



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2020

Weekly Newsletter

11th December 2020

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 4th JANUARY

Children Return to school
No Clubs this week

MONDAY 11th JANUARY

Clubs Commence

FRIDAY 29th JANUARY

January Birthday Party

MONDAY 11th FEBRUARY

Life Support Roadshow

MONDAY 15th - FRIDAY 19th FEBRUARY

Half Term

TUESDAY 2nd MARCH

Class Photographs

THURSDAY 4th MARCH

World Book Day

FRIDAY 5th MARCH

Academic reports sent to parents

WEDNESDAY 10th - FRIDAY 12th MARCH

Fellowship Afloat
Form 5



Dear Parents,

We have had a very special last week of term here at Maldon Court. We have all been determined to make the lead up to Christmas as special and magical as we possibly could for the children. I really do believe that we have achieved this. This week, every single child in the school has been involved in their bubble Christmas parties. The children had a fantastic time as they celebrated together. There was lots of Christmas music, dancing and some brilliant games. The laughter and excitement from the children was so good to hear. Again, thank you to FOMCS for buying and wrapping the presents for the children and providing the staff with money to buy prizes/treats for the parties. A huge thank you to the staff for being such good sports organising and hosting the parties! On Wednesday, our Pre-Reception and Reception class performed their wonderful nativity for their parents. We knew that parents would be disappointed that they couldn't come into school to see the children but the performance was recorded and sent to parents so that they didn't miss out on this special event. The children sang their hearts out and I hope that you all enjoyed watching this at home.

Today, we have had our traditional Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch. The children enjoyed the most delicious roast turkey, pigs in blankets, roast potatoes and all the festive trimmings. This was followed by Yule log. Although we couldn't have the lunch in the hall, the dining room with festively decorated and music was playing. The staff joined in the festivities and sat with their class to enjoy the lunch too.

Please do remember to watch the Maldon Court Christmas Service this weekend. The link will be sent out to you today. It is not to be missed.

I would like to say a very special thank you to all of the staff who always work incredibly hard throughout the year. However, this term in particular, they really have gone above and beyond to provide a safe, happy, fun and exciting place for the children to come to school every day. Our whole staff team - the leadership team, the teachers and teaching assistants, the nursery staff, the office staff, the kitchen staff and midday assistants, the WAC team, our site manager and our minibus driver have worked together closely and highly effectively. I wish them and you a very happy, restful and much deserved Christmas holiday.

★ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ★

Maldon Court wishes -
Charlie Allen, Jacob Simpson, Rosalind
Stevenson, Dante Walker-Nargi,
Beatrice Cowell, Isabel Dunkin, Martha
Smith, Harry Jones, Florence Mee, Ava
Blake and Teddy Youngman
a very Happy Birthday

HEADTEACHERS AWARD - Congratulations to Emely Dunkin in Form 5 for her outstanding attitude to school life and for being an exceptional role model and Frankie Bannister in Pre-Reception for being a kind and caring member of the class. Well done to Rose Galpin in Pre-Reception who won the Good Manners Award.

NURSERY - The Nursery children have continued to enjoy our Christmas topic this week. We all had so much fun at the party on Tuesday. The children danced and enjoyed a range of party games to get them in the Christmas mood. Elvis has been hiding in a range of places this week, the children have loved coming in each morning to search for him. Our Christmas dinner today was as delicious as ever. The children thoroughly enjoyed eating it together whilst listening to Christmas songs in the background. When we return in January, our topic is Winter and Colours. For optional homework, please encourage your child to create a colourful painting to hang on our Home Link wall. Merry Christmas!
Mrs Kim Callaghan



FORM 1 - Form 1 were excited to receive a special delivery to school this which had come all the way from the North Pole. The children were very excited to find reply letters from Santa inside. The children were very pleased to hear that they are all on the good list this year!
Miss Sackett



CHRISTMAS PARTY PHOTOGRAPHS



PRE-RECEPTION - Wow, what a week Pre-Reception have had! We started our week with our Christmas party, which was so much fun. After arriving in our festive jumpers, we enjoyed plenty of party games including musical statues and musical bumps! We also had some party snacks to enjoy including popcorn, pom bears and of course some sweeties. On Wednesday, all the children were very excited to perform their Christmas nativity play – We Three Kings which they have all been working so hard on. Well done to all of Pre-Reception, you were amazing!
Miss Washbourne and Miss Denyer

FORM 5 AND 6 MATHS DAY - Form 5 and Form 6 had a fabulous time Thursday morning completing some Christmas maths in the Hall. They first looked at the Twelve Days of Christmas and were quite excited to discover just how many presents are delivered over the course of the song. This was then one of the answers to a maths relay, where pupils worked as teams across classes to solve fun worded problems – do you know how many body parts you touch in head shoulders knees and toes? Form 5 and 6 do!



RECEPTION AND FORM 6 BUDDY TIME - Form 6 and Reception have been meeting up virtually once a week via Zoom for Form 6 to read a story and recently for Reception to practice their nativity songs. They have loved being able to see each other but really missed the one on one interactions of in person contact. So, as a special Christmas treat, Form 6 set the hall to socially distance Reception from themselves and choose a story to read to their buddy. The older pupils were concerned their buddies might be worried about sitting alone in a hoop so they each made an elf for their buddies to keep them company. Both Reception and form 6 adored the 10 minute slot to talk to their buddies, all be it at a distance.



CHESS CLUB - Last week the children in Forms 5 and 6 competed against each other in our end of term Chess Tournament. The children take this very seriously with one game taking 45 minutes to play. The results are as follows: 1st Place - Arnold Head, Form 5. 2nd Place - Aden Karimi, Form 6 and 3rd Place - Harry Mason, Form 5. I would like to add that the most improved player goes to Florence Fenton, keep practising Flossie, I was so impressed with you. Well done to all the children, it has been a pleasure to run the club this term.
Mrs Abrehart

PE Timetable - W/C 4th January	
Wednesday	Thursday
On Site PE Lesson - Morning	
Pre-Reception	Reception
Form 1	Form 5
Form 2	Form 6
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm	
Form 3	Form 4
There is no Sports club this week	

Have a lovely Christmas
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - What a brilliant end to the term this week, the school have worked tirelessly for FOMCS this year assisting our fundraising and we are very grateful to them, and to you, for all of your support, thank you. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas. Tori and Charlotte.

MENU W/C 4th January		
Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Pasta Bolognese served with sweet corn and salad	Flapjack or fruit
Tues	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrots	Strawberry mousse or fruit
Weds	Sweet and sour chicken served with rice, prawn crackers and salad	Chocolate chip cookies or fruit
Thurs	Sausages, chips and baked beans	Yoghurt or fruit
Fri	Young's fish fingers served with herbed potatoes, peas and salad	Arctic roll or fruit

