



# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2020

Weekly Newsletter

17th January 2020

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

### WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY

Forms 5 and 6 Inter House Sports Tournament

### THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY

FOMCS Committee Meeting  
Blue Boar Meeting Room  
2.30pm

### TUESDAY 28th JANUARY

ESB Exam Forms 4,5 and 6

### THURSDAY 30th JANUARY

Pre Reception Class Trip  
Sealife Centre

### THURSDAY 6th FEBRUARY

Life Support Roadshow  
Forms 5 and 6

### FRIDAY 14th FEBRUARY

Form 3 Cake Sale  
Final Swimming for Forms 1,2 and 3  
Break up for Half Term

### MONDAY 17th -

### FRIDAY 21st FEBRUARY

Half Term

### MONDAY 24th FEBRUARY

Children return to school

### FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY

Swimming starts for  
Forms 4,5 and 6

### FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY

School Trip to the Museum of Power  
Form 1



Dear Parents,

The children have enjoyed a very productive week and have embraced the many clubs that we have offered them with an extremely positive attitude. This week, you may have seen that Maisie was on the gate and outside the school with Mrs Guest. I would like to thank you all for your support whilst Maisie is in training. She behaved extremely well and it was fantastic to see how well she responded to seeing so many new children. Well done, Maisie!

In celebration assembly, I discussed with children about our new achievement tree that is now displayed in the hall. Often when I am on the gate, children excitedly tell me about something that they have achieved outside school such as winning a rugby tournament, passing a music exam, winning a place in a show, riding their bike without stabilisers etc. I thought that it would be a lovely idea for us to share these fantastic achievements with the rest of the school. Therefore, when children achieve something special outside school, they will write their achievement on a leaf with their name and date on it and the leaf will be added to the branches of the tree and displayed in the hall. The children will read their achievement out and stick their leaf on the tree in our assembly. This will also apply to EYFS children who already do something very similar in their classes already. I am really looking forward to the children sharing their achievements and seeing the leaves on the tree grow over the year.

**HEADTEACHERS AWARD** - Congratulations to Harrison Jones in Form 1 who won the award this week for his excellent progress in all subjects. Also, congratulations to all of Form 5 who won the first ever class Headteacher's award for their outstanding Christmas homework. All of the children had a choice of what homework that they wished to complete based on their topic 'Mountains'. The children put in an exceptional amount of effort and the work was completed to a superb standard. Well done, Form 5.

## ★ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ★

On behalf of everyone at Maldon Court we wish:

Lucia Cole, Natasha Adkins and Rui Sinfield a very Happy Birthday.

**NURSERY** - This week, Nursery have continued with the topic, Winter and Colours. As part of this topic we discussed with the children what clothes we need to wear to keep cool or keep warm. Our Persona Doll, Sinetra was happy to volunteer and the children had to decide which clothes were required for her depending upon the weather. We have also enjoyed physical time in the hall and a fun activity with coloured ice. Next week our topic is Up in the Air and Birdwatch week. For optional homework, please complete the checklist that we have sent home. *Mrs Kim Callaghan*



**FORM 4** - Form 4 have started their Design and Technology cooking topic this term, 'Lovely Lunch'. The children will have the opportunity, every Friday afternoon, to learn safety around cooking, observing how food is prepared and learning all the different food groups. Within the topic, the children will be learning how to use knives safely, investigating healthy options for lunchtime and designing their own sandwich and loaded crackers. With thanks to Miss Reeves in the kitchen, these lessons are fully inclusive and all children had great fun taste testing and learning the initial slicing techniques. Well done Form 4. *Miss Broadbridge*



**PRE RECEPTION** - Pre-Reception have enjoyed starting our new topic 'Winter' The children have been busy completing lots of winter activities to create a new classroom display. They have been looking closely at 2D shapes and with these shapes made fantastic penguins. We discussed how many sides each shape has and the different names. Mrs Kennedy & Miss Washbourne



**FARLEIGH HOSPICE** - Laura from Farleigh Hospice joined us in our celebration assembly this week and was presented with a cheque for £462.58, which was raised from our retiring collection at the Christmas Carol Service. She explained to the children a little bit about what Farleigh Hospice do and expressed her gratitude for the overwhelming amount of money that was raised. As you are aware from last week's newsletter, Carole Prout our school cleaner spent her final days at Farleigh Hospice where they made her comfortable during her final days.

There will be a collection tin in the school office for our staff London 10k Winter run that will take place on Sunday 9th February. All sponsorship will be gratefully received and all proceeds will be donated to Farleigh Hospice to honour Carole's wishes.

**UNIFORM** - May I please ask that girls wear the white blouses rather than the boys white shirts to school. Children are permitted to wear black thermal trousers/ 'skins' underneath their PE shorts/skorts if they would like to. Children can also wear their tracksuit bottoms. We still have a wide range of sizes for the Maldon Court black thermal tops which children can wear under their PE t-shirts. Please see the office if you would like to purchase one. Thank you for your co-operation. Mrs Mason

PE Timetable - W/C 20th January	
Wednesday	Thursday
On Site PE Lesson - Morning	
F1	F2
PR	R
F3	F6
Inter House Tournament 1-3pm	All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm
F5 & F6	F6

Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs E Mason  
Headteacher

**FOMCS** - We hope the children are settling back to school nicely. Fundraising plans are beginning to fall in to place for the coming term. Just a reminder that our next meeting is in The Blue Boar, Thurs 23rd Jan at 2.30pm. We look forward to seeing many of you there. Mrs Lopez

NEXT WEEK'S MENU		
Day	Main	Dessert
<b>Mon</b>	Lasagne served with garlic bread and salad	Shortbread or fruit
<b>Tues</b>	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetable, Yorkshire puddings and gravy	Fresh fruit salad or fruit
<b>Weds</b>	Chilli con carne served with rice and warm tortilla chips	Flapjacks or fruit
<b>Thurs</b>	Sausage rolls served with pomme noisettes and baked beans	Syrup sponge pudding served with custard or fruit
<b>Fri</b>	Chicken wraps served with potato wedges and salad	Chocolate mousse or fruit

