



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2020

Weekly Newsletter

2nd October 2020

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 5th OCTOBER

Forms 3 and 4 School Trip
Maldon Promenade Park

MONDAY 5th - FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER

Harvest Donations into School

TUESDAY 6th OCTOBER

School in Action Day

MONDAY 12th OCTOBER

Conker Competition

TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER

Flu Immunisations

FRIDAY 16th OCTOBER

Half Term

MONDAY 19th - FRIDAY 30th OCTOBER

Half Term

MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

Children Return to School
Clubs Resume

SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER

11+ Examination

MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER

11+ Examination

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ★

Maldon Court wishes -

Daniel Baker, Frankie Bannister, Emely Dunkin, India Fisher and Zoe Hull a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

The children have enjoyed a successful week working extremely hard in their classrooms in all subjects. It is wonderful to see the outstanding level of work that each class are completing. This week, in particular, the Form 6 children have remained focused and determined as they have completed their mock 11+ and entrance examinations in the hall. The results will be shared with the children today, we never lose sight of how difficult these examinations are and are inspired by how much dedication and hard work the children put in. The teachers have been busy marking and standardising these papers and I am truly grateful to the them for the hours of work they put in at home to produce results so quickly. Well done to all involved.

Every class in the school from nursery upwards have also been completing pieces of artwork based on the theme of Autumn for our whole school hall displays. The children have thoroughly enjoyed completing their pieces and the hall displays are already looking fabulous.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Arthur Heath in Form 1 and Florence Fenton in Form 5 who won the Headteacher's award this week. Well done to Arthur for his excellent attitude to his work and Florence for her outstanding progress and attitude in PE. Good Manners certificates were presented in class to Eliza Cowell and Lucas Day. I would also like to congratulate the children who win the house stars certificate every week from KS1 and KS2. This is a fiercely contested competition for the House Stars cup which is presented at our annual Prizegiving event. The children work extremely hard to win stars for themselves and their house and it is a pleasure to present them to the winning children each week.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your continued support of the school. The emails and telephone calls of support and appreciation really do mean a great deal to all of the staff and it is especially appreciated in these changed times for us all. We will always have the best interests of each and every child at the heart of what we do.

NURSERY - On Monday, Nursery enjoyed a trip to Leeches Gardens. We wrapped up warm so that we could have fun and explore. The children searched for autumn foliage, we found leaves, twigs, conkers, acorns and pinecones. We collected them in our bags to take them back to Nursery. We have used the items in our tuff tray to discuss and play with. We have also made some paintings with them. Whilst we were at the gardens some of the children gathered twigs to make a pretend campfire. It was great fun! Next week we have a new topic – People who help us. For optional homework, please create a picture of people that help us in the community.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have been really enjoying their PE lessons with Miss Broadbridge. This week we enjoyed playing 'The bean game'. All the children found it very funny being broad beans and runner beans to move around the playground. We also played some Tag rugby games using the soft rugby balls and the Velcro tags.

Miss Washbourne and Miss Denyer

PRE RECEPTION AND RECEPTION- Pre Reception and Reception had a fantastic morning at Leeches Memorial Garden on Thursday. The children searched for signs of Autumn and were delighted to find pinecones, acorns, different coloured leaves and berries. The children used the Autumnal items that they found to create cosy dens for hedgehogs and other animals that are preparing to hibernate. The children behaved impeccably and a wonderful day was had by all.



FORM 6 - Form 6 have had a great week in School, we managed a full class buddy time with Reception. The pupils read 3 books to the children via zoom and the Reception children were so happy to see all their buddies. In English we have been working on a video topic, "The Shadow of Blue" and to finish this the children produced some fantastic descriptive and narrative writing for the wall. They have really enjoyed peer editing their work and have been encouraging to one another to take the next steps to really improve their work. In Geography we have been looking at maps and grid references and have had a great time looking for places near where we live on the OS maps.

Mrs Bradford and Mrs Summers



PE - This week in PE, Pre-Reception, Reception, Form 1 and Form 2 have enjoyed their weekly PE lesson. Pre Reception and Reception have been learning how to negotiate space, experience playing games that include a variety of agility, balance and coordination skills. Well done for all your excellent effort and enthusiasm each week. KSI have been learning to play tennis this term, which has included many activities that have developed various skills from their topic of 'Sending and Receiving Games'. Pupils have learnt how to hold a tennis racket correctly, use a tennis racket safely and with control, send a ball towards a target. All children have thoroughly enjoyed being outside and playing lots of sport! Well done KSI!

Miss Broadbridge and Mr Coyle



PE Timetable - W/C 5th October

Wednesday		Thursday	
On Site PE Lesson - Morning			
Pre-Reception		Reception	
Form 1		Form 5	
Form 2		Form 6	
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm			
Form 3		Form 4	
KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 3 and 4 - Wednesday 23rd 3.30 - 4.30pm			

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - We have started discussions with the school as to how we can run our much-loved Christmas events, and make the season feel as special as usual, the children certainly deserve a fun filled end to this school year. We also have a new preloved uniform system in the pipeline so watch this space.
Mrs Lopez and Mrs Stevenson

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Cheese, ham and tomato pasta bake served with sweetcorn and salad	Shortbread or fruit
Tues	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, carrots, peas, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Sweet and sour chicken served with rice, prawn crackers and salad	Iced vanilla sponge with sprinkles or fruit
Thurs	Sausages, duchess potatoes and baked beans	Rocky road or fruit
Fri	Fish fingers, herbed potatoes, peas and salad	Arctic roll or fruit

