



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2020

Weekly Newsletter

11th September 2020

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 14th September

All clubs commence

TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER

Reception and Form 1 - Parents
Phonics meeting via Zoom

FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

Jeans for Genes Day

MONDAY 5th - FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER

Harvest Donations into School
More information to follow

TUESDAY 6th OCTOBER

School in Action Day

MONDAY 12th OCTOBER

Conker Competition

FRIDAY 16th OCTOBER

End of Half Term

MONDAY 19th - FRIDAY 30th OCTOBER

Half Term

MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

Children Return to School
Clubs Resume



Dear Parents,

I am absolutely delighted to welcome everyone back to school. After what has been a turbulent year, it is wonderful for the children to return to school happy, smiling and embracing being back with their friends in their new classes. The children at Maldon Court continue to be a credit to themselves, their families and the school. They take everything in their stride and it is a pleasure to see how well they have adapted to their modified routines.

I would like to welcome the children that have started at Maldon Court this term. Welcome to Leo Dickinson and Sean Ludden in Nursery 1, Tate Jacob, Flora Smith, Harry Vaughan and Ivy Vaughan in Nursery 2, Frankie Bannister, Jessica Jones and Sebastian Venus-Bishop in Pre-Reception, Blake Jacob and Harper Kirby in Reception, Hazel-Mae Ogbebor in Form 1, Jessica Strong in Form 3 and Eli Ogbebor in Form 4. They have already settled in seamlessly and thank you to the whole school community for welcoming them to our school.

I would also like to welcome Mrs Bradford, our new Form 6 teacher and Kerry O'Reilly, our new Nursery Practitioner to Maldon Court. They have settled in exceptionally well and are delighted to have joined our team.

It came as a wonderful surprise yesterday to receive an email from the Community Team at East of England Co-op to inform us that you, the parents, have nominated the Maldon Court teachers and staff for an award for their hard work and dedication in bringing the children back into school safely. With over 1700 nominations for schools across Suffolk, Norfolk, Essex and Cambridge, we are thrilled that we have been selected as winners as one of only 50 schools to have won this award. As winners, the staff will receive a pack of goodies including tea and biscuits and these will be delivered in the next two weeks. This has come as a delightful surprise to all of the staff and what makes it even more special is that we were nominated by the parents. Thank you to each and every one of you from all of the staff.

Finally, please see overleaf for the children that have been awarded school responsibilities for the coming term/year. Pictured above are Head Girl and Boy Sophia and Miguel and our Deputy Head Girl and Boy Lottie and William.

★ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ★

Maldon Court wishes -

Kate van Stolk,
Meghan Knight,
Archi Southgate,
Aidan Lacey,
Gracie May Thorogood,
Henry Hugo and Sean Ludden a very
Happy Birthday

Form Captains					
Reception	Form 1	Form 2	Form 3	Form 4	Form 5
Ernest Mays	Millicent Smith	Eliza Cowell	Sofia Fisher	Vincent Lower	Anayah Khan-Mulk
Eco School					
Form 1	Form 2	Form 3	Form 4	Form 5	Form 6
Millicent Smith	Leon Page	Daniel Baker	India Fisher	Harry Mason	Natasha Adkins and Kate van Stolk
Healthy Schools					
Form 1	Form 2	Form 3	Form 4	Form 5	Form 6
George Fisher	Janeska Woodlock-Taylor	James Hull	Anna Barnett	Anayah Khan-Mulk	William Bruce and Eli Wigginton

House Captains			Sports Captains
Australia	Canada	New Zealand	Ruby Procter and Rui Sinfield
Teddy Youngman	Aden Karimi	Matilda Kingston	
School Learning Council			
Form 1	Form 2	Form 3	
Arthur Heath and Lottie Lamont	Henry Mee and Freya Gower	Pip Cowell and Sofia Fisher	
Form 4	Form 5	Form 6	
Eli Ogbebor and Scarlett Abrehart	Jake Rainger and Alice Wilson	Mathilda Cowell & Sebastian Warren	
Peer Mentors	Matilda Kingston and Harry Dibben		

NURSERY - Nursery have had a lovely first full week back. We have been getting to know our new friends by enjoying the topic 'All About Me'. The children have been enjoying the Role Play Zone, playing with the cars and also having great fun in our new outside den! This topic continues next week, optional homework is to complete the leaf we sent home for our achievement tree and to bring in a photo of your family to share with your friends. Thank you to everyone who has already completed this. *Mrs Kim Callaghan*



FORM 6 - Form 6 have had a fabulous start to the term. We managed to have our first "virtual" buddy time reading a story to the Reception pupils over zoom. Kate and Ruby read brilliantly putting a lot of expression into the story. It is going to become a weekly "meet up" for the classes. In the weeks to come Reception will be producing their own pictures as illustrations for a story Form 6 will go on to create. All the children loved seeing their buddies again.

In History this week we have begun our local history project looking at sources and deciding if they are primary or secondary. The pupils really engaged with the "museum" in the hall, being particularly taken with the bear bones and the replica Pythagoras cup. They are very excited about our project and were amazed to see how the old Maldon train route now forms part of the A414. *Mrs Bradford and Mrs Summers*











PE - It has been fantastic to have the children back for PE lessons both on and off the school site. Children in KS2 have had their extended PE lessons on the all weather pitch. Picking up from where we left off in March it has been impressive to see that the children have retained so much of their sporting skill and knowledge. Fitness levels have also been high and fitness tests have been completed with determination and enthusiasm. Form 3 have had their first lesson in field hockey and it was a sign of how quickly they learn that they all graduated from plastic sticks and balls to wooden sticks and real hockey balls before the end of the lesson. If they keep up this work they will be awarded their hockey stick licences, only awarded to children who demonstrate they can play the game safely and sensibly. Children in EYFS and KS1 have also resumed their PE lessons on site and it has been fantastic to see them all, working hard and making good progress.

Mr Coyle



PE Timetable - W/C 14th September

Wednesday

Thursday

On Site PE Lesson - Morning

Pre-Reception

Reception

Form 1

Form 3

Form 2

Form 4

All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm

Form 5

Form 6

KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 5 and 6 - Wednesday 16th 3.30 - 4.30pm

Have a lovely weekend

**Mrs E Mason
Headteacher**

FOMCS - We hope everyone has settled back into school and enjoying a slice of normality again. We are currently discussing ways we can safely hold our AGM within government guidelines, especially those coming into force from Monday and will send more information when we have it. In the meantime it would be great if classes would please elect their new class reps, thank you. We do hope to see everyone soon.

Mrs Lopez and Mrs Stevenson

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Lasagne served with sweet corn and salad	Flapjacks or Fruit
Tues	Roast Gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Fresh fruit salad or yoghurt
Weds	Chicken and vegetable stir fry served with noodles and salad	Victoria sponge or fruit
Thurs	Sausage rolls, potato wedges, baked beans and salad	Chocolate rice crispy cakes or fruit
Fri	Birds Eye fish fingers served with duchess potatoes, peas and salad	Orange jelly or fruit

