



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2021

Weekly Newsletter

19th November 2021

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

TUESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER

Forms 3 and 4 School Trip
Colchester Castle

THURSDAY 25th NOVEMBER

Maldon Vintage Fayre

THURSDAY 25th NOVEMBER

Forms 3 and 4 Cross Country

FRIDAY 26th NOVEMBER

Flu Immunisations
Reception - Form 6

TUESDAY 30th NOVEMBER

KS2 Pantomime
Chelmsford Civic Theatre

TUESDAY 30th NOVEMBER

Form 4 - 11+ Parent Meeting
2.45pm Main Hall

FRIDAY 3rd DECEMBER

Unite the Uniforms Day

MONDAY 6th DECEMBER

Nursery, Pre-Reception, Reception
and KS1 Christmas Party

WEDNESDAY 8th DECEMBER

Singing around the Christmas Tree



Dear Parents,

It has been a wonderful week where we have reflected on many important themes. We are proud to have celebrated Anti Bullying week; all of the children participated in the themed assembly on Monday morning and activities were completed in all classes throughout the week. The children and staff all wore their Odd Socks on Thursday to celebrate the diversity of all children. Everyone looked fantastic!

On Sunday, we were honoured to represent Maldon Court at Maldon's remembrance service. Our Head Girl, Emely and Head Boy, Harry laid a wreath as part of the service and were excellent ambassadors for the school. It was also lovely to see Isaac Wigginton, now in Year 10, being the Bugler at the service. We were very proud of all MC children.

On Wednesday, our Form 5 children visited the Combined Services Museum. It was a fantastic trip and further information about this is later on in the newsletter. The children displayed impeccable behaviour and had a wonderful day learning about so many interesting things.

Finally, I would like to thank John Whittingdale, MP for Maldon, for coming in to speak to our Form 5 and 6 children last Friday to coincide with the children's studies of Parliament. It was a really informative afternoon and our children were well prepared with some fantastic and challenging questions. I think it was even better than Prime Minister's Questions!

Thank you for your support for Children in Need and to the Form 6 children for manning the stall. Form 5 have also kindly contributed some of the proceeds of their cake sale today to Children in Need.

HEADTEACHERS AWARD - Congratulations to all of Form 1 who were awarded a Headteacher's award for their fantastic progress in English. Congratulations also to Sofia Fisher who was awarded one for her outstanding performance at cross country last week.

★ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ★

Maldon Court wishes
Ellie Hibbard, Beatrice Walker-Hutt,
Wilfred Smith and Scarlett Snoad
a very Happy Birthday

NURSERY- The children are really enjoying our new topic: Transport and Road Safety, we have been discussing different transportation and also the importance of staying safe when we are crossing the road. This week, the children made traffic light pictures using paint and circular objects to print the coloured lights. For Physical Time, the children spent time on the playground making good use of the road marking and traffic lights whilst using the ride along cars and trikes. They were very good at stopping when the correct sign was held up for them. This topic continues next week, for optional homework please complete the traffic survey that we have sent home. *Mrs Kim Callaghan*



NURSERY, PRE-RECEPTION AND RECEPTION - Nursery, Pre-Reception and Reception would like to say thank you to FOMCS for donating money towards some new educational resources. The children in Pre-Reception and Reception have had lots of fun using their funky fingers this week with our new fine motor resources. The children have also enjoyed playing in the role play areas with the new pots, pans, and dolls. Nursery have enjoyed playing with their new farm and jungle animals in their imaginative small world play. Thank you very much FOMCS!



FORM 1 - Last week in English Form 1 have been working extremely hard on following and writing instructions. We read the story of The Gingerbread Man and discussed which recipe would go with the story. We took some time to think about what instructions we needed to follow and then followed a recipe to make our own tasty Gingerbread Men. The children were then all able to successfully write instructions on how to make the perfect Gingerbread Man themselves. Well done Form 1, we had lots of fun and your writing was fantastic!
Miss Vaughan



FORM 2 - On Thursday, Form 2 went to the Maldon War Memorial with Form 4 to observe the 2 minute silence for Remembrance Day. We had been learning about what we are remembering and why. Both Form 2 and Form 4 were very respectful, something that was remarked upon by a member of the public, we were very proud of them. After, we went on a science walk, looking for different materials, their uses and their properties. When we got back to class, we put our results into a block graph.
Mrs Baron



FORM 5 & 6 VISIT FROM MP JOHN WHITTINGDALE - Last Friday Form 5 and 6 were visited by our local MP John Whittingdale. This timely visit coincided with the children learning all about UK Parliament throughout Parliament Week. Mr Whittingdale spoke to the children about the Houses of Parliament, what life was like as a politician, and why he became a politician. He suggested that if you have strong beliefs and would like to help make a difference that you should consider a career in Politics. I wonder how many budding politicians we have. The children had so many interesting questions to ask him. It was a fabulous way to bring to reality the learning we had done about Parliament, The House of Lords, The House of Commons and Laws.



ANTI BULLYING WEEK

WELLNESS CLUB - This week we focused on Kindness in Wellness Club. The children came up with some fantastic ideas to create a '7 Days of Kindness' Calendar. They also enjoyed designing some wonderful Odd Sock designs.

Mrs Wilkins



FORM 5 - This week Form 5 visited the Combined Services Museum in Maldon. During the visit the children took part in 3 activities linking to their History topic - World War 2.

The children learnt about war time rationing looking at some of the foods that were available and the portion sizes that were expected to last them a week and how they could grow fruit and vegetables as part of the 'Dig for Victory' campaign to help boost their food supplies. They found out about clothing rations which clothed people for the year and how 'Make do and mend' meant that clothes would be passed down through the family when children grew out of clothes or had to be mended if they were torn.

The second activity explored the life of the Cockleshell heroes who were able to render the harbour of Bordeaux useless after brave commandos canoed their way 60 miles up the Gironde River to plant mines on enemy ships.

Finally, the children discovered what life was like during air raids and how people would keep themselves safe in homemade shelters, escaping to underground train stations in London and following rules such as adhering to the blackouts in order to prevent the enemy from using landmarks to bomb England. The children had a fabulous time and as always were impeccably behaved.

Mrs Clark and Mrs Bonner



PE Timetable - W/C 22nd November

Wednesday

Thursday

On Site PE Lesson - Morning

Pre-Reception

Form 5

Form 1

Form 6

Form 2

All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm

Forms 5 and 6

Forms 3 and 4

KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 5 and 6 - Wednesday 24th November

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs E Mason

Headteacher

FOMCS - Thank you to all that attended our FOMCS meeting on Wednesday. It was so lovely to see you, share ideas and have positive feedback on our upcoming events. The majority of children's Christmas card and gift orders have also been sent out this week (a second delivery is to be expected soon) we hope you love their creations as much as we do. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey

MENU W/C 22nd November

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Chilli con carne served with rice and warmed tortilla chips	Shortbread or fruit
Tues	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Chicken and tomato pasta bake served with sweet corn and salad	Apple crumble and custard or fruit
Thurs	Sausage rolls served with chips and baked beans	Butterscotch mousse or fruit
Fri	Youngs fish fingers served with herbed potatoes, peas and salad	Chocolate ice cream or fruit

