



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2023

Weekly Newsletter

17th November 2023

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TUESDAY 21st NOVEMBER

Forms 5 and 6 Dodgeball Tournament
Wentworth Primary School
Carmel Jane Photography Revisit

THURSDAY 23rd NOVEMBER

Flu Immunisations

MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER

Nursery and Form 4 Visit to Moot Hall

TUESDAY 28th NOVEMBER

Forms 5 and 6 Dodgeball Tournament
Great Totham

THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER

Form 1 School Trip to
Colchester Zoo
Forms 2, 3 and 4 Cross Country -
Melbourne Country Park
Maldon Christmas Fayre

SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER

FOMCS Christmas Fayre



STARS OF THE WEEK



KS1 Teddy Rota and
Monaé-Bléu Miller

KS2 Aiden Tai



KS1 Ayla Mahar

KS2 Francis McGarrity



KS1 Thomas Harvey

KS2 Emily Blacknall
and Sofia Fisher

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes
Joshua Coyle, Inara Knapp,
Felicity Pudney-Fitness,
Camille Rock, Aimee Risley-Duhrsen,
Joseph Crozier, Matilda Reynolds,
and Joshua Tomlinson
a very Happy Birthday

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see all of you this week for Parents' Evening. Our children all work so hard at school and it is wonderful to see the support that we have from each and every parent. Thank you for always being so supportive of Maldon Court – together we are a great team.

This week, we have been supporting Anti-Bullying week where all children have participated in various activities. On Monday, it was lovely to see the whole school community wear their odd socks – I loved seeing some of the parents get into the spirit of it too and wear theirs! The children have participated in many fun activities throughout the week including joint class trips to Leeches Garden, buddy time with different year groups, anti-bullying assemblies and my favourite – a whole school Kindness Chain. The children all illustrated or wrote words on a paper link which were then all joined together. This looks fantastic and is displayed in school for everyone to see. Thank you to all of the children and staff who made the week such a resounding success.

On Sunday, it was my honour to accompany Sofia and Daniel, our Head Girl and Head Boy, to the Maldon Remembrance Service. They both represented the school impeccably and were excellent at reading the Kohima Epitaph in front of a huge crowd of people. They were outstanding ambassadors for Maldon Court and I was so proud of them. They also laid a wreath so if you are passing, please do have a look. Congratulations also to Sebastian Dale in Form 2 who laid a wreath on behalf of his football club. For a child so young, he displayed a superb level of maturity. Well done, Sebastian.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Ellie Hibbard for fantastic knowledge of number bonds and great confidence in addition. Well done, Ellie.

NURSERY - Nursery have been discussing the celebrating the festival Diwali this week. They made their own lanterns and also enjoyed a tuff tray with a range of media, including lights. They also learnt the Makaton sign for Diwali. Next week our new topic is 'People who help us'. The children will explore and discuss the important people in our community that help us, for example, medical practitioners, police officers and fire fighters. The children will also learn about going to the dentist and discuss oral health. For optional homework, please create a picture of people / services that help us in our local community.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - This week in Pre-Reception we have been looking at Diwali, the festival of light. The children have enjoyed experimenting with clay to make a clay diya lamp, they manipulated the clay into a small dish shape which they then decorated pushing in small beads to add lots of colour. They finished the clay diya lamps with a tealight candle to take home and share with their families.

The children have also been creating rangoli patterns using a variety of different materials, sand, gems, tissue paper and glitter.

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell



FORM 1 - As part of our English unit this half term, the children in Form 1 had a very important job of following a gingerbread recipe. We teamed up with Form 3 who were all excellent helpers with our measuring, mixing, and kneading! The children read the recipe very carefully and were all able to successfully make the most delicious gingerbread in the world! As you can see from the photos, the children absolutely loved making, decorating and eating them! The children were then able to create an excellent recipe to follow in the future, fantastic work Form 1!

Miss Vaughan



ANTI - BULLYING WEEK - This week, everybody at Maldon Court participated in 'Anti Bullying Week'. A big thank you to School Council for coming up with such fantastic, fun activities for everybody to participate in. It was School Council's idea to place such an emphasis on Anti-Bullying week due to how important the children think it is. On Monday, we started with one of our favourites, Odd Socks Day! Everybody looked great in their odd socks, and this was celebrated in our odd socks parade led by our Heads of School Council, David and Lorelai. The children absolutely loved parading around the school hall to music, each celebrating their differences (even Form 6 secretly enjoyed it). On Tuesday, School Council set up a buddy system where each class got to spend some quality time with another class in the school they would not usually buddy up with. So much enjoyment was spread over this day, from Form 1 and 3 making gingerbread together. Reception and Form 4 going on a lovely autumnal walk together in the afternoon to Leeches Garden. Fun was most definitely had by all classes, as you can see from the pictures below. On Wednesday, School Council held a poster competition. The poster was of course on anti-bullying and then a winner from each class will be picked next week. On Thursday, each class made a 'Kindness paper chain'. Each child got the opportunity to decorate a small strip of paper, celebrating kindness in the forms of words and pictures. The most special part about this chain is that on Friday in assembly, each class brought their kindness chains to the hall and the school council representatives from each class had a very important job to link all the kindness chains together. It was so lovely to see. By the end of the assembly, Maldon Court must have made the world's longest kindness chain and they should all be very proud of themselves. The children at Maldon Court had a wonderful time, the whole school and Nursery got involved. Well done Maldon Court, we hope you had a very fun, special week!

Miss Vaughan and School Council



FORM 4 - Mrs. Baron has been wowed once again by some fantastic Genius Projects by Form 4. In Science, we have been studying Animals and Their Habitats, so the children created reports on different endangered species. The PowerPoints were amazing and everyone presented their findings with confidence and enthusiasm. Well done Form 4, you have set the bar very high for the next one.

Mrs Baron



PE Timetable - W/C 20th NOVEMBER

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

MENU W/C 20th NOVEMBER



Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Sausage rolls served with potato puffs and baked beans	Flapjack or fruit
Tues	Roast chicken served with roast potatoes, carrot, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Lasagne served with sweetcorn and salad	Strawberry Jelly or fruit
Thurs	Chicken Korma served with rice and naan bread	Iced vanilla sponge cake or fruit
Fri	Crispy cod bites served with chips peas and salad	Waffles and chocolate sauce or fruit

Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason - Headteacher

FOMCS - Hello Parents. This week we held a meeting with the form reps with regards to our upcoming Christmas Fayre to be held on 2nd December between 1-3pm. We are working hard behind the scenes to make this the best fayre for our children and families. In the coming weeks communications will be sent via form reps with reminders, help required and any necessary details for this event and we appreciate all your support and patience with this. Only 2 weeks to go! Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.

