



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2024

Weekly Newsletter

1st March 2024

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAY 4th -

TUESDAY 5th MARCH

Mother's Day Pop up Shop

WEDNESDAY 6th MARCH

Mother's Day Morning Assembly -
Pre-Reception 8.45am

THURSDAY 7th MARCH

World Book Day

KS2 Girls Football Tournament

Beacon Hill, Wickham Bishops 3-5pm

FRIDAY 8th MARCH

School Report Sent Home

MONDAY 11th MARCH

Maths Day

Form 1 School Trip -

Abberton Reservoir

WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH

Form 3 Class Assembly

FRIDAY 15th MARCH

Red Nose Day - Comic Relief

Form 2 Cake Sale

SATURDAY 16th MARCH

Open Day



Dear Parents,

Welcome back. I hope that you all had a lovely half term and had a restful and enjoyable time with your family. As always, the children have settled back into school life seamlessly this week. It has been a busy start to the half term with many of our additional musical lessons starting. On Monday, children started their Toot and Dood lessons with Mrs Harvey and it has been a resounding success. This was followed by piano lessons resuming again on Thursday with Mrs Stone. Again, the children thoroughly enjoyed their first lesson. A special thank you to Mrs Abrehart for her exceptional logistical skills. Fitting in so many children to have these lessons whilst also navigating breaks, lunches and avoiding all of the other activities that the children do within the school day is a challenge but it has been achieved.

On Monday, our Form 5 and 6 children participated in the Life Support Roadshow. The children learned lots of different procedures including, CPR, the Heimlich manoeuvre and how to put a casualty in the recovery position. The children practised their skills on a dummy and got to test out their strength. The workshop was very helpful and the children could all explain the steps clearly. A big thank you to the 'Life Support Roadshow' for this very important experience; the children gained so much from this workshop.

On Tuesday, our Form 2 children went on a trip to Layer Marney Tower. The children had a wonderful time and were an exemplary ambassadors for our school. Well done, Form 2. More information about this trip is further on in the newsletter. On Tuesday also, Form 5 completed a mock exam in the hall. The children were a credit to themselves and they all tried their best – that is all we ever ask for. Well done to each and every one of them.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Lincoln Tomlinson who has been awarded the Headteacher's award this week for displaying excellent manners. Well done, Lincoln.

Finally, thank you all for your support for our upcoming Open Day. Your support with the posters and signs, as well as liking and sharing our Facebook post is really appreciated. Thank you so much.

STARS OF THE WEEK



KS1 Arun White

KS2 David van Stolk



KS1 Sebastian Apthorp

KS2 Henry Hugo and
Henry Allen



KS1 Matilda Reynolds

KS2 Lucas Day

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes
Lottie Gremi, Alfie Hibbard
and Mr Guest
a very Happy Birthday

NURSERY - Nursery have had a lovely first week back. Our first topic this half term has been The Jungle. We have had lots of fun discussing our favourite jungle animals. The children pretended to be a range of animals during physical time and had their own jungle to explore inside our new climbing frame. We also created a Jungle Café, where the children shared food and served each other tea and cake. Next week our topic is Expressive Arts. The children will enjoy a range of fun activities to allow them to express themselves. For optional homework please create a picture or collage that allows your child's expression and creativity to shine through.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Our topic this week has been 'We Are All Different' and we have been discussing the word 'Unique' and what this means. We have been talking about how and why we are all different, we have looked at eye colour, hair colour, heights and have displayed these results on bar charts which have been added to a class display. Also, after the success of our last pop-up igloo, this term the children have a pop-up shop which they have loved playing in. The children have enjoyed role playing in here, taking it in turns to be customers and shop keepers, some lovely role play.

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell



FORM 5 - On Monday, Form 5 attended the 'Life Support Roadshow'. During the session the children learnt crucial life saving skills such as CPR, the recovery position and even used a defibrillator. Throughout the session the children were incredibly sensible and thoughtful. The class were applauded by the teachers giving the talk for their excellent listening and asking appropriate, interesting questions. Very proud of you Form 5 for your brilliant focus.

Mrs Dickinson



FORM 1 - GYMNASTICS Form One have had a fantastic gymnastics lesson during their PE time. The children have been learning all about the importance of core strength, balance and focus. They have performed a number of activities to test their skills, including synchronised movements through hoops, tunnels, bridges and even a human pendulum!



FORM 3 - Form 3 had a very enjoyable trip to Maldon library on Thursday morning. When we arrived, we were greeted by Sian and Heather. The children loved learning about the Dewey Decimal system that is used to organise the books and took part in a fun activity session to hunt down different books in both the fiction and non-fiction sections. The library also ordered in some beautiful rainforest themed books for the children to enjoy following on from our most recent Geography topic. To finish our session, the children had some free time to explore the books they were interested in. Plenty of children left the library with an idea for their next read. We had a really wonderful time and the children behaved impeccably. Thank you very much Maldon library for having us!

Miss Oxford



FORM 2 - On Tuesday, Form 2 began their new topic with a visit to Layer Marney Tower where we participated in a 'Great Fire of London' workshop. It began with a tour of the tower-we learnt about features of buildings of the time and also about how fires could start and spread quickly. We visited the church on site and learnt about how churches were people's safe places and how 87 burnt down in the 3 days of fire in London. The children then partook in a dramatic retelling of the events of the Great Fire. They learnt how it began and how it was stopped. The highlight for many children was watching the different colours in the fire that was lit in the fireplace! There's nothing quite like gazing into a controlled fire! We then used chalk to create a piece of art to capture the colours. The children were beautifully behaved and were fantastic representatives of the school. We had a really lovely visit.

Mrs Caldwell



PE Timetable - W/C 4th MARCH

Day	Form	Lesson
Wednesday	Forms 3, 4, 5 and 6	Off site PE
	Forms 3 and 4 - Sports club To be held at Maldon Hockey Club Collection at 4.15pm	Off site club
Thursday	Pre-Reception, Forms 1 and 2	On site PE
Friday	Swimming for Forms 1 and 2	Off site Swimming

Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason - Headteacher

FOMCS - Welcome back to our Maldon Court families. We hope you had a restful and fun half term. Over the next few weeks we have a lot of activities and events for our little ones to participate in, starting with our Mother's Day Pop Up shop next Monday and Tuesday, then Easter fun with our annual decorate an Easter hat/egg competition! As a reminder, unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances our Bingo night has been postponed from this evening to be rescheduled later this year. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.

MENU W/C 4th MARCH



Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread and salad	Shortbread or fruit
Tues	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Chicken Korma served with rice and naan bread	Orange jelly or fruit
Thurs	World Book Day Themed Lunch	Shortbread or fruit
Fri	Young's fish fingers served with chips, peas and salad	Chocolate chip cookie or fruit

