



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2019

Weekly Newsletter

11th October 2019

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 14th OCTOBER
Conker Competition

WEDNESDAY 16th OCTOBER
Harvest Festival

FRIDAY 18th OCTOBER
Half Term

MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER
Children return to school
Clubs resume

TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER
School Trip
Chatham Docks
Forms 2,5 and 6

MONDAY 11th NOVEMBER
Individual and sibling photographs

TUESDAY 12th NOVEMBER
Parents' Evening - 3.40- 6pm

WEDNESDAY 13th NOVEMBER
Anti-Bullying - Odd Sock day

THURSDAY 14th NOVEMBER
Parents' Evening 6 - 8pm

FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER
Form 5 Cake Sale
Children in Need

WEDNESDAY 27th NOVEMBER
Flu Immunisations

THURSDAY 28th NOVEMBER
FOMCS Christmas Fayre
Maldon Vintage Fayre



Dear Parents,

I look forward to welcoming you all to our Harvest Festival on Wednesday at All Saints' Church. The children have been working hard on their songs and readings in preparation for this special service and they are very much looking forward to sharing this with you. Thank you for your harvest donations so far, donations may be brought in on Monday and Tuesday next week too.

I am delighted with the response to our First Aid course for children. We have had an incredible 62 parents who have said that they would like their children to participate. This course will now go ahead and dates will be sent out to you in due course. If you would like your child to have a place, please fill out the ParentMail form.

We have had limited interest to our proposal to introduce private clarinet and flute lessons. These lessons would be in addition to the curriculum music lessons each child already receives from the outstanding Mrs Stone. As we mentioned last week Mrs Stone will be introducing recorder tuition to the children's curriculum music lessons after half term. If you would like your child to have additional music tuition on either the clarinet or flute, please let us know so that we can see whether it is viable for this initiative to proceed.

Last week, I had a meeting with Heads of School and they helped me choose some new awards stickers for our Celebration Assembly. There will now be awards for Star of the Week for each house, Cool to be Kind and Headteacher's award.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Leon Page who has been working very hard in Form 1 over the past few weeks. Well done Leon.

NURSERY - The children have really enjoyed the topic Autumn and Harvest. We enjoyed an autumn walk to Leeches Gardens and gathered a range of seasonal foliage to use in our activities over the fortnight. The children loved being out and about and collecting their items. Next week our topic is People who help us, for optional homework please make a picture or painting of someone who helps us in the community.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



FORM 2 - Form 2 have been planning an investigation this week to see which foods birds prefer. We had some very sensible discussions about how the investigation could be carried out and how we could make it a 'fair test'. We opted to make three different types of fat-balls which will be hung in the playground. We will be making observations over time as part of our objective to work scientifically.

Mrs Baron



FORM 3 - For homework Form 3 were asked to bring in a sample of soil from their back garden. This week in our science lesson we conducted different investigations on different soils in Essex. We tested the permeability of soil from Maldon, Witham, Rayleigh, Coggeshall, Southminster and Chelmsford. We found out that each soil gave different results. Form 3 all conducted a fair test. Well done this week Form 3.

Miss Vaughan



FORM 6 - Form 6 have been busy conducting science experiments. We have been looking at micro organisms and learnt that yeast is a living thing. 1 gram of yeast contains 25 billion cells. We wanted to see if temperature can affect the rate of carbon dioxide produced when mixing water, yeast and sugar together. We discovered that boiling water kills yeast and that the warm water caused the best reaction. Next, we are looking at how fruit decomposes and whether or not this process can be sped up by adding yeast to the fruit?

Mrs Fleming



PE Timetable - W/C 14th October

Wednesday Thursday

On Site PE Lesson - Morning

Harvest Festival

F2

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F6

All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm

F3

F4

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS

A big well done to F6 for raising an amazing £68 from their cake sale on Friday.

Please keep a look out for the sign up sheets that will be heading out soon for our festive events. The children get such a lot out of these and volunteers are vital.

Our next meeting is Friday 8th Nov at 2.30pm at The Blue Boar.

Mrs Lopez

CAKE SALE - Form 5 - Friday 15th November

Next Week's Menu

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Sweet and sour chicken served with rice, prawn crackers and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Fresh fruit salad or yoghurt
Weds	Meatballs in tomato sauce served with pasta, sweetcorn and salad. (Form 3—Jacket potato with a choice of fillings)	Apple crumble and custard or fruit
Thurs	Sausage rolls served with potato croquettes, peas and salad. (Form 3—Jacket potato with a choice of fillings)	Orange jelly or fruit
Fri	Brunch (sausage, bacon, hash browns and beans)	Rice crispy cakes or fruit

