



# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2021

Weekly Newsletter

15th October 2021

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

**MONDAY 18th - FRIDAY 29th  
OCTOBER**  
Half Term

**MONDAY 1st NOVEMBER**  
Children return to school

**TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER**  
Individual and Sibling Photographs

**TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER**  
Parent's Evening  
3.40 - 6.00pm

**WEDNESDAY 10th NOVEMBER**  
Odd Sock Day  
Anti Bullying

**THURSDAY 11th NOVEMBER**  
Parent's Evening  
5.00 - 8.00pm

**SUNDAY 14th NOVEMBER**  
Remembrance Service

**WEDNESDAY 17th NOVEMBER**  
Combined Military Services Trip  
Form 5

**FRIDAY 19th NOVEMBER**  
Children in Need  
Form 5 Cake Sale

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ★

Maldon Court wishes  
Rosie Kirby, Alice Heath, Sienna  
Crozier, George Barnett and  
Mrs Guest a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to say thank you to everyone who came to support our Harvest Festival Service yesterday at All Saints' Church. I am sure that you will all agree the children surpassed themselves with their exceptional singing and readings. It was a special, poignant service which really does make us all appreciate how lucky we are and to think of others less fortunate than ourselves. It was wonderful to have the whole school community back together again and it was a happy and joyful morning. It was also lovely to see the older children being finally able to accompany their buddies to the church. We know just how special this is within our Maldon Court community and we pride ourselves on the kind, caring and nurturing environment we have within our school. This emulates our ethos perfectly. Thank you also for all of your kind words and emails about the service – it really does mean so much to everyone. Today, Form 6 were excellent ambassadors for the school as they all helped load the harvest gifts onto the minibus to take to St Peter's Hospital and the Food Bank. They also distributed gift bags to the local elderly residents in Silver Street and Beeleigh Road. We are really proud to support our local community and thank you again for your generosity.

**HEADTEACHER'S AWARD** - Congratulations to Rhys Hull and Florence Fenton in Form 6 who won Headteacher Awards this week for outstanding prefect duties and excellent formal report writing.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your unwavering support of Maldon Court. I am so proud of the wonderful community that we have here at school; it really is a special place to be associated with. I hope that you all have a lovely half term break and I look forward to seeing you in November.

**NURSERY** - Nursery have really enjoyed the topic Our Local Community. On Tuesday, we were very excited to take a walk into the town. On the way, we pointed out lots of our local shops and enjoyed seeing some of the Autumn window displays. Our first stop was Poundstretcher, where we purchased some garden tools and some pots as we are setting up a growing area in the outside zone at Nursery. We called into The Emporium where we purchased some winter pansies to plant and tend to. After half term, our first topic is Fireworks, for optional homework please send in a photo of you enjoying a firework display with friends of family and/or create your own colourful firework picture or painting to display on our Home Link Board.

*Mrs Kim Callaghan*



**PRE-RECEPTION** - Our topic this week has been 'Harvest'.

We have been printing with a variety of fruit and vegetables, we looked at the different shapes and patterns they make when printed on the paper. We also spoke about why fruit and vegetables are good for us.

Pre-Reception have also had lots of fun developing their fine motor skills and exploring their senses in a fruit and vegetable seed tuff tray, where they used the spoons to dig out the different seeds from the food. We looked at how the seeds are different in size, shape and colour and also the different smells and textures.

*Mrs Kennedy, Miss Hansell and Mrs Dibben*



**FORM I** - Over the past couple of weeks, the children in Form I have been enjoying our English unit 'Dinosaurs'. We have been comparing fiction and non-fiction books and even working hard on our dinosaur pronunciation. I am so glad that we have some dinosaur experts in the class who can teach me the pronunciation also! The children have all been working on a new project, and this is to create their own classroom display. On the display is all the children's work and they have even decided how they wanted it to look. They all decided that the first thing they would want on there are painted pictures of dinosaurs, so this is what we done. The children love having this role and responsibility. As you can see, the results are fantastic and Form I are very proud of their work! Well done Form I!

*Miss Vaughan*



# HARVEST FESTIVAL PHOTOGRAPHS



**FORM 3** - We are very much enjoying our English lessons this half term as we continue to look at texts by Roald Dahl. This week we have been looking at playscripts based on *The Twits*. We loved reading this text as a class and we have had lots of fun acting out a worm spaghetti scene! We have been learning about the different features of a playscript, and how the stage directions help us to bring the characters alive. We had fun performing the script to each other and we had some very funny Mr. and Mrs. Twit characters. We are looking forward to coming up with our own tricks next week and writing these into our own playscripts to perform.

*Miss Oxford*





**CONKER COMPETITION** - On Monday all classes from Reception upwards competed in the Conker Competition. Form 6 judged the classes and decided who would be in the finals in the school assembly the following day. The finalists in KS1 was Olivia Dunkin and Emily Tsai, the winner was Emily Tsai. For KS2, the finalists were David van Stolk and Harry Mason, the winner was David van Stolk. In Reception class Frankie Bannister was the winner. Well done to everyone who took part in this competition and especially the winners.

*Florence Curtis, Alice Wilson, Florence Mee, Emely Dunkin and Darcy Ephgrave.*



**NATIONAL SCHOOLS EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION** - The Beechwood Equestrian Centre hosted the NSEA Grass Roots show jumping competition with a number of schools in the area participating. Eliza Cowell took part in the clear round and 40cm class she achieved a clear round and came 3rd for the school as an individual in the 40cm class. Well Done Eliza! If there are any other children that would like to take part, please contact Mrs Cowell or Mrs Venus-Bishop.

**PE Timetable - W/C 1st November**

Wednesday		Thursday	
On Site PE Lesson - Morning			
Pre-Reception			Form 4
Form 1			
Form 2			
<b>All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm</b>			
Forms 3 and 4		Forms 5 and 6	
KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 3 and 4 - Wednesday 3rd November 3.30 - 4.30pm			

**Have a lovely half term  
Mrs E Mason - Headteacher**

**FOMCS** - Well done to all the children with their amazing beautiful singing at Harvest Festival this week. The children have worked really hard this term learning their songs and also creating fabulous masterpiece designs for their Christmas card/gifts. Thank you for your support with this and working to the tight deadline to return your orders. We wish your families a lovely half term of fun and rest.  
*Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey*

**MENU W/C 1st November**

Day	Main	Dessert
<b>Mon</b>	Chilli con carne served with rice, warm tortilla chips and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
<b>Tues</b>	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
<b>Weds</b>	Carbonara pasta bake served with sweet corn and salad	Chocolate chip cookies or fruit
<b>Thurs</b>	Sausages served with pomme noisettes and baked beans	Orange jelly or fruit
<b>Fri</b>	Harry Ramsden fish fillet served with chips, peas and salad	Arctic roll or fruit

