



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2020

Weekly Newsletter

9th October 2020

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 12th OCTOBER

Conker Competition

TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER

Flu Immunisations

FRIDAY 16th OCTOBER

Half Term

MONDAY 19th - FRIDAY 30th OCTOBER

Half Term

MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

Children Return to School
Clubs Resume

SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER

11+ Examination

MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER

11+ Examination

TUESDAY 10th NOVEMBER

Individual and Sibling Photographs

TUESDAY 10th NOVEMBER

Parent's Evening
Telephone meeting

THURSDAY 12th NOVEMBER

Parent's Evening
Telephone meeting

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ★



Dear Parents,

The children have enjoyed a wonderful week at school. Thank you to everyone who has very kindly brought in Harvest donations this week. We really are delighted with the kindness and generosity of our parents and children; it is lovely to see that our children always want to help those who are less fortunate than ourselves. All donations will be distributed to local organisations that help the needy and elderly in the Maldon and Dengie areas.

Maldon Court has been determined to ensure that in these uncertain times for us all, that the children continue their education as they always have done. Therefore, we have worked hard to get clubs running again, to provide Breakfast and After School care for everyone and to continue our Homework club. In addition to this, many classes have been going out on their local school trips. Over the past two weeks, Nursery, Pre-Reception, Reception and Form 2 have visited our local parks and Forms 3 and 4 have enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Prom. The children have been a credit to the school as always and it is wonderful that they are participating in day to day school life.

Finally, I am pleased to say that our whole school 'Marbles in the Tin' is progressing nicely already this term. The Marbles in the Tin is a whole school initiative that we have had in place for many years. If any child is spotted by a member of staff being kind and caring to others, displaying lovely manners, is polite and helpful and is generally displaying the standards and expectations of Maldon Court, the child will put a marble in the tin in my office. Once that tin is full, the children can enjoy the Fun Day organised by Form 6 at the end of the school year. Luckily, our children are so good, that every year the Fun day has gone ahead! Well done to all children who have added a marble into the tin this year!

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Harper Kirby in Reception class who won the award this week for her exceptionally kind and caring nature to the children in her class. Congratulations also to Scarlett Abrehart in Form 4 for her excellent effort in all subjects.

Maldon Court wishes - Jessica Jones,
Aiden Tai and Alex Willey
a very Happy Birthday

NURSERY - The children in Nursery have loved our topic People who Help us. At the beginning of the week we made some very important buildings out of recycled boxes. The children painted a school and an ambulance, police and fire station. The children then enjoyed playing with the appropriate vehicles with the buildings. We also enjoyed some colour matching. The vehicles also got a little 'tied up' in the tuff tray, so we had to practise our cutting skills to cut them free! We also enjoyed some obstacle courses for our physical time this week, a firm favourite was using the hose to put the 'chalk' fire out in the mini tuff tray. Next week our topic is Our Local Community. For optional homework, please send in a photo of your child with family or friends enjoying something in the local community.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have enjoyed learning all about our 'Harvest' Topic this week. We have been watching some interesting 'From Farm to Fork' videos which have raised plenty of class discussion. They have used some of the vegetables that we have been researching such as carrots, parsnips and cucumbers to create colourful vegetable prints.

Miss Washbourne and Miss Denyer



RECEPTION- Reception have been busy sowing seeds in our nature garden. We planted cauliflower, spinach, lettuce, and spring onion seeds. We also planted some daffodil and tulip bulbs ready for the spring. We discussed that flowers and plants need sunlight and water to grow. We are looking forward to looking after our nature garden and watching our vegetables and plants grow in the months ahead.

Miss Wayman



FORMS 3 AND 4 - Forms 3 and 4 had a fantastic trip to JC Party Pets on Monday. The children were very lucky to meet all of the animals at the farm and learn interesting facts linking with our science topics. James, our zoo keeper, let us pet all of the animals and it was great to see most of the children (and teachers) facing their fears and holding the snakes and spiders. The children were an absolute credit to Maldon Court and their behaviour was phenomenal. We had a lovely end to our trip with Miss Broadbridge playing some fantastic games with the children. Well done Form 3 and 4.
Miss Vaughan and Miss Broadbridge



FORM 4 - Form 4 have enjoyed completing their first Genius Project. This week, the theme has been 'Oceans and Seas'. The children were then able to choose their own specific topic and then research further information. After the information had been gathered, the children then produced their projects. We had many different types of projects that included, PowerPoints, fantastic models and information fact files. Form 4 thoroughly enjoyed delivering their presentations and reflecting on their own and each other's work. I am overwhelmed by the fantastic effort that Form 4 put into their presentations and I am looking forward to seeing the next Genius Projects. Well done Form 4.
Miss Broadbridge



NSEA – The children that represented the school at the NSEA competition last weekend did very well. Lottie Lamont and Mila Lopez rode brilliantly in their cross poles class; Mila achieved a clear round and went on to win 1st place in the Grassroots 40cm jumping class. Sunday was equally as brilliant, all younger riders competed in the Grassroots Intro B dressage class and achieved the following: Eliza Cowell, 2nd, Mila Lopez, 4th and Tobias Venus-Bishop a well-deserved 6th for his first ever show! Finally, a truly excellent result from Mathilda Cowell winning 1st place in her Grassroots Prelim class.

Given that the weather was far from pleasant, the children worked so hard without complaint and all points will be awarded to the school. Well done to all competitors, we are very proud of your achievements.

Mrs Lopez



PE Timetable - W/C 12th October

Wednesday

Thursday

On Site PE Lesson - Morning

Pre-Reception

Reception

Form 1

Form 3

Form 2

Form 4

All Weather Pitch Lesson: 1-3pm

Form 5

Form 6

KS2 Sports Club at the all-weather pitch for children in Forms 5 and 6 - Wednesday 14th 3.30 - 4.30pm

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs E Mason

Headteacher

FOMCS - We are very pleased to be working with the Eco Committee and would encourage everyone to join us in supporting the children's plan to help save the bees. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank those that do purchase a pot and seeds, FOMCS has missed a great deal of fundraising this year and every little helps. And finally, we'd like to apologise for having to hold our AGM in such an unusual fashion next week; the situation is out of our control, but we will ensure the minutes of the meeting are readily available to anyone who would like to read them.

Mrs Lopez

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

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	Macaroni cheese served with garlic bread and salad	Chocolate mousse or fruit
Thurs	Chicken goujons, pomme noisettes, peas and salad	Orange jelly or fruit
Fri	Brunch - sausage, bacon, hash browns and baked beans	Doughnuts and chocolate sauce or fruit

