



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term

Weekly Newsletter

15th September 2023

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

Jeans for Genes

SATURDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

11+ Examination

THURSDAY 28th SEPTEMBER

FOMCS AGM meeting
Venue to be confirmed

FRIDAY 29th SEPTEMBER

Form 6 Cake Sale

MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER

Conker Competition
Form 2 trip to the Library

TUESDAY 3rd OCTOBER

Harvest Festival Rehearsal

TUESDAY 10th OCTOBER

Harvest Festival
9.15am All Saints Church

FRIDAY 13th OCTOBER

FOMCS Quiz Night

MONDAY 16th OCTOBER

School in Action Day
11+ Results Published

MONDAY 23rd OCTOBER– FRIDAY 3rd NOVEMBER

Half Term

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes
Ariya-Naomi, Holly Want,
Sebastian Apthorp, Emilia Davison,
Paige Moxon,
Logan Yuille, Henry Hugo,
Ethan Bandakpara-Taylor,
Jimmy Crowley, Aidan lacey
and Gracie May Thorogood
a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

The children are now fully settled back into the swing of school life. They have all had a brilliant week and it never ceases to amaze me how quickly they adapt to their new teacher and the new year group expectations and routines. Maisie, our school dog, has also been back in school and the children are loving seeing her around school. It genuinely brings out such a caring and nurturing side to all the children – Maisie is a very lucky dog to have such wonderful children surrounding her.

Over the summer holidays, we have continued to improve the school provision for the children. As well as the normal improvements such as painting, renewing furniture and carpets, we have also spent a considerable amount of time updating our outside area where the fitness trail was. Our fitness trail needed to be replaced and we are delighted with all of the outside learning experiences that we have invested in for the children. These include a water sensory area, a super chalk train, a Wendy House that doubles up as a 'shop', activity tables, fidget boards and the star of the show – a wonderful brand new sand pit with new accessories. The children have thoroughly enjoyed using this area and we are so pleased that it is being put to good use already. We have also laid carpet in the Book Nook to make it even cosier for the children.

Finally, it was lovely to meet with the new Heads of School this week for lunch. They have already been working hard fulfilling their roles. I love these special times with the children; they always come up with fantastic ideas to implement in the school and it is wonderful to see how proud they are of their school. Please remember that it is Jeans for Genes day on Monday when donations will be collected on the gate. Please refer to previous email sent.

Congratulations to Zara Northrop who was awarded a Cool to be Kind award. Welcome to Clemmie Newman and Eli who both started in Nursery this week. I know that they will thoroughly enjoy the start of their Maldon Court school journey with us.

NURSERY - Nursery have had another lovely week. We have been making the most of the sunshine and have enjoyed using the new equipment on the playground. The children really loved the water wall, they worked together to pump the water around. It was great fun! The children have also been creating their own hand print pictures for their first piece of work in their Learning Journey. Next week our new topic is Songs and Rhymes. For optional homework, please tell us your child's favourite song or piece of music and / or create a picture of a musical instrument to hang on our Home Link Board..

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have enjoyed settling and exploring their new classroom, they have enjoyed lots of fun activities. We started our 'Look at Me' topic and the children have been busy drawing portraits, practising our name writing and drawing who lives in our houses. They have also enjoyed lots of playtime inside and outside.

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell



FORM I - On Wednesday, Form I was visited by somebody very special, the Tiger Who Came to Tea! Unfortunately for Miss Vaughan she missed out because the Tiger gobbled her up before he came into Form I. The Tiger felt sorry for eating the teacher, all of the food and drink and wanted to know if Form I could teach him how to share. The Tiger very kindly brought some biscuits with him and the children did an excellent job at teaching him how to share. The Tiger then left and Miss Vaughan reappeared very unhappy that she had missed out on the tea and biscuits. Miss Vaughan then asked everybody to keep an eye out on the tiger and the children all completed some fantastic wanted posters that you may find around the school! The posters include some very useful descriptions, so please keep an eye out!

Miss Vaughan



FORM 2 - Our first unit in Science this year, is 'Living in Habitats'. The children spent time investigating whether something was 'living' or 'not living' and the factors which make something 'living'. Form 2 enjoyed sorting and categorising different things and we also discussed things that might have once been alive. Well done Form 2 – great work! Mrs Caldwell



FORMS 3 & 4 PE - This week, we started back our KS2 PE lessons at the all-weather Astro pitch. We enjoyed revisiting our winter and spring sports; tag rugby and hockey. All children enjoyed playing lots of sport, in the glorious sunshine, on such a fantastic sporting facility. We are looking forward to the year ahead with upcoming sporting fixtures. Miss Broadbridge



PE Timetable - W/C 18th SEPTEMBER

Day	Form	Lesson
Wednesday	Forms 3, 4, 5 and 6	Off site PE
	Sports Club for Forms 5 and 6 collection at 4.15pm	Off site Club
Thursday	Pre-Reception, Forms 1 and 2	On site PE
Friday	Reception	On site PE
	Forms 5 and 6	Swimming

Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

MENU W/C 18th SEPTEMBER



Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Sausage rolls served with potato puffs and baked beans	Vanilla sponge or fruit
Thurs	Three cheese pizza served with potato wedges and salad	Orange jelly or fruit
Fri	Crispy coated fish served with chips, peas and salad	Chocolate chip cookies or fruit

FOMCS - Good afternoon parents. It may seem a long way away but Christmas will soon be upon us and we are busy planning our Christmas events for the children through this term. A ParentMail has been sent out this week for your to read with regards to our updated preloved uniform process along with a poll to arrange our upcoming AGM on 28th September via your form reps - the link for this is here <https://forms.office.com/r/nxRWUXxbUWV>. All are welcome and we appreciate your responses. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.

