



# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 2021

4th February 2022

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

### MONDAY 7th FEBRUARY

Mental Health Week

### TUESDAY 8th FEBRUARY

Dress to Express Day  
Safer Internet Day

### FRIDAY 11th FEBRUARY

Form 3 Cake Sale

### MONDAY 14th - FRIDAY 18th FEBRUARY

Half Term

### MONDAY 21st FEBRUARY

Children Return to School  
Clubs resume

### FRIDAY 25th FEBRUARY

Swimming Starts for  
Forms 4, 5 and 6

### MONDAY 28th FEBRUARY

Life Support Road Show  
Forms 5 and 6

### WEDNESDAY 2nd MARCH

KS2 Netball Tournament

### THURSDAY 3rd MARCH

World Book Day

### TUESDAY 8th MARCH

School Trip to Chelmsford Cathedral  
Forms 1 and 2



Dear Parents,

What a truly successful week it has been here at Maldon Court. On Tuesday, selected children from Form 4, 5 and 6 travelled to Colchester Rugby Club to compete in the Colchester and Maldon District Tag Rugby Championships. It was a wonderful morning of sport and the children competed against various schools within the district. After being undefeated in every single match, we won a place in the semi finals against Oxford House. After a particularly close match, we were delighted to win and had secured our place in the final. The final match was against Tollesbury and again a superb performance by the children at Maldon Court. After a nail biting game, we were thrilled that we won! District Rugby Champions! Thank you to all the parents for your fantastic support of the children; it really boosted them. A special thank you to Mr Coyle and Miss Broadbridge for their exceptional teaching which enabled the children to achieve this success. Finally, congratulations to the children. You demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship, teamwork and perseverance. We are so proud of you all.

Next week is our final week before the half term holiday and it promises to be a very busy week. It is Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Week where various fun activities are planned for the children. We are proud of the outstanding level of pastoral care that we offer to the children within the school; it is always at the forefront of our minds and we are always striving to improve. Please remember Dress to Express Day on Tuesday; a collection bucket will be on the gate that morning for the mental health charities we have chosen to support.

I would like to welcome Matthew who started in Nursery this week.

**HEADTEACHER'S AWARD** - Congratulations to Jacob Coyle in Reception who won the award this week for his excellent independent writing. Congratulations to Logan Yuill who won a Cool to be Kind award. Well done to both boys.

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ★

Maldon Court wishes  
Scarlett Abrehart, Mrs Warman  
and Mrs Bonner  
a very Happy Birthday

**NURSERY** - The children have had a wonderful week, we have been discussing Chinese New Year. To celebrate the Year of the Tiger, the children made tiger bread! They really enjoyed the process of mixing the ingredients, kneading the dough, waiting for it to cook and then finally, tasting their bread! It was a great group activity and we plan to do some more cooking next week for Food Week. The children also listened to Chinese music as they danced and joined in with some Chinese yoga! For next week's optional homework, please send in a photo of your child enjoying their favourite food. You can email these or alternatively upload to tapestry.

*Mrs Kim Callaghan*



**RECEPTION** - Reception have enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year this week. We turned our role play into a Chinese restaurant and enjoyed making our friends some delicious meals. We read the story of the Chinese Zodiac and reenacted the story of the animal race. We enjoyed taking it in turns to play the different animals and made sure we crossed the finish line in the correct order. Well done Reception!

*Miss Wayman*



**FORM 2** - This week in Geography we have been using the globes and making 'journey lines' around the world, identifying oceans and continents on our route. We also tracked the route Phileas Fogg took on his journey around the world, we managed it in less than 80 days. It was also the start of Chinese New Year this week, 'gong hei fat choy', so we made some lovely Chinese dragons to celebrate.

*Mrs Baron*



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

**FORM 3** - Our science topic in Form 3 this half term is 'Animals including Humans'. This week in our lesson we discussed the human skeleton. We discussed what our bodies would be like if we did not have a skeleton. The children thought that without our skeletons, we wouldn't be able to run, dance or play in the way that they love to do! We then had a go at creating our own skeletons using black card and art straws. We had lots of fun in this lesson as the children loved to combine science with their artistic skills.

