



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2022

Weekly Newsletter

23rd September 2022

DATES FOR THE DIARY

THURSDAY 29th SEPTEMBER

Dot Day

Immersive Floor Gallery 3.00pm

FRIDAY 30th SEPTEMBER

Form 6 Cake Sale

TUESDAY 4th OCTOBER

Harvest Festival Rehearsal

FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER

Form 5 School Trip

Braintree Museum

FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER

Forms 3 and 4

Tag Rugby Tournament

FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER

FOMCS Quiz Night

MONDAY 10th OCTOBER

Conker Competition

MONDAY 10th OCTOBER

Open Day

TUESDAY 11th OCTOBER

Harvest Festival

All Saints Church 9.15am

MONDAY 17th OCTOBER -

FRIDAY 28th OCTOBER

Half Term

MONDAY 31st OCTOBER

Children Return to School

Clubs Resume

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court Wishes
Aiden Weetch, Finley Gremi,
Mrs Clark and Mrs Mays
a Very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

Congratulations to all children who completed their 11 Plus and CEM exams over the past few days. As it is with the children every year, the past weekend has been a culmination of many, many hours of hard work and preparation. The children all put their very best effort into their exams and I wish them every success for their results. Well done to all children.

On Tuesday, we held our Jeans for Genes Day. The children all came to school with their jeans on and we raised a brilliant £149.42. The children all participated in an informative assembly led by Mrs Bonner on Tuesday morning so that they were fully aware of the reasons behind the fundraising. Thank you for all of your generous donations.

Our School Council, Eco and Healthy School committees are in full swing this week and their new initiatives are already well underway. The children are already looking forward to their Book Swap. Thank you to everyone who has brought in books so far.

The children have been busily preparing this week for Harvest Festival. Please save the date for Tuesday 11th October. As always, we will be donating all contributions to Maldon Food Bank, St Peter's Hospital and we have also contacted Dengie Food Pantry who are extremely grateful to be included in our donations. A list of goods that can be donated will be sent to you in due course.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Sebastian Dale who won the Headteacher Award this week for his excellent writing in English. Also congratulations to Mia Tolhurst who won the award for her excellent determination in Maths. Congratulations to Blake Jacob and Mya Chambers for winning the Cool to be Kind award.

NURSERY - Nursery have had another lovely week and have thoroughly enjoyed our new topic Nursery Rhymes. For Physical Time, we used the large soft slope and pretended to be Humpty Dumpty, each of the children had to climb up to sit on the 'wall' before sliding down. We also used the slope to act out Jack and Jill, the children took turns to climb 'up the hill'. The children have been singing Five Little Ducks and using our Sign of the Week: Duck. The children also enjoyed participating in Jeans for Genes Day on Tuesday. Next week, this topic continues, for optional homework please create a picture at home of your favourite Nursery Rhyme or share a video of you singing your favourite rhyme on Tapestry. *Mrs Kim Callaghan*



RECEPTION - Reception have enjoyed spending lots of time learning in our outdoor classroom. We have some wonderful resources to develop our gross motor skills, role play and imagination. We have had lots of fun creating obstacle courses and have developed balance and coordination on the stepping stones. We have also been developing our gross motor skills by travelling under, over and through the climbing frame. *Miss Wayman*



FORM 1 - This week Form 1 had a very special visitor! The Tiger Who Came to Tea wanted to come and apologise to Form 1 for eating all the food and drinking all the water. To say sorry, Form 1 taught the Tiger how to share, and that sharing is so much better than taking it all for yourself. With the Tiger, we all shared a couple of biscuits and some imaginary tea! And then the Tiger left. *Miss Vaughan*

FORM 3 - Form 3 have had a very busy return to the classroom and have been working extremely hard in their lessons. In our science lesson this week we have been investigating rocks. During our experiment, the children had a range of different rocks and they had to conduct a few different tests on each rock. These tests included observing whether they react to vinegar, if they can be scratched by sandpaper and if they absorb or repel water. After carrying out their tests, the children then had to record their results into a table. It was wonderful to see such budding scientists in the classroom and lots of fun was had by all! *Miss Oxford*



FORM 4 - In science, we have been grouping living things and classifying vertebrates and invertebrates using classification keys. We also went on an invertebrate hunt to see if we could use our classification keys to identify the animals we found. In History, we have been learning about the Anglo-Saxons, Picts and Scots. This week we made our own standing stones which we decorated with Pictish symbols and our names written in Ogham.

Mrs Baron



HEALTHY SCHOOLS - In Healthy Schools we are planning to set up a food bank where, after Harvest Festival, we will accept food in a box at the gate (if you can, please donate British food to reduce the carbon footprint) and it will be taken to local charities. We are also going to have a Healthy School suggestion box. We have a few more ideas that we will share with you all soon.

Eli Hawes and Maggie Alexander (Form 6)

ECO SCHOOLS - To give parents more time to get recycling and books together, we have extended the Clothing Recycle Drive and The Book Swap for another week. Please bring your books and/or clothing in by Friday 30th September.

PE Timetable - W/C 26th SEPTEMBER

Onsite PE lesson

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pre-Reception Form 1 Form 2		Reception
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm		Swimming
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Forms 5 and 6	Forms 3 and 4	Forms 1, 2 and 3
Sports Club - Forms 5 and 6 on Wednesday 28th September at the all weather pitch collection at 4.15pm		

Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - Thank you to all that attended our AGM on Thursday evening. It was great to be able to talk through FOMCS events for the coming year and get your thoughts too. We voted in and welcomed all our new form reps and offered a big thank you to those for last years commitment and support. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey

MENU W/C 26th SEPTEMBER

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast turkey served with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Sausages, pomme noisettes and backed beans	Orange jelly or fruit
Thurs	Chicken Korma served with rice and naan bread	Rocky road or fruit
Fri	Harry Ramsden fish fillet served with herbed potatoes, peas and salad	Strawberry ice cream or fruit

