



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term 2021

Weekly Newsletter

30th April 2021

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 3rd MAY

Bank Holiday

MONDAY 10th - THURSDAY 13th MAY

Form 6 Bikeability

MONDAY 24th MAY

French Day

TUESDAY 25th MAY

Open Day - School in Action

TUESDAY 25th MAY

Virtual Fellowship Afloat
Parent Meeting

MONDAY 31st MAY - FRIDAY 4th JUNE

Half Term

MONDAY 7th JUNE

Children Return to School
Clubs resume

WEDNESDAY 9th - FRIDAY 11th JUNE

Form 5 - Fellowship Afloat

MONDAY 14th -

TUESDAY 15th JUNE

Father's Day Pop up Shop



Dear Parents,

We have had a lovely week with lots of focus on our outside provision and nature. FOMCS have kindly funded having chicks in the school. Form 2 and Mrs Baron have been taking exceptional care of them and all of the chicks are thriving. All of the children in the school have had the opportunity to see the chicks and have them in their classroom. We have also been incredibly lucky to have quails' eggs in the school. They have been lent to us by Mrs Hull and we were thrilled when two of the chicks hatched unexpectedly early! Both the children and staff have loved having the animals in school; what a wonderful experience.

Please find attached the school diary dates for this term. Unfortunately, as I am sure that you will understand, we have had to remove some of the events due to current Covid restrictions. These include Grandparents' Day, Reception Father's Day Afternoon and Sports Day. Please be assured that we will try our utmost to host any events that we can as and when restrictions ease. However, planning events behind the scenes takes a huge amount of time and work to ensure that they run as smoothly as they do. Depending on restrictions we are hoping to plan some inter-house and class sports competitions and we are also hopeful that we can host Prizegiving at All Saints' Church.

Finally, I am delighted that all of our clubs are up and running. As always, they are extremely popular and the range of clubs that we offer is fantastic. Just this term, we are offering Homework Prep Club, Secondary School Transition, F3 Gifted and Talented Maths, Colouring Club, STEM club, Sports Club, Chess Club and Gardening/Multi Skills Club. We are thrilled that our staff offer such a diverse range of extracurricular activities for the children and I know just how much they enjoy them.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to George Fisher in Form 1 who has been working exceptionally hard on his letter formation and independent writing. Congratulations also to Eli Wigginton who won the award for his outstanding improvement with his spellings.

Well done to Elizabeth Neall who won the Good Manners Award and to Ernest Mays and Mathilda Cowell who won the Cool to be Kind award.

★ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ★

Maldon Court wishes
Jacob Day and Eliza Cowell
a very Happy Birthday

NURSERY - This week Nursery have continued to enjoy our topic Stories, Songs and Rhymes. We have enjoyed lots of stories and rhymes. We have also been focusing on the colour blue, we set up a tuff tray with blue items for the children to enjoy. Another favourite tuff tray this week was Incy Wincy Spider! The children had to use tweezers to catch the spiders that were inside the web, it was great fun. Next week we have a new topic to enjoy – Under the Sea. The children will get to enjoy a range of activities relating to this, including learning the song: A Sailor went to Sea. For optional homework, please make a sensory bottle to bring into Nursery.
Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have thoroughly enjoyed their topic 'On the Farm' this week. It has been wonderful to hear lots of different experiences that the children have had with farms, with some children living on farms, knowing people that live on farms or visiting farms. This week we were very lucky as we had a special visit from Form 2's chicks. The children enjoyed stroking the chicks and watching them throughout the afternoon. Pre-Reception have also been talking about pigs and using cotton buds to make them all muddy! Finally, we have been practising our writing with some farm animal word writing. Our topic for the next fortnight will be 'Transport'. For our optional home activity, we would love to see you get involved with some junk modelling for example, can you build a boat? Can you make it float?
Miss Washbourne and Miss Denyer



FORM 4 - In Art lessons this week, Form 4 have been continuing their studies about the artist, Georgia O'Keefe. The children have been studying the feelings, emotions and the meaning behind her artwork. Within the lesson, the children created their own viewfinder and used this to capture their own close-up images of a flower or plant of their choice. Once back in the classroom, the children used their careful and precise drawing techniques to replicate their chosen image. The drawings look fantastic! Well done, Form 4.
Mrs Dickinson



ISI Independent Schools Inspectorate | Ofsted Outstanding Provider | Arts Council England | Artsmark Silver Award Awarded by Arts Council England | Healthy School Eco-Schools | independent schools council | FOOD HYGIENE RATING 5 VERY GOOD

FORM 2 - Form 2 DT/Science - This half term, Form 2 are being encouraged to apply their understanding about healthy eating, as well as to explore where their food comes from, how to plan a dish with consideration for the dietary needs of others and prepare a dish safely and hygienically. This learning is being delivered within the context of designing and making a dish for a party. On Friday, with support from Mrs. Reeves, we prepared a cheese and pepper sandwich. We cut, we snipped, we mixed, we spread the mixture neatly and evenly and we tasted. They looked and tasted wonderful.

CHICKS - Form 2 have had a lovely week looking after the chicks. How lucky we were to see some hatching; this usually happens when we are in bed! We have had lots of visitors to Form 2 and the chicks have visited many different classes, we never get bored of watching them.

Mrs Baron



PE Timetable - W/C 3rd May	
Wednesday	Thursday
On Site PE Lesson - Morning	
Pre-Reception	
Form 1	Form 5
Form 2	Form 6
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm	
Forms 5 and 6	Forms 3 and 4
KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 5 and 6 - Wednesday 5th May	

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
 Headteacher

FOMCS - The pictures we have seen of the children holding the chicks are lovely and we are so glad they have enjoyed watching them grow while learning at the same time. Have a great weekend. Mrs Lopez and Mrs Stevenson

MENU W/C 3rd May		
Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tues	Pasta Bolognese served with sweet corn	Shortbread or fruit
Weds	Chicken wraps served with rice and mixed vegetables	Yoghurt or fruit
Thurs	Sausages served with mashed potatoes and baked beans	Sponge cake with icing and sprinkles or fruit
Fri	Cheeseburger served with potato wedges, peas and salad	Strawberry ice cream or fruit

