



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2022

Weekly Newsletter

14th October 2022

DATES FOR THE DIARY

**MONDAY 17th OCTOBER -
FRIDAY 28th OCTOBER**

Half Term

MONDAY 31st OCTOBER

Children Return to School
Clubs Resume

TUESDAY 8th NOVEMBER

Individual and Sibling Photographs

TUESDAY 8th NOVEMBER

Parent's Evening
3.40 - 6.00pm

THURSDAY 10th NOVEMBER

Parent's Evening
5.00 - 8.00pm

MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Anti Bullying Week
Odd Sock Day

TUESDAY 15th NOVEMBER

Forms 5 and 6
Dodgeball Tournament

WEDNESDAY 16th NOVEMBER

Form 1
Class Assembly

FRIDAY 18th NOVEMBER

Children in Need
Form 5 - Cake sale

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes
Zeian Awan-Patel,
Alice-Rose Stephens, Rosie Kirby,
Alice Heath, Sienna Crozier,
Jessica Jones, George Barnett
and Mrs Guest
a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

What a busy week it has been for us all. On Monday, the children participated in our traditional conker competition. It was ably led by our Form 6 children and the children all had great fun. The final of the competition was held today and congratulations to Jimmy Crowley, Blake Jacob and Austin Procter who were the overall winners. It was a thoroughly enjoyable event. On Tuesday, we all celebrated together at our annual Harvest Festival Service. What a wonderful morning it was. The children excelled themselves with their beautiful singing and readings. It was a wonderful atmosphere in the church and I hope it cheered everyone up on a chilly Autumn morning. Thank you to all who came along to support this really special event in our school diary. Some gifts have already been distributed and we are waiting to allocate the rest to the local food banks.

As you are all aware, it has been a really important week for us all here at Maldon Court. We have been inspected by ISI for the whole school and Ofsted for the Nursery. All of the Maldon Court community have really pulled together to help and support each other and for this I cannot thank everyone enough. I was overwhelmed with the incredible response to the parents, staff and pupils surveys. They were all so supportive of our school – a huge thank you to everyone. On that note, I would like to thank our staff for working so hard and of course in particular this week. They are the best team that I could wish for. Thank you to each and every one of you. The official report is published in 5 weeks time.

I would like to welcome Miss Buckley who has joined our Midday team last week. I would also like to wish Miss Broadbridge all the very best as she goes on to maternity leave today. She will be missed so much by the staff, children and the parents. We can't wait for her to return! Good luck, Miss Broadbridge
HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Harvey Rota who won the award for working hard with all of his work and for his great attitude to learning. Congratulations also to Freddy Bruce for winning it for his outstanding topic work.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a lovely half term break and I look forward to seeing you and the children back on 31st October. Please note, it is full winter uniform from now until the start of the summer term.

NURSERY - Nursery really enjoyed the second part of our Autumn and Harvest Festival topic. We started the week making sure our Harvest Box was decorated and full of goods to donate, thank you so much to everyone that donated. We then enjoyed making pumpkin soup! We took turns to carve out the pumpkin and then followed the recipe to make a delicious soup to taste. We then used the carved pumpkins as tunnels and set the train track up. It was great fun making the trains go through the pumpkin tunnels! After half term, our first topic is Colours and Fireworks. For optional homework, please create a bright firework picture and /or take a photo of you with family and friends enjoying a firework display.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - To finish off our Autumn topic, Pre-Reception have enjoyed completing some vegetable printing, experimenting with the different vegetables to see the marks and patterns they leave on the paper. We printed the vegetables in order to create a repeating pattern, we spoke about the patterns we had made and how we can make the patterns repeat. Following from this, the children enjoyed eating some of these vegetables at snack time.

Mrs Kennedy, Miss Hansell and Mrs Mays



RECEPTION - Reception have been exploring patterns this week. We explored simple AB patterns at the start of the week and created our own patterns using actions, cubes and vegetable stamps. We challenged ourselves throughout the week to create repeating patterns using 3 or more objects. Well done Reception!

Miss Wayman













FORM 5 - On Friday 7th October Form 5 had an amazing trip to the Braintree Museum for a World War II experience. The children were able to attend 'school' in role as an evacuated child. They found their new teacher, Mrs Gladstone, extremely strict! After that, they took on the role of historical detectives, handling objects from the 1940's and trying on military uniforms. The whole day was rounded off with some fun wartime pastimes. The children listened to Vera Lynn, tried their hand at weaving and played board games - it got quite competitive! A fun day was had by all and the children were a font of historical knowledge and were excellent ambassadors for the school. Well done Form 5.

Mrs Warman



SCIENCE CLUB CREST AWARD - Despite our very best efforts, we were unable to charm any worms this week. We prepared the ground with water, we hopped, we clapped, we stamped, Freya sang to them, we sent vibrations into the soil, we even played them the xylophone, but we just could not tempt them to appear. That's just how investigations go sometimes, if we had more time, we would have tried some different areas. Hopefully, the children will try at home, those that do not have Astro turf.

Mrs Baron





TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT - On Friday last week, children from Forms 3 and 4 took part in their very first tag rugby tournament at Drapers Farm, Heybridge. The team started off with extremely strong defensive and attacking lines, demonstrating outstanding passing and tagging skills. Maldon Court were fantastic from the beginning of every game and were able to score many tries within such a short time period. Maldon Court reached the finals after winning all of their games bar one, where it was a tie. Well done Forms 3 and 4 for outstanding play and an excellent sporting attitude at their first event.

Miss Broadbridge

KS2 PE - In our KS2 PE lessons, we have recently introduced the award, 'Player of the Week' in our all-weather pitch PE lessons. This award is awarded to children each week who demonstrate fantastic effort and a great sporting attitude. This week, Player of the Week has been awarded to Pip Cowell (Form 5) and Isabella Russell (Form 3) for overall outstanding effort and excellent play. Well done to both players!

Mr Coyle



PE Timetable - W/C 31st October

Onsite PE lesson

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pre-Reception Form 1 Form 2		Reception Form 4 Forms 5 and 6
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm		Swimming
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Forms 5 and 6	Forms 3 and 4	Forms 1, 2 and 3
Sports Club - Forms 3 and 4 on Thursday 3rd November at the all weather pitch collection at 4.15pm		

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

FOMCS - Dear Parents. Thank you so much for your support and all the fun had at our FOMCS quiz night last Friday! This event raised £300 for our school and a great night was had by all with Mrs Masons team the winners! Thank you too for all your Christmas orders that we have processed this week to meet the production deadline. We hope you have a fabulous half term break with your children. *Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey*

MENU W/C 31st October

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Sausage Rolls served with potato puffs and baked beans	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Cheese and tomato pasta bake served with sweetcorn and salad	Toffee mousse or fruit
Thurs	Chinese chicken served with vegetable rice and prawn crackers	Iced vanilla sponge or fruit
Fri	Harry Ramsden fish served with chips, peas and salad	Rice crispy cakes or fruit

