



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2019

Weekly Newsletter

20th September

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

SATURDAY 21st SEPTEMBER
11+ Examination

MONDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER
Jeans for Genes day

FRIDAY 4th OCTOBER
Form 6 Cake Sale

TUESDAY 8th OCTOBER
School in Action Day

MONDAY 14th OCTOBER
Conker Competition

WEDNESDAY 16th OCTOBER
Harvest Festival

MONDAY 21st OCTOBER
Half Term Begins

MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER
Children return to school
Clubs resume

MONDAY 11th NOVEMBER
Individual and sibling photographs

TUESDAY 12th NOVEMBER
Parents' Evening - 3.40- 6pm

WEDNESDAY 13th NOVEMBER
Anti-Bullying - Odd Sock day

THURSDAY 14th NOVEMBER
Parents' Evening 6 - 8pm



Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to wish the children in Form 6 that are sitting the 11+ examinations tomorrow the very best of luck. We will all be thinking of them and hope that they have a very well deserved rest on Sunday.

This week, I have had the pleasure of meeting with the MCPS Heads of School. These are the student representatives from across the school who meet regularly with me to discuss the pupils ideas for any additions or improvements they would like to make to their school. These meetings are very productive and they give the pupils a genuine voice in aspects of the running of our school. The children were very enthusiastic and provided me with lots of ideas for lunches, playtimes and for theme days that they have been thinking about. I look forward to our next lunch and implementing some of their ideas into the school.

HEADTEACHERS AWARD - Congratulations to Alex Willey and Mathilda Cowell who won the Headteacher's Award this week for an outstanding start to Form 5 with both their class work and their homework. Keep up the great work.

I would also like to thank all the parents who attended the FOMCS AGM on Wednesday afternoon. I would like to thank Vicky Bamgboye and Laura Randall for the exceptional amount of hard work they have put in as our Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. They have worked incredibly hard over the past two years to provide our children with various exciting trips and opportunities and we are very grateful. Congratulations to the following parents elected to FOMCS positions for this year. Tori Lopez who was elected as Chairperson, Charlotte Stevenson as Vice Chair, Sam Bruce as Secretary and Richard Baker as Treasurer.

NURSERY - Nursery have been enjoying the topic 'All About Me' this week. We have been discussing our family, our bodies and our favourite activities. We learnt a new song this week 'The Skeleton Dance', we all had great fun moving our bodies in time to the music and pointing out our bones! Next week this topic continues. Children, for optional homework please bring in a drawing or painting to express yourselves.
Mrs Kim Callaghan



FORM 2 - Form 2 carried out a test to find out if children get faster when they are older. Form 6 were the comparison and helped carry out the tests with enthusiasm and competitiveness. There were 4 groups who hopped, skipped, ran and star-jumped. Overall, Form 6 did complete the tests faster than Form 2 and there were some lovely discussions about why that might be, such as, longer, stronger legs. Thankfully, Mrs. Baron and Mrs Fleming's times were not included in the results. Thank you Form 6, your help was very much appreciated.
Mrs Baron



FORM 3 - In English Form 3 began reading George's Marvellous Medicine. We are learning about instructions and how to make the perfect medicine for Grandma. We began by talking about what George added to his medicine and why we think he did this. Miss Vaughan made her own medicine with the class which included: engine oil, blood, rabbit droppings, slime and mud. Miss Vaughan even tasted some, it was horrid! Form 3 have created their own recipe which we will be writing about next week. Well done Form 3.
Miss Vaughan



FORM 1 - Form 1 have been exploring number mats this week. The children each had a number mat and had to experiment how they could make their numbers using various types of equipment including Unifix cubes and Numicon.

Miss Sackett



PE - The children have impressed us all with their enthusiasm and concentration during their PE lessons this term. KS1 children have made the most of the new space available to them on the playground. We have been working on our Netball and Hockey skills. Children in EYFS have been working on their coordination and balance by playing games in the hall and on the playground that are designed to be fun, energetic and inclusive so that every child can build a love of sport and physical activity. All the KS2 children have now had 2 hour sessions at the all weather pitch and these have proven a real success. This week F3 and F4 have been working on their hockey and tag rugby skills. From next week we would like to move on to match based scenarios in both sports so it is essential that all KS2 children bring their shin pads and mouth guards for all PE lessons. With Cross Country fixtures approaching later this term we are also working on fitness, stamina and efficient running techniques. Form 3 and 4 children have all completed fitness tests this week, these give us an indication of the children's fitness levels and allow us to track how these improve throughout the year. They also teach the children the importance of pacing themselves, breathing correctly, thinking positively and recovering efficiently from physical activity using the breathing and movement techniques we have been teaching them.

Mr Coyle and Mr Roast



WELLNESS ROOM - Our fantastic new Wellness Room is proving to be very popular with the children. The first Wellness Club drop-in session was held this week and was attended by children from Form 1 up to Form 6. The children enjoyed relaxing activities including colouring and some simple meditation exercises and loved the 'glitter jars'. We have lots of new items arriving for the room, including blankets, beanbags, 'worry monsters', lava lamps and story books. Due to the popularity of the Wellness room children may now drop in Monday to Thursday during morning break instead of just once a week. Thank you to the FOMCS for their generous funding of the Wellness Room.

Mrs Wilkins



PE Timetable - W/C 23rd September

Wednesday

Thursday

On Site PE Lesson - Morning

F1

F2

PR

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F3

F4

All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm

F5

F6

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs E Mason

Headteacher

FOMCS

AGM RESULTS

Chair Person	Vice Chair	Secretary	Treasurer
Tori Lopez	Charlotte Stevenson	Samantha Bruce	Richard Baker

CAKE SALES - Form 6 - Friday 4th October
 Form 5 - Friday 15th November
 Form 4 - Friday 17th January

Next Week's Menu

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Chili con carne served with warm tortilla chips and salad.	Shortbread or fruit.
Tues	Sweet and Sour chicken served with rice, prawn crackers and salad.	Vanilla sponge with sprinkles or fruit.
Weds	Roast beef, served with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy.	Fresh fruit salad or yoghurt.
Thurs	Homemade Italian lasagna served with garlic bread and salad.	Neapolitan ice cream or fruit.
Fri	Sausages, mashed potato, peas and gravy.	Strawberry mousse or fruit.



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