



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term 2021

Weekly Newsletter

7th May 2021

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 10th MAY

Form 5 Virtual Parent Meeting
Secondary School Transition

MONDAY 10th - THURSDAY 13th MAY

Form 6 Bikeability

THURSDAY 13th MAY

Form 2 - School Trip
Danbury Country Park

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

THURSDAY 10th JUNE

Form 1 - School Trip
Danbury Country Park



Dear Parents,

I hope that everyone had a lovely Bank Holiday weekend. It has been another busy week at school and the children have all been working really hard. We are delighted to inform you that we have been able to organise school trips for the children. We know just how important it is for the children to go on these trips – it really does give them some wonderful school memories. Form 6 will be going on their PGL trip in July, Form 5 are going ahead with Fellowship Afloat in June and Form 4 are going on their residential trip to Danbury Outdoors in June. In addition to this, the teachers have been working to secure other class trips and at the moment we have Form 1 and Form 2 booked on a local school trip. Others are in the pipeline! We have always been determined to ensure that the children are affected as little as possible by the current situation and I do believe we have achieved this at Maldon Court.

You may have read the letter yesterday regarding our new library initiative. We have had a fantastic response already and everyone is really excited about it. Thank you to the parents who have already bought a book – please remember to say who it is from as we are busily preparing some wonderful labels to stick in the book from the people that have donated. What a wonderful legacy to leave for the school. [Our wish list can be located here.](#)

Finally, as soon as the class photographs are available we will inform you immediately. A couple of class photos need to be retaken and they are coming back in on Tuesday. As soon as we are happy with the photos, they will be available for you to purchase and all information will be given to you.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Elijah Hawes in Form 4 who won the award this week for his outstanding creative writing and to James Hull in Form 3 for taking good care of and educating his class about the quails. Well done to Sophia Nguyen who was awarded the Good Manners certificate and Zoe Hull and Addie Beckett who achieved the Cool to Be Kind Award.

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ★

Maldon Court wishes
Finley Ashworth, Miss Crockett and
Miss Hall a very Happy Birthday

NURSERY - This week Nursery enjoyed a new topic, Under the Sea and Water. We have had fun exploring our Under the Sea tuff tray, the children loved playing with the Happyland people, making them dive into the sea with the many sea creatures we added. The children all enjoyed making an under the sea painting and collage. Thank you to the children that have been involved in Show and Tell, the day is announced on Tapestry each Friday for the following week. We have also been focusing on the colour 'red'. Next week, this topic continues; for optional homework please make a sensory bottle to bring into Nursery.
Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have been very welcoming towards Mrs Summerskill for her first week back at school. We have been enjoying the topic 'transport' which we will continue next week as well. Whilst completing some transport activities, we have engaged in conversations about what transport we have used in the past including planes, trains, buses, and cars. Staff have also loved hearing about some of the holidays the children have been on before! As an optional home activity can you use different junk modelling materials to make a mode of transport of your choice?
Miss Washbourne and Mrs Summerskill



FORM 2 - Form 2 have been following and writing instructions. We followed instructions to make grass heads and then wrote the instructions to go with them. We used some lovely time connectives, imperative verbs and adverbs. Then we made some fat balls for the birds but this time we wrote the instructions independently. I was very pleased that so many of us remembered our headings and subheadings and wrote clear command sentences.
Mrs Baron



