



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term

Weekly Newsletter

21st April 2023

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAY 24th APRIL
- **FRIDAY 28th April**
Form 6 - PGL

MONDAY 24th APRIL
Cross Country - St Francis 4pm
Forms 3, 4 and 5

TUESDAY 25th APRIL
Form 5 Road Safety Training

WEDNESDAY 26th APRIL
Reception Road Safety Training

MONDAY 1st MAY
Bank Holiday

WEDNESDAY 3rd MAY
Form 5 - Class Assembly

FRIDAY 5th MAY
King's Coronation Event
Form 1 Cake Sale

MONDAY 8th MAY
Bank Holiday

TUESDAY 9th MAY
Class Photographs
11+ Parent Meeting - Form 5

**THURSDAY 11th -
FRIDAY 12th MAY**
Danbury Outdoors - Form 4

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes
Francis McGarrity, Lucas Day
Samuel Abrehart, Reuben Crozier,
Jacob Tsai and Miss O'Reilly
a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the Summer term. It has been lovely to see the children looking so smart in their summer uniform with their blazers and hats. Thank you to all of you for maintaining our high standards of uniform presentation. The children have all settled back into their school routine well and are back into the swing of their lessons and routines.

I would like to welcome Ms White and Mrs Yeaman into the Maldon Court staff team. They are both Higher Level Teaching Assistants with a wealth of experience and expertise. We are so pleased to have gained two such incredibly passionate and experienced members of staff who will add to our already highly experienced staff team. I would also like to welcome Archi Stevenson, Mia Clark and Jude who all started with us in Nursery this week.

This week in celebration assembly, children found out who the new Form Captains, House Captains and Sports Captains were. Congratulations to the children that were awarded these for the summer term and I know that you will all do a fantastic job representing your class and school. The new Captains are listed on the next page.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Rudy Carter in Reception who won the award for his excellent sentence writing. Congratulations also to Eliza Cowell for gaining the award for her outstanding results representing Maldon Court at NSEA Equestrian Competitions. Well done to both children.

Finally, I would like to wish our Form 6 class a brilliant time when they go to their PGL residential in Suffolk on Monday. I have no doubt that they will embrace all of the exciting opportunities that are on offer to them and I look forward to hearing all about it when they return. The school never feels the same when a class is away for a residential trip. However, I know that Form 5 will step up and enjoy all of the responsibilities that Form 6 do for next week.

FORM CAPTAINS, SPORTS CAPTAINS AND HOUSE CAPTAINS

| Form Captains | | | | Australia House | Sienna Smith-Creane |
|---------------|----------------|--------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Reception | Jacob Simpson | Form 3 | Isabella Russell | Canada House | Harry Barker |
| Form 1 | Sienna Crozier | Form 4 | Tobias Venus-Bishop | New Zealand House | India Fisher |
| Form 2 | Zoe Hull | Form 5 | Jessica Strong | Sports Captains | Jacob Day and Lauren Griggs |

NURSERY - Nursery have had a lovely first week back. We have been enjoying our outside classroom, making good use of the natural area and the sensory kitchen. The children have also enjoyed the topic, The Hungry Caterpillar and Minibeasts. We read the story and explored the caterpillar in the role play zone, feeding him the food from the story and discussing the transformation from caterpillar to butterfly. During physical time, we made our own caterpillar, using coloured scarves and moving our bodies around the room. The children explored a range of different insects, using the toy minibeasts and the magnifying lens. Next week, our new topic is Stories, Songs and Rhymes. For optional homework please make a simple, homemade puppet.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have had a great week back in school and have enjoyed telling us all about their half term adventures. This week we started our new topic 'On the Farm' and the children have enjoyed telling us during circle time, memories from when they have visited a farm and what they enjoyed the most which they then drew onto a piece of work. The children have also been painting tractors, looking at an example and copying remembering to add the details such as a window, ladder and chimney.

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell

FORM 5 - As part of their Ancient Greek topic, Form 5 created slider slippers fit for a Greek God! In the design phase the children explored designs, colours and textures. They sharpened their stitching skills with some colourful felt samplers and practised pattern making with paper and pins. Their products were absolutely brilliant, well done Form 5!

Mrs Warman



FORMS 1 AND 3 - Form 1 were met by a very knowledgeable Knight who took us on a journey to explore all of the hidden parts of the Castle. We climbed the great stairs for a birds-eye view from the Castle roof (some of our legs were very wobbly at the top). We had the opportunity to do some hands on learning about castle feasts, medicine and medieval writing. We also enjoyed following the Castles trail, exploring the castles different features. To everybody's surprise, lastly, the children were all jubilant to be able to spend some time in the Castle shop and buy some very interesting souvenirs!

Form 3 really enjoyed travelling back in time to 2000 years ago, where they descended into the Roman vaults under the Castle. We were met by a fantastic tour guide who gave us a very dramatic, interactive story tour that explored the Roman invasion and Boudica's revolt. We then had to work as a team on a challenge to reconstruct a large model of a Roman villa and Iron Age roundhouse. Lastly, we experienced some free time around the exhibits and galleries. Thank you to Mrs Dale for coming along and helping with the school trip. A fun, educational day was had by all!

Miss Vaughan and Miss Oxford



PE Timetable - W/C 24th APRIL

Onsite PE lesson

| Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Pre-Reception Form 1 Form 2 | | Reception Form 1 Form 2 |
| All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm | | Swimming |
| Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| | Forms 3, 4 and 5 | Forms 3, 4 and 5 |

Sports Club will be held at school for Forms 3 and 4 on Thursday 27th April - Collection at 4.15pm

Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - Welcome back families to our Summer term. We hope you all had a lovely Easter Break. We would like to thank you for all your contributions towards our Easter events last term which raised us £312.50 to put back into events and equipment for the children. We truly do appreciate your support. Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.

MENU W/C 24th APRIL



| Day | Main | Dessert |
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| Mon | Sausage rolls served with pomme noisettes and baked beans | Flapjack or fruit |
| Tues | Roast chicken served with roast potatoes, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy | Yoghurt or fruit |
| Weds | Pasta Bolognese served with sweet corn and salad | Strawberry jelly or fruit |
| Thurs | Chicken Korma served with rice and naan bread | Chocolate chip cookies or fruit |
| Fri | Young's fish fingers served with potato croquettes, peas and salad | Arctic roll or fruit |

