98%. 80% of children gained a Distinction and 20% of children gained a Merit Plus. I am sure you will agree with me that these are an incredible set of results and the children should be so proud of themselves. Thanks you to Mrs Deakin for her hard work, care and dedication to ensuring that the children achieve the highest of standards in this national accreditation. Well done to all children and we look forward to Forms 2 and 3 completing this after half term.

Congratulations to Ellie Hibbard who won a Cool to be Kind award this week and to Pip Cowell and Reuben Crozier who achieved their Rock Hero badges for TT Rockstars. Great achievements, well done.

Finally, it is with much sadness that today is Mrs Dibben's final day here at Maldon Court. Mrs Dibben has been a part of the Maldon Court family for over 15 years as a parent to George and Harry, an integral part of the PTA for many years and finally a highly valued and regarded HLTA for a number of years. Mrs Dibben now lives in Shoeburyness and the commute to school is just not feasible anymore, despite her very best efforts for over 2 years! Mrs Dibben will be sorely missed by all of the staff and children. We wish her all the very best for the future and thank her for her unwavering commitment to the school and to the children.

NURSERY - This week, the children have enjoyed learning about the story of Phileas Fogg; Around the World in 80 Days. We travelled in our hot air balloon to visit some of the countries from the book. Our first stop was Paris, where we visited the French Restaurant set up in our role play zone. We spent time in Egypt, which was in our creative zone where we enjoyed printing triangles out of paint to create the Egyptian Pyramids. We danced to Indian and Chinese music during physical time and watched a video about Japan. Our tuff tray had a beach theme, which we pretended was in America. After half term, our topic is Food. Please send in a photo of your child enjoying their favourite food.
Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION AND FORM 5 - Pre-Reception and Form 5 had the most amazing day at the sea life centre on Tuesday to extend and support our topic 'The Rainbow Fish'. The children were very lucky to be able to watch the penguins and meerkats being fed and listen to a very informative talk all about them. The lady then answered all of our fantastic questions. We also had lots of fun exploring, seeing all of the different animals and their enclosures. The dinosaur and butterfly walkthrough were very popular, and the children were fascinated. What a special treat going with our buddies and what great role models they were, a great day had by all.
Mrs Kennedy and Mrs Warman



FORM 1 - This week we finished our final art lesson, sculptures. The children all worked together to twist, bend, fold paper together to make a mini ant park. The results were excellent, and they had lots of fun. We have really enjoyed our paper art unit this half term and have been left with some beautiful art work including our stain glass windows you can now see up in Form 1s classroom. The children really loved the Papier Maché lesson but unfortunately needed more layering so luckily the children have taken it home to have another go (sorry parents).
Miss Vaughan



MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

The children at Maldon Court have had an excellent week celebrating Children's Mental Health Week where the theme this year is 'Let's Connect'. As you can see from the photos, a range of different activities were completed. These activities were all suggested by our school council and healthy schools committees. So thank you to them for their fantastic ideas!

On Monday we enjoyed our Dress to Express Day. On Tuesday we also celebrated Safer Internet Day. On Wednesday we had a lovely 'golden time afternoon'. On Thursday we had a range of different team building activities going on. Lastly, on Friday, we all got together for our Maldon Court 'squash and biscuit morning' where different classes around the school got together in the school hall and enjoyed exactly that.. some squash and biscuits. It was so lovely for the classes to see children they may not usually come across as often around the school. Well done to everybody and happy Mental Health Week.



FORM 4 - Form 4 has been investigating sound. We have made string telephones to see, hear and feel sound travelling and made straw pan pipes to experiment with changing pitch; what a wonderful sound that made... Mrs Baron



PUPIL VOICE - This week is Mental Health Week. On Monday it was Dress to Express Day and everybody came in different, wonderful costumes. Form 6 said it was great to have a break from the usual uniform. It also allowed you to see other outfits and how they express the person. On Tuesday it was Safer Internet Day and Miss Vaughan did an excellent assembly. We learnt about different age ratings for games you play online, but also to be careful and stay safe. On Thursday we had team building activities where we had to work together to build bridges. Finally, on Friday we met with another form for a biscuit and a chat. It was lovely to meet children that you do not usually interact with.
Elijah Hawes and Scarlett Abrehart - Form 6

PE Timetable - W/C 20th FEBRUARY		
Onsite PE lesson		
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pre-Reception Form 1 Form 2		Reception Form 1 Form 2
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm		Swimming
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Forms 5 and 6	Forms 3 and 4	Forms 4, 5 and 6
Sports Club for Forms 3 and 4 Thursday 23rd February - All Weather Pitch Collection at 4.15pm		

Wishing you all a lovely half term
Mrs E Mason - Headteacher

FOMCS - Hello Parents. Lots of planning this week for our upcoming Bingo Night on Friday 10th March and we have even purchased an electronic bingo machine for the night! It will be a great event with multiple rounds and prizes to be won. We would love to see parents and friends come along and have some fun so please save the date. We hope you and your children have a lovely restful half term. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.

MENU W/C 20th FEBRUARY		
Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Sausage rolls served with potato puffs and baked beans	Flapjack or fruit
Tues	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Chicken korma served with rice and naan bread	Banana mousse or fruit
Thurs	Meatballs in tomato sauce served with pasta, garlic bread and salad	Rice crispy tray bake or fruit
Fri	Young's fish fingers served with chips, peas and salad	Strawberry ice cream or fruit

