



# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2023

Weekly Newsletter

10th November 2023

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER

Remembrance Sunday

### MONDAY 13th NOVEMBER

Odd Sock Day - Antibullying Week

Parent's Evening

3.40pm - 6pm

### TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Parent's Evening

5pm - 8pm

### FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER

Form 5 Cake Sale

Children in Need

### TUESDAY 21st NOVEMBER

Forms 5 and 6 Dodgeball Tournament

Wentworth Primary School

### THURSDAY 23rd NOVEMBER

Flu Immunisations

### THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER

Form I School Trip to

Colchester Zoo

Maldon Christmas Fayre



## STARS OF THE WEEK



KS1 Arun White

KS2 Mila Lopez



KS1 Logan Yuill

KS2 Henry Mee



KS1 Paige Moxon

KS2 Enzo Gilabert

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes  
Monaé-Bléu Miller  
a very Happy Birthday

Dear Parents,

Welcome back. I hope that you all had a lovely half term. It was wonderful to welcome all of the children back on Monday. They all look so smart in their winter uniforms – the children most certainly needed the winter uniform this week! This is always an exciting half term with the lead up to Christmas and we have already started thinking about our Christmas Service and nativities. Time always flies in school and we have so many exciting events planned for the children over the next few weeks including Christmas parties, pantomimes, school trips, pop up shops and fayres to name but a few.

I would like to welcome Dawson in Nursery I who started with us this week. I know that he will be made very welcome into the Maldon Court family.

Next week is National Anti-Bullying week and our School Council have so many wonderful events planned for the children including National Odd Sock Day on Monday, buddy time with different classes and a whole school 'Kindness Chain'. I am so proud of the whole School Council committee who have really worked hard and put so much thought and effort into the brilliant activities planned. I look forward to seeing everyone in their odd socks on Monday.

On Thursday, Forms 4 and 6 had the pleasure of Eden Oasis coming in for an in school experience trip. This is always such a popular trip where the children get to experience a variety of different animals and learn all about them. The children love it! Finally, on Sunday, I will be accompanying Sofia and Daniel, our Head Boy and Head Girl, to the Remembrance Service in Maldon where they will have the honour of laying a wreath and representing Maldon Court. In addition to this, I was delighted that we were contacted by the Mayor and asked to be an integral part of the whole service by reading the Kohima Epitaph alongside the Head Boy and Head Girl of the Plume Academy. What a wonderful honour and privilege and I am delighted that we are part of such an important service.

**HEADTEACHER'S AWARD** - Congratulations to Charlie Allen who received the award this week for excellent progress in Phonics. Well done, Charlie.

**NURSERY** - This week, Nursery have been discussing Fireworks and Colours. We turned the role play zone into a Food Court, where the children were able to make and serve each other hot dogs, burgers and soup whilst they looked at the fireworks pictures we displayed on the wall. We have also been discussing colours, our favourite colours and what colours we can make if we mix two together. Next week, this topic continues, we will be focusing on the festival Diwali. For optional homework please complete the mehndi pencil control sheet we have sent home. *Mrs Kim Callaghan*



**PRE-RECEPTION** - Pre-Reception have been busy this week completing lots of fun filled firework activities, we have made beautiful firework paintings using cut up kitchen roll tubes which make a super firework pattern when printed on the paper. The children have also used a variety of 2D shapes to create their own shape rocket, piecing the shapes together to create their own interpretation of a rocket. *Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell*



**RECEPTION** - This week, Reception have been very busy and have been learning about Bonfire Night and Diwali. We also learnt about Remembrance Day. To commemorate this, we painted beautiful pictures of poppies to display in our classroom. Well done Reception! *Miss Wayman*

**FORMS 4 AND 6** - Forms 4 and 6 had a fantastic day with Eden Oasis covering the topics of habitats, classification and adaptations. The children handled a number of exotic animals whilst learning all about them. They eagerly asked and answered questions, impressing the organisers with their knowledge and enthusiasm. It is a privilege to be able to get so close to such amazing animals, learning that reptiles have dry scaly skin is one thing, being able to feel and experience that, is something else. *Mrs Baron and Mrs Summers*



**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS** - Throughout the half term, we have continued to work hard behind the scenes to improve our educational provision for the children. We are thrilled with the Nursery which has all been completely repainted and has had the carpet professionally cleaned. We have also worked very hard in Form 2 with repainting, redecorating and building lots of brand new furniture for the children. It looks like a brand new classroom in there now and is so fresh and inviting for the children. The children were so excited to see the classroom and it makes it all worthwhile when you see their smiling faces. Finally, we have a wonderful new look 'Rainbow Room' in Pre-Reception with brand new work surfaces, cupboards and tiling. It looks fantastic. A heartfelt thank you to Mr and Mrs Pearse (parents of Cameron in Nursery) of Yew Interior Designs who so very kindly gave up a week of the half term to install this for our children. We really appreciate your kindness. Thank you so much.

Mrs Mason



**PE Timetable - W/C 13th NOVEMBER**

Day	Form	Lesson
<b>Wednesday</b>	Forms 3, 4, 5 and 6	Off site PE
	Sports Club for Forms 3 and 4 collection at 4.15pm	On site
<b>Thursday</b>	Pre-Reception, Forms 1 and 2	On site PE
<b>Friday</b>	Reception	On site PE
	Forms 5 and 6	Swimming

**MENU W/C 13th NOVEMBER**



Day	Main	Dessert
<b>Mon</b>	Crispy chicken wraps served with lattice potatoes and salad	Shortbread or fruit
<b>Tues</b>	Roast pork served with roast potatoes, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
<b>Weds</b>	Chilli con carne served with rice and warm tortilla chips	Apple crumble and custard
<b>Thurs</b>	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread	Chocolate mousse or fruit
<b>Fri</b>	Harry Ramsden fish fillet served with chips, peas and salad	Vanilla ice cream or fruit

**Wishing you all a lovely weekend**  
**Mrs E Mason**  
**Headteacher**

**FOMCS** - Hello Parents. We hope you and your families had a lovely half term break. This is our busiest term for FOMCS activities with all things Christmas planned including pantomime trip for KS2 and parties for EYFS/KS1, pop up shopping and our annual Christmas Fayre which is to be held on Saturday 2nd December. Any volunteers of help for the Fayre or if you would like a stall to support your local business please let us know. Have a great weekend. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.

