



# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term 2024

Weekly Newsletter

26th April 2024

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### MONDAY 29th APRIL

I1+ and Secondary School Parent Meeting 2.30pm

### MONDAY 29th -

### TUESDAY 30th APRIL

Form 6 Bikeability

### TUESDAY 30th APRIL

Forms 1 and 3 School Trip to Colchester Castle

### FRIDAY 3rd MAY

FOMCS Bingo Night 7.30pm

### MONDAY 6th MAY

Bank Holiday

### TUESDAY 7th MAY

Class Photographs

### THURSDAY 9th MAY

Form 5 Class Assembly

### TUESDAY 14th MAY

Grandparents' Day

### THURSDAY 16th -

### FRIDAY 17th MAY

Form 4 Danbury Outdoors

## STARS OF THE WEEK



KS1 Lottie Gremi

KS2 Elizabeth Neall



KS1 Ariya Mahar

KS2 Harriet Hawes



KS1 Autumn Wilkinson

KS2 Zara

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Maldon Court wishes  
Sophie Want, Thomas Harvey  
and Noah Bruno Sanchez  
a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

What a wonderful week it has been at Maldon Court. Firstly, our Form 6 children have been on their week long residential trip to PGL, Bawdsey Manor, based in Suffolk. The children have had the most wonderful time and have completed activities that they may never have thought possible! This includes rafting, climbing and zip wires to name but a few. They have all had a fantastic time and I am sure everyone will sleep well at the weekend – staff included! A big thank you to both Mr Coyle and Mrs Summers for giving up their time to take Form 6 away for the week. It is really appreciated by everybody. The most important thing is that the children have had the best time and have wonderful memories that will last a lifetime. Please follow this [link](#) to see our brilliant photos of PGL.

On Tuesday, our Key Stage 2 children took part in the Maldon District Cross Country tournament. What an exceptional performance from each and every child. In very cold and windy conditions, our children excelled themselves. All of the children who competed put their all into the races and their commitment and dedication to our school has most certainly paid off. It was also lovely that some of our younger children then competed in year groups that were far above them as our Form 6 children were away at PGL. Congratulations to both Isabella Russell in Form 4 and Meghan Knight in Form 3 who competed in the Form 6 girls race. Not only that, but they won 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions. Well done to both girls, exceptional achievements.

This week, we have also had County Road Safety ambassadors in to school who have been presenting to both Reception class and Form 5 children and parents. These are always very helpful and informative sessions and I would like to thank parents for their continued support in attending.

Welcome to Daisy Bunce who started in Nursery this week. I know that she will love her educational journey at Maldon Court.

Finally, I would like to remind parents that Grandparents' Day is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May. The day will be upon us before we know it so please do ensure that grandparents are aware of this. It is such a special day and I am already looking forward to welcoming everyone on the day.

**NURSERY** - This week, Nursery have enjoyed the topic 'Stories' We have been sharing our favourite books and for Show and Tell this week, the children brought in their favourite stories to share with their friends. For the activity of the week, the children made collage book covers. On Tuesday the children decorated England flags for St. George's Day. We discussed the flag and the colours. The second part of this topic is 'Puppets'. Next week, the children will enjoy putting on their own puppet show and dressing up using a range of outfits and props.

*Mrs Kim Callaghan*



**PRE-RECEPTION** - Linking with our nursery rhyme topic this week, the children have created a 'Humpty Dumpty cress head'. The children followed the step-by-step instructions to plant the cress, the children then enjoyed watching it grow and were very surprised how quickly it grew. We also turned this activity into a science experiment and placed the cress heads in different places around to room to see where the cress grew the quickest, our findings were that the cress grew quickest when placed by the radiator. The children are keen to take the cress home to show their families.

*Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell*



**FORM 2** - This week, Form 2 started their new DT unit – Cooking! This year's theme is, 'Seaside Snacks'. The children had to think of healthy snacks to take on a picnic to the seaside. We decided to create our very own wrap pinwheels! The children enjoyed designing their pinwheel and adding healthy toppings! We look forward to more fantastic cooking lessons with our wonderful kitchen staff, Miss Reeves and Miss Crockett. Thank you both very much; Form 2 had a great time tasting their own tasty treats!