*Miss Oxford*



**FORM 6** - Last Friday Form 6 cooked up a storm in the kitchen making fresh pizzas. The children made dough from scratch, researched pizzas and designed their very own. They had great fun putting their culinary masterpieces together and even more fun eating them!

*Mrs Warman*



**BIG GARDEN BIRD WATCH** - I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part in the Big Garden Birdwatch last weekend. I am sure you will agree it was lovely to be able to take some time to sit (with a cup of tea) and observe the birds that visit our gardens and parks.

This week the children have been discussing and analysing the data they collected in order to present their findings in a variety of ways – from pictograms and bar charts to pie charts. Being able to analyse data is a particularly important skill, showing the children's understanding of the data collected and what it means.

It was fantastic to be able to talk to the children about the different birds they observed, and some children were able to make comparisons to the data they collected last year, noting that in lots of cases there were fewer birds this year, in part due to the very windy weather.

It will be interesting to see what the national data shows once it has all been collated.

*Mrs Clark*



# FORMS 5 AND 6 RUGBY TOURNAMENT

**COLCHESTER AND MALDON TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT** - We are absolutely thrilled to announce that Maldon Court have been crowned Colchester and Maldon District Tag Rugby Champions. In a highly competitive event held at the state of the art Northern Gateway Sports Centre in Colchester, Maldon Court produced what can only be described as one of the finest sporting displays ever seen from a Maldon Court team. Some of the teams in the tournament came from schools over three times the size of ours and every school entered seriously competitive teams. Our children played for over two and half hours in matches against eleven schools. The children showed that the hard work and training they have put in really does pay off, with our fitness, tactics and passing eventually overcoming every team we came up against. We are so proud of each and every member of the team; their inspirational performance demonstrated what we have always taught our children: nothing is impossible if you work hard enough.

**Maldon Court Team** - Harry J (c), Emely, Flo C, Flo M, Alice, Vincent, James, Harry M, Darcy, Elliott, Arnold, Jacob.

Match Number/ Round	Match	Score	Won/ Lost/ Draw
1	Maldon Court V Heathlands	10-2	W
2	Maldon Court V Hamilton	5-5	D
3	Maldon Court V Wentworth	6-1	W
4	Maldon Court V St Luke's	8-1	W
5	Maldon Court V St John's	3-3	D
<b>Semi-Final</b>	Maldon Court V Oxford House	6-5	W
<b>Final</b>	Maldon Court V Tollesbury	4-3	W



**1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall**

PE Timetable - W/C 7th FEBRUARY	
Wednesday	Thursday
On Site PE Lesson	On Site PE Lesson
Pre-Reception Form 1 Form 2	Form 4
All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm	
Forms 3 and 4	Forms 5 and 6
KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 3 and 4 - Wednesday 9th February - Collection at 4pm	

MENU W/C 7th FEBRUARY		
Day	Main	Dessert
<b>Mon</b>	Chicken and vegetable stir fry served with noodles	Shortbread or fruit
<b>Tues</b>	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrots, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
<b>Weds</b>	Bacon, pea and cheese pasta served with garlic bread and salad	Orange jelly or fruit
<b>Thurs</b>	Pasta bolognese served with sweet corn and salad	Apple crumble and custard or fruit
<b>Fri</b>	Chicken burger served with curly fries, peas and salad	Waffles and chocolate sauce or fruit

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

**FOMCS** - We are excited to be able to support the schools Mental Health Awareness Week and will be selling bags of Haribo heart sweets for the children to enjoy. In addition, our next Cake Sale will be held by Form 3 on Friday 11th February. Please refer to ParentMail for more details on these fundraising events. Have a lovely weekend.  
 Mrs Tsai and Mrs Jeffrey