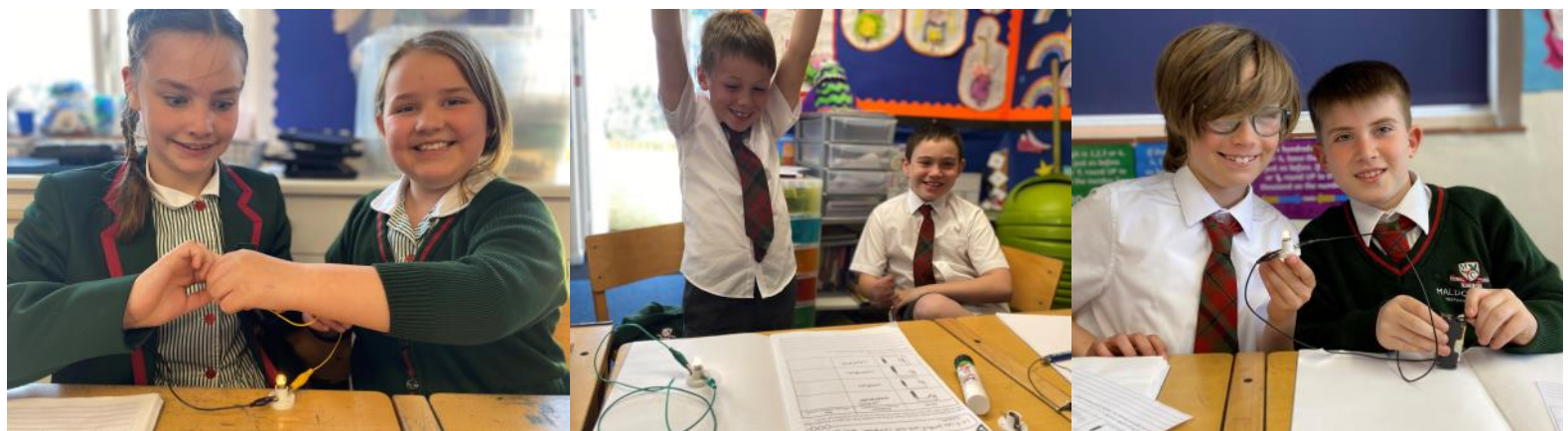
FORM 3 - Form 3 were so lucky to have some special visitors last week. Mrs Hull and James kindly gave Form 3 the opportunity to watch 28 quail eggs incubate, hatch, and grow for 3 days. We had some great discussions about how you tell the difference between fertile and infertile eggs and James also told us so many interesting facts about quails themselves. Very surprisingly, we had 2 hatch a day early and in total saw 10 hatch and grow, which is a fantastic percentage! Form 3 absolutely loved this experience and all the cuddles that came with it.

Miss Vaughan



FORM 4 - This week, Form 4 have been learning about what makes a complete electrical circuit. First, the children learnt about how circuits can be 'incomplete' or 'complete'. Next, the children had to predict whether the circuit cards they had been given, were incomplete or complete circuits. After the prediction stage, the children tested their circuits to determine the results. Form 4 had great fun using the various circuit components and are looking forward to their next lesson on conductors and insulators.

Miss Broadbridge and Mrs Dickinson



COLOURING CLUB - We have started a drop in colouring club for the children and it is proving to be very popular. The children have been producing some beautiful pictures and colouring in. In addition to Wellness Club, this is a calm, relaxed club where the children can show off their creativity.

Mrs Wilkins



RECEPTION AND FORM 6 - With the weather improving Form 6 and Reception have started to have a socially distanced buddy time outside, rather than over zoom as the children were missing that individual time spent together. This week Natasha in Form 6 had chosen the Animal Boogie to read to Madeleine, her Reception buddy. They had a wonderful time acting out each of the animals, so we decided to do this as a class. Mrs Bradford read the story and both Form 6 and Reception had a fabulous time being penguins, elephants and all manner of other animals. Form 6 are excitedly planning what "active book" we can share with their buddies next week!

Mrs Bradford



PE Timetable - W/C 10th May

Wednesday		Thursday	
On Site PE Lesson - Morning			
Pre-Reception			
Form 1		Form 3	
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 12th May 3.30 - 4.30pm			

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - We love the new library initiative that the school are organising and we plan to support them where possible, we are looking forward to the result. We're also planning on having some new playground equipment delivered to the school next week that we know the children will enjoy. Have a great weekend. *Mrs Lopez and Mrs Stevenson*

MENU W/C 10th MAY

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Chilli con carne served with rice, warm tortilla chips and salad	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Roast gammon served with roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Yoghurt or fruit
Weds	Sausage rolls served with pomme noisettes and sweet corn	Strawberry jelly or fruit
Thurs	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread and salad	Chocolate mud pie or fruit
Fri	Fish cakes served with herbed potatoes, peas and salad	Chocolate mousse or fruit