*Mrs Caldwell and Miss Broadbridge*



**FORM 3** - Form 3 have spent some time over the past two weeks presenting their Easter homework to their friends in class. The children were asked to research and create a presentation based on a topic of their choice. As always, Form 3 has impressed me with their effort and enthusiasm for their chosen topics. We enjoyed watching presentations about dolphins, dogs, the Romans and gemstones just to name a few! I know that I have certainly learnt a lot from the children and have enjoyed watching their confidence grow as they put their presenting skills to good use!

Miss Oxford



**FORM 5** - Form 5 had a road-tastic afternoon learning all about road safety with Lesley from Essex County Council. We learned all about the green cross code, watched a thought-provoking video and asked lots of questions. We even found out why the crossings are named after birds! Afterwards, Form 5 had a great time practising their skills by crossing nearby roads safely. Look right, look left and look right again!

Mrs Warman





**CROSS COUNTRY** - This week, children from Forms 3, 4 and 5 took part in the cross-country event held at St. Francis School field. Maldon Court set off strong in each race, ensuring a good and healthy lead! All children showed such great effort and determination to get round and finish the course. Well done to all Maldon Court runners! We had some fantastic places overall and even some 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places: Year 3 girls: Meghan Knight – 1<sup>st</sup>, Gracie May Thorogood 2<sup>nd</sup>, Year 3 boys: Lucas Day – 1<sup>st</sup>, Year 4 girls: Isabella Russell – 1<sup>st</sup>, Year 4 boys: George Fisher – 1<sup>st</sup>, Year 5 girls: Harriet Hawes – 2<sup>nd</sup>, Year 6 girls: Isabella Russell – 1<sup>st</sup> and Meghan Knight – 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**TAG RUGBY** - Last Friday, children from 3,4,5 & 6 took part in the annual tag rugby tournament at Maldon Rugby Club. After a huge downpour, Maldon Court were determined not to let the weather bother them in any way and started their first few matches with brilliant attacking and defensive plays. Both our 3/4 and 5/6 team demonstrated excellent skill and tactical awareness throughout their matches and were extremely disciplined with their understanding of the rules. Well done Maldon Court – you have made us very proud!

*Mr Coyle and Miss Broadbridge*



**PE Timetable - W/C 29th APRIL**

| Day              | Form   | Lesson        |
|------------------|--|---------------|
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | Forms 3, 4, 5 and 6  | Off site PE   |
|                  | Forms 5 and 6 Sports Club<br>To be held at All weather pitch<br>Collection at 4.15pm | Off site club |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | Pre-Reception, Forms 1 and 2   | On site PE    |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | Forms 3 and 4  | Swimming      |

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

**FOMCS** - Good Afternoon Parents. An amazing well done to our Form 1 children for their Cake Sale today! We hope the Form 6 children had a great time at their PGL trip and enjoyed wearing their leavers hoodies which FOMCS provide a donation to each year. Don't forget it's our Bingo Night next Friday (3rd May) with spaces still available. Have a lovely weekend.  
*Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.*

**MENU W/C 29th APRIL**



| Day          | Main  | Dessert                     |
|--------------|---|-----------------------------|
| <b>Mon</b>   | Crispy chicken wraps served with potato wedges and salad                      | Flapjacks or fruit          |
| <b>Tues</b>  | Roast turkey served with roast potatoes, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy | Yoghurt or fruit            |
| <b>Weds</b>  | Chilli con carne served with rice and warm tortilla chips                     | Orange jelly or fruit       |
| <b>Thurs</b> | Cheese, ham and tomato pasta bake served with sweetcorn and salad             | Lemon drizzle cake or fruit |
| <b>Fri</b>   | Brunch - sausage, bacon, hash browns and baked beans                          | Jam doughnut or fruit       |

