



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL
Weekly Newsletter

Spring Term 2021

4th March 2022

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

TUESDAY 8th MARCH

School Trip to Chelmsford Cathedral
Forms 1 and 2

FRIDAY 11th MARCH

Academic School Reports
Sent to Parents

TUESDAY 15th MARCH

Parents' Evening 3:40-6:00pm

WEDNESDAY 16th MARCH

Form 5 Netball Tournament
Colchester High

THURSDAY 17th MARCH

FOMCS Meeting 8.45am
Oakhouse

THURSDAY 17th MARCH

Parents' Evening 5:00 - 8:00pm

FRIDAY 18th MARCH

Comic Relief - Red Nose Day
Form 2 Cake Sale

FRIDAY 18th MARCH

KS2 Tag Rugby Tournament
Drapers Farm

MONDAY 21st and TUESDAY 22nd MARCH

Mother's Day Pop up Shop

TUESDAY 22nd MARCH

Forms 3 and 4 School Trip
Colchester Zoo



Dear Parents,

What a fantastic week we have had here at Maldon Court. World Book Day on Tuesday was a resounding success. It was a really special day and the children thoroughly enjoyed dressing up, having their whole school Roald Dahl themed lunch and participating in all of the activities that their teachers had planned. I would like to say a special thank you to our wonderful Midday Team who work tirelessly behind the scenes each and every day to ensure that our children are happy, safe and enjoy their lunchtimes. It was a brilliant day, thank you!

On Monday, our Form 5 and 6 children participated in the Life Support roadshow. This was to teach them key skills about first aid and how to potentially save someone's life. The children were superb, acted maturely and I could see that they all gained lots of valuable information that they could use in the future.

On Wednesday, our Form 6 children competed at the Colchester Consortium High Five Netball tournament. It really is wonderful to get back to competitive sport and our children are well trained and prepared for such events. We were thrilled that we have reached the finals! Thoroughly deserved Form 6 - your commitment and passion to representing the school and ensuring that you always try your best has most certainly paid off.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Sienna Crozier in Reception class who won the Headteacher's Award this week for her excellent progress with reading. Well done, Sienna. Congratulations also to Sebastian Dale who won a Good Manners Award.

Our school community is thriving as always. We now have waiting lists for the vast majority of classes with families that want their children to be part of our school. It is an absolute privilege and the children clearly demonstrate that our school is a happy, kind and harmonious environment. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support, commitment and dedication to our school.

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ★

Maldon Court wishes
Emilia Hugo, Samuel Smyth, Alfie
Hibbard and Mr Thompson
a very Happy Birthday

NURSERY - Nursery have had a fantastic fortnight enjoying the Topic: The Jungle and Rainforest. We created a Jungle in the Role Play Zone and the children were able to hunt for the animals that were hidden there. We have made animal pictures using animal print tissue, glue and paint. We had fun pretending to be jungle animals for physical time, it was a very noisy session! Our next Topic is Science, we are looking forward to trying out some experiments and turning the Role Play Zone into a Science Lab. For optional homework, please make some slime. Please take a photo of your child making and playing with the slime.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have enjoyed learning all about our teeth and toothbrushing this week, we discussed why it is important to brush our teeth twice a day and visit the dentist for regular check ups. The children used toothbrushes and toothpaste to brush the dirty areas of the pretend teeth in the tuff tray. The children have also enjoyed role play in our themed home corner which this week is a dentist.

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Hansell



RECEPTION - Reception have been exploring length in Maths this week. We used the counting cubes to measure how long the dinosaur footprints were. We also used them to measure the height of different dinosaurs. We predicted how many cubes we thought we would need and were very close with our predictions. Well done Reception!

Miss Wayman



FORM 1 - In Form 1 our RE topic this term has been about how Jesus showed friendship to his friends. We read some bible stories of how he calmed the storm, forgave his friends, and brought his friend back from the dead. We then moved onto discussing how we can show our friends good friendship like Jesus. We decided to pair up and make each other friendship bracelets. The children loved this lesson and the bracelets they all made were beautiful! What lovely friendships you all have Form 1, well done.

Miss Vaughan



NURSERY AND FORM 4 - Form 4 have been so excited to finally spend time with Nursery 2 and get to know each other before they pair up with their buddy in the Summer. On Monday, they were lucky enough to play outside with the children and on Wednesday the Nursery loved playing their favourite toys with the Form 4 children. Lots of fun and excitement was had for all the children and they cannot wait to see one another next week. It is lovely to see how they have already started forming great friendships.

Mrs Dickinson, Miss Broadbridge, Mrs Callaghan



HIGH FIVE NETBALL TOURNAMENT - On Wednesday 2nd March, Form 6 pupils competed at the Colchester Blackwater Schools High Five Netball Tournament at Thurstable School, Tiptree. Matches consisted of 8-minute games, which included high intensity netball from the very first game. Maldon Court demonstrated relentless and persistent defensive play, to stop the ball from going into the opposing team's circle. The shooters also showed incredible skill, by securing shots from the very edge of the circle! Form 6 also illustrated excellent consistency with their passing and movement down the court. After a long, rainy afternoon, Form 6 continued to push on through the rain and compete until the very last whistle, progressing through to the group stage finals! More information to come with regards to the finals. Well done Form 6 – you were all amazing!

Miss Broadbridge



LIFE SUPPORT ROADSHOW FORMS 5 AND 6

On Monday Forms 5 and 6 attended the life support roadshow to learn about first aid and how to save someone's life. We were taught by instructors about different life-threatening scenarios and what to do in them. We were taught to first assess the situation for danger, then how to phone for help and what information we would need. We were taught how to check if a casualty is breathing by listening, feeling for breaths on our cheek and looking down at their chest to see if it was rising. We also had to listen for any choking noises. We learnt that if a person was unconscious but breathing, we should put them into the recovery position. This makes sure that they will not choke should they be sick. Then, we watched a video of someone performing the recovery position and then practised on each other.

Finally, we learnt CPR which means cardiopulmonary resuscitation. CPR is where you do chest compressions to ensure the heart pumps blood around the body and rescue breathes to get oxygen into the lungs. This must not be done on a conscious or breathing casualty as it could cause further injuries.

We were also shown how to use a defibrillator which sends a shock to the heart to restart it if it has stopped beating properly. If you call 999 or 911 they will be able to tell you where the nearest defibrillator is and the code to unlock it. We enjoyed the session very much and learnt a lot about what to do should we come across an incident needing first aid.

Alice Wilson



PE Timetable - W/C 7th March

Wednesday	Thursday
On Site PE Lesson	On Site PE Lesson
Pre-Reception Form 1 Form 2	Form 1 Form 2
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 9th March - Collection at 4:30pm

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

**Mrs E Mason
Headteacher**

FOMCS - The next FOMCS meeting will be at 8.45am on Thursday 17th March at the Oakhouse, you are all welcome to attend. Form 2 will be having their Cake sale on Friday 18th March which coincides with Red Nose Day. The week after we will hold the very popular Mother's Day Pop up Shop, more details to follow.

MENU W/C 7th MARCH

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Pasta Bolognese served with sweet corn and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast pork served with carrots, broccoli, roast potatoes, Yorkshire puddings and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Sweet and sour chicken served with rice and prawn crackers	Strawberry mousse or fruit
Thurs	Sausages served with pomme noisettes and baked beans	Rocky road or fruit
Fri	Young's fish fingers served with chips, peas and salad	Ice cream pots or fruit

