

# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2024

Weekly Newsletter

28th March 2024

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

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 Swimming Starts for Forms 3 and 4

MONDAY 22nd APRIL - FRIDAY 26th APRIL

Form 6 - PGL

# TUESDAY 23rd APRIL

Form 5 Road Safety Awareness

# WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL

Reception - Road Safety Awareness

### **STARS OF THE WEEK**



KSI Jacob Coyle

KS2 Lucas Chan



KSI Francesca Russell

KS2 Arthur Heath



KSI James Crowley

KS2 Eliza Cowell

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Maldon Court wishes
Eden Wilkinson, Isla Berryman,
Sebastian Venus-Bishop,
Ariya Mahar, Emily Blacknall,
Elizabeth Neall, Leon Page,
Reuben Crozier, Charlie Ashton
Mr Coyle and Mrs Fowden
a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

What a short half term this has been but what a lot we have managed to fit in. We have had class assemblies, cake sales, numerous school trips, Fellowship Afloat, Easter Hat Parades, Easter Egg hunts, charity fundraising, Parents Evening and Open Day to name but a few.

On Monday, we were delighted to start our week with our traditional annual Easter Parade. The children were welcomed into school by our very own Easter bunnies and chick who gave them all a little Easter treat. This was followed by the most wonderful assembly where children, staff and parents all celebrated the wonderful creations that the children had designed and created at home. It is always very special when we have the whole school and nursery together and the atmosphere was fantastic. As I said on Monday, in my mind all the children were winners but Mrs Norton had the unenviable task of being the Judge! Please see overleaf for the children that won for their class. Congratulations to everyone for such a wonderful morning.

On Tuesday, the children then participated in a fantastic Easter Hunt. The children all had clues that they then had to find the letters around the school. This led to a word that they had to unscramble to get their prize. This was a superb activity and the children thoroughly enjoyed it. Their shouts of excitement when they found the letters was brilliant! A special thank you to Mrs Tsai who organised all of this – it is truly appreciated by all of us.

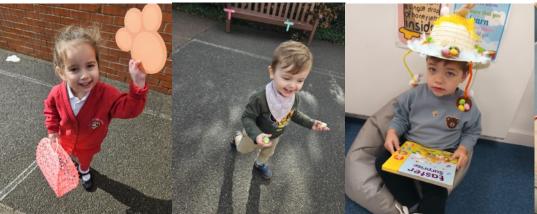
Tuesday also saw our Form 5 children embark on their trip to Fellowship Afloat in Tollesbury. The children left on Tuesday and arrived back on Thursday. They have had a wonderful time on the lightship and had such fun with the jam packed itinerary of activities that they had ready for them. This included powerboating, a tour of the lightship, high ropes, kayaking, climbing walls and dredging. As always, one of the most popular past times remains cabin time – including room inspections! Further information is on our website.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your support of Maldon Court this term. We have had such a successful few weeks and I look forward to welcoming you all back for the summer term on Tuesday I6th April. Please remember that it is full summer uniform including blazers, caps and boaters when we return. Have a lovely Easter break.

#### EASTER HAT PARADE WINNERS

Nursery	Arlo Parker	Form I	Jacob Simpson	Form 4	Mila Lopez
Pre-Reception	Eden Wilkinson	Form 2	Sofia Hayward	Form 5	Tobias Venus-Bishop
Reception	Monaé-Bléu Miller and Ronnie	Form 3	Gracie May Thorogood	Form 6	Mya Chambers

**NURSERY -** Nursery have had a lovely last week of term. We began our week with the Easter hat and egg parade. Well done to all the children that took part. Throughout the week we have enjoyed the whole school egg hunt as well as our own in Nursery. The children loved following the directions and finding eggs and chocolate to place in their basket. We decorated our own Easter Eggs and enjoyed our new story sack. This has been made with a range of props to support the story of Dilly Duck. When we return for Summer Term, our fist topic is The Hungry Caterpillar and Minibeasts. We will enjoy sharing the story and exploring a range of activities that relate to this topic. Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - The children have been learning about farm animals and their young, learning the different names of baby animals. The children have also painted fantastic farm animals including lots of detail, this has been great preparation for our fantastic school trip out to Oaksbrook Retreat which the children loved! Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell



FORM 3 - Form 3 have been impressing me with their sewing skills this half term! They have been working on the different skills required to make their own pencil cases. We spent a few lessons getting to grips with the basics: threading needles, tying knots and completing a neat running stitch. We then learnt how to sew buttons onto fabric and to secure the buttonhole with a whip stitch. The children have worked very persistently and never gave up, even if they got into a tangle! Well done Form 3- your pencil cases are fabulous. Miss Oxford





















**PE** - This week we have been using the occasional breaks in the weather to introduce our fantastic Key Stage One children to sport on the full sized pitch. Form 2 have now had two hockey lessons on the big pitch whilst Form 1 joined us today for some fun Easter themed football games as an introduction to the sports pitch. The children have had a fabulous time and amazed us with their listening skills and outstanding behaviour during a very exciting time. On Wednesday, Form 6 had a nice surprise. After a tough cross country lesson they were rewarded with a walk away from the sports pitch and over to The Prom. We had such a lovely time, playing football, playing on the Galleon and of course no trip to The Prom is quite complete without an ice cream!



**PRE-RECEPTION AND RECEPTION** - Pre-Reception and Reception had a wonderful visit to Oaksbrook Retreat on Wednesday. We got to meet the horses, sheep and chickens. We enjoyed giving them their lunch. We also went on a woodland walk and scavenger hunt around the retreat and created beautiful art with our findings. This was topped off Miss Wayman and Mrs Kennedy with a delicious picnic lunch. We all had a wonderful day!



PE Timetable -	W/C	I5th	<b>APRIL</b>	

Day	Form	Lesson	
WEDNESDAY	Forms 3, 4, 5 and 6	Off site PE	
	No Sports Club this week		
THURSDAY	Pre-Reception, Forms 1 and 2	On site PE	
FRIDAY	Forms 3 and 4	Swimming	

# Wishing you all a lovely Easter holiday Mrs E Mason - Headteacher

FOMCS - What a fabulous week we have had with all our Easter events to round up the final week of term. Thank you to everyone who has supported our activities from the Easter hat and eggs, to your donations for the Easter hunt and our guess the name of the bunny competition. We really appreciate it and hope the children had lots of fun! Have a wonderful Easter Break with your families. Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey.





	Day	Main	Dessert	
	Mon	INSET DAY		
f	Tues	Sausage rolls served with potato puffs and baked fruit		
	Weds	Hunters chicken served with rice, sweet corn and salad	Yoghurt or fruit	
	Thurs	Pasta carbonara served with garlic bread and salad	Raspberry jelly or fruit	
	Fri	Young's fish fingers served with chips, peas and salad	lce cream or fruit	

















