



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term 2019

Weekly Newsletter

12th July 2019

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

FRIDAY 12th JULY

School Reports
Report to Parents
Final Swimming Session for Forms 4 - 6

TUESDAY 16th JULY

FOMCS Fun Afternoon

FRIDAY 19th JULY

Prize Giving

School Closes at 12.00pm

No ASC or CLUBS for main school
ASC for PR and Nursery is available until 5pm

WEDNESDAY 28th - FRIDAY 30th AUGUST

Form 5 - 11+ Sessions

TUESDAY 3rd and

WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

INSET Days

THURSDAY 5th SEPTEMBER

Children Return to School
No clubs this week

MONDAY 9th SEPTEMBER

No clubs this week

FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

Swimming starts for Forms 1-3

MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

Clubs Start

FRIDAY 20th SEPTEMBER

Jeans for Genes day



Dear Parents,

I am delighted to say that Transition Day was a success on Monday. All of the children had a fantastic day in their new classrooms with their new teachers and they all seem very excited to move up into their new class in September. Thank you to all of the parents who came to the transition meetings that afternoon, I hope that you found it informative.

On Tuesday, we had our Annual Fun day which is run and organised by our Form 6 children. The Fun Day can only take place if the children manage to fill up their school marble tin over the academic year. The marble tin is in my office and if children are seen to be displaying exemplary manners, kindness and respect to others they put marbles in the tin. Once it is full, the children are rewarded with their Fun Day. The children display such consideration to others that they have always managed to fill up the tin in time for their Fun Day!

Congratulations to the 23 children in Form 2 and Form 3 who received the results of their ESB examinations this week. The children surpassed themselves with their results and achieved a 100% pass rate. They achieved 6 Merits, 13 Merit Plus and 4 Distinctions. Well done to everyone for all of their hard work.

TTROCKSTARS - Our TT Rockstars initiative has been a huge hit with the children. They have shown tremendous improvements with their times tables recall over a relatively short period of time. On Tuesday, the children in each class who had achieved the most improved time, who had earned the most coins through practice and who had the quickest time won the opportunity to have a VIP 'jamming session' with Mr Acton and lunch with myself. A special congratulations to Harrison Farr and Hugh Crozier who have achieved the coveted Rock Hero status. To achieve this badge the children need to answer 60 questions or more correctly in a minute. Well done Harrison and Hugh. Keep up the hard work everyone.

NURSERY - Nursery have enjoyed their farming topic this week. We created a farm in the tuff tray and added soil and oats. The children loved the sensory experience and playing with the farm animals in this way. We also made an udder out of a glove and added watered down milk, the children were interested to have a go at milking our cow. Next week our optional homework as our topic continues is to bring in a photo or a picture of a farm animal.

Mrs Kim Callaghan



RECEPTION - Reception have been learning about old and new toys and the differences between them. This week, we made our own 'Cup and Ball' toy. We made them with a paper cup, string, Sellotape and foil. We enjoyed decorating the cup with beautiful patterns and were excited to catch the balls in the cups.

Miss Wayman

FORM I - This week, Form I took part in a science investigation about minibeasts. The children had to design their own 'Bug Hotel' and explore how different types of minibeasts live. The children used flowerpots, dried leaves, twigs, bark and a spoonful of sugar to create their hotels. We are looking forward to finding out who has visited!

Miss Broadbridge



FOMCS SILVER TRAIL - On Friday 5th July FOMCS came in to school to help the children lay out all the silver coins in the letters MCPS written on the school playground. The children raised £406.90, this money will go to pay for an all school fun afternoon on Tuesday 16th July. Mr Sausage, a children's entertainer will be coming in to school to do an ensemble of 'The Greatest Showman' followed by a magic show. There will be an ice cream van on site to give every child a treat after their lunch.



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FORM 6 FUN DAY

Form 6 had a very eventful week attending High Ropes on Monday quickly followed by hosting the school's annual fun day on Tuesday. Working in pairs or groups of three, the children planned activities. These included an obstacle course, treasure hunting, code breaking, water pistol aiming, 21 Hide, stop motion and finally a game of dodgeball. They worked exceptionally hard planning each activity and quickly realised how much energy teaching each year group requires. They were brilliant and I am extremely proud of each and every one of them.

Mrs Fleming



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FORM 5 - This week has been a busy week in Form 5. The children have been investigating air resistance. They have been looking at the different materials, shapes or sizes of parachutes to find out which is the most effective in slowing the fall of the object i.e. increasing air resistance. The children have worked a lot this year on increasing their ability to write up an investigation, discuss variables and analyse the results (including drawing graphs to display their results). In maths they have been revising various topics and with Mrs Fleming (during transition day) have created some lovely Pie charts to show how they would like their days split up. The majority of the class have recently sat an internal mock 11+ or entrance exam paper. All children who sat the second 11+ mock improved their results from the first mock. All children sitting their first entrance exam style mock excelled themselves and found the experience invaluable. Keep up the hard work over the Summer Form 5.... you have been fabulous this year!

Mrs Bonner



HEALTHY SCHOOLS COMPETITION - The Healthy School Committee are running a competition, in aid of the British Heart Foundation, to design an A4 poster on Keeping Healthy. Entries cost £1 and there will be a prize for the best Early Years, KSI and KS2 poster. All completed posters need to be in school by Wednesday 17th July.

FAREWELL - This week we bid a sad farewell to a truly dedicated member of our school staff. Mrs Carole Prout, our school cleaner, has cleaned the school every evening for 13 years. She has worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure our school is clean and tidy. She has worked through every holiday and has most recently painstakingly restored the wooden benches in our playground to the bright rainbow benches we now have. Carole is leaving us due to ill health and we will all miss her valued contribution to our school. We said thank you in a whole school assembly on Thursday and presented her with a beautiful book the children had all created for her.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - Please can all Class Rep nomination forms please be handed in to the school office.

SILVER TRAIL - Thank you to all the children who brought in their silver coins for the Silver Trail. You raised £406.90—The class that raised the most was Form 1 who received £25 to buy games for wet play. Individual class winners were awarded their prizes in assembly this week.

AGM - The next AGM meeting will be September 18th at 2pm, the venue is to be confirmed. At the AGM all class reps and chair person will be voted in for the next academic year.

FORM 6 HAVE CHOSEN THIS WEEK'S MENU

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Chicken burger and cheesy chips served with salad	Apple crumble and custard or fruit
Tues	Chilli con carne served with rice, warm tortilla chips and sour cream	Arctic roll or fruit
Weds	Cheese and ham pizza served with curly fries and salad	Pancakes and chocolate sauce or fruit
Thurs	Brunch (sausage, bacon, hash brown and beans)	Cinnamon/Jam doughnuts or fruit
Fri	Prize Giving - Main School Closes at 12pm	

