



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2024

Weekly Newsletter

22nd March 2024

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAY 25th MARCH

Easter Hat/ Egg Assembly

TUESDAY 26th MARCH

FOMCS Easter Egg Hunt

TUESDAY 26th -

THURSDAY 28th MARCH

Form 5 Fellowship Afloat

WEDNESDAY 27th MARCH

Pre-Reception and Reception School
Trip to Oaksbrook Retreat

FRIDAY 28th MARCH -

FRIDAY - 12th APRIL

Easter Holiday

MONDAY - 15th APRIL

INSET DAY

TUESDAY - 16th APRIL

Children Return to School
No Clubs This Week
Form 5 11+ Mock Examination
KS2 Cross Country St. Francis 3pm

FRIDAY - 19th APRIL

KS2 Tag Rugby - Drapers Farm

STARS OF THE WEEK



KS1 Katherine Boustead

KS2 Meghan Knight



KS1 Gabriella Mazhawidza

KS2 Janeska
Woodlock-Taylor



KS1 Alexandra Hayward

KS2 Lottie Lamont

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes
Emily Harvey, Tobias Venus-Bishop
Mrs Yeaman, Miss Wayman and
Mr Hilton
a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for attending Open Day on Saturday. What a wonderful morning it was. The children excelled themselves with their superb performances to you all. Their public speaking was of an exceptional standard for children so young and I could not have been prouder of them. Their songs were sang beautifully and the poetry was excellent. Of course, Open Day wouldn't be Open Day without our traditional country dancing and Maypole dancing. It was lovely to see the parents encouraging their children and the children did both themselves and the school proud. What wonderful dancers we have. Open Day is also a day which gives parents and grandparents an opportunity to look around all of the school and classrooms as I am always so proud of the standard of work that the children produce. This is highlighted in our displays throughout the school. I would like to say thank you for all of your kind comments and emails about the day, it is much appreciated. Thank you for taking the time to support our wonderful school.

This week, we have had our next Parent's Evening both face to face and online. Thank you all for making the appointments and working in partnership so closely with the teachers and your children to ensure that we achieve the very best for your child. Both evenings were a resounding success.

On Wednesday, our Form 2 children performed their class assembly to their parents and the rest of the school. The children taught us so much about the Great Fire of London. They shared wonderful picture, poems and songs with the whole school. Thank you to all parents and grandparents for coming to watch and also to Mrs Caldwell and Miss Broadbridge for their effort into producing a fun and informative assembly. A wonderful class, well done.

Finally, I would like to say well done to Form 1 and 2 children who have now completed their swimming at Blackwater. I have been every week to watch the children and I am so impressed to see the improvements and progress that they have all made. Today, they finished the final part of the lessons with a fun session which they thoroughly enjoyed. Well done Forms 1 and 2.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Grace Outlaw and Harry in Form 1 who won the Headteacher's Award this week for reading with beautiful expression and fluency. Well done to Katherine Boustead who also won the award for excellent progress in her learning.

NURSERY - For our Spring Topic, Nursery have been discussing the changes in our environment. We enjoyed a walk around the school and spotted some daffodils, some snow drops and a blossom tree. For creative time, we made our own blossom trees with the use of pink paint and our finger tips. We discussed baby animals and the children explored a farm tuff tray together. We bought some daffodils and added them to water. The children have enjoyed watching the buds open into flower. We then added them to the tuff tray for the children to see and draw. Next week is Easter Week. The children will enjoy a range of crafts relating to this theme.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



RECEPTION - Reception have enjoyed spending lots of time in the outdoor area this week in the lovely spring weather. We have been checking our plants and making sure they are well watered. The lavender, mint and rosemary smell beautiful. We were very happy to see our sunflowers beginning to grow. With lots of water and care, we think they are going to end up taller than us!

Miss Wayman



FORM 2 - This week in Form 2, we have been learning to measure in millilitres and litres. We used the water beakers outside to measure different amounts and discussed the capacity of the different jugs and beakers. We also discussed the volume of the liquid within each beaker. We had great fun measuring the liquids and experimenting with the water. Well done Form 2.

Miss Broadbridge



FORM 4 - Form 4 have been investigating how sound travels. We have learned that vibrations pass from a sound source to particles in the air and these vibrations reach our ears where they are changed into electrical signals which are sent to the brain. Then, the brain tells us what we are hearing. This week we made string telephones and experimented to see how these worked. Despite the knots, we were impressed with how well these worked. Mrs Baron



FORM 6 - Form 6 are learning all about light this half term. We have studied how light travels and how shadows are created. We had fun this week doing refraction experiments. We saw how a pencil appears broken when half submerged in a cup of water. We also carried out the reappearing coin trick by slowly pouring water into a cup with a coin stuck to the bottom. We also learned about the visible light spectrum and how white light is made up of seven colours. We learned how refraction through a prism causes the light to refract and split into its different colours. We then made a Newton disk and mastered spinning it to see how the colours blend back together to create a whiteish shade if you can spin the disk fast enough. Just like a yoyo perseverance was needed to master the technique but most of the class were successful!

Mrs Summers



PE Timetable - W/C 25th 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

**Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason - Headteacher**

FOMCS - Hello parents. A massive thank you to Form 2 who with their Cake Sale last week raised our biggest total to date of £118 and we are donating £60 of this to Comic Relief. Next week sees our Easter events, starting with the Easter bonnet and egg parade along with our guess the name of the bunny competition through the week and Easter hunt on Tuesday. Please refer to previous ParentMails for more information. Have a wonderful weekend. *Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.*

MENU W/C 25th MARCH



Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Chilli con carne served with rice and warm tortilla chips	Orange jelly or fruit
Thurs	Hotdogs served with chips and salad	Jam doughnuts or fruit
Fri	GOOD FRIDAY	

