



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term 2018

Weekly Newsletter

15th June 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

MONDAY 18th JUNE

Form 3 & 6 Trip to Sandford Mill

TUESDAY 19th JUNE

Form 5 Taster Day at Plume Academy

WEDNESDAY 20th JUNE

Form 4 & 5 Trip to Henry Moore Garden

FRIDAY 22nd JUNE

Reception Cake Sale 3.25pm

WEDNESDAY 27th JUNE

ESB Examinations Forms 2 & 3

THURSDAY 28th JUNE

Form 2 Class Assembly
Form 6 Fun Day in School

FRIDAY 29th JUNE

Sports Day

SUNDAY 1st JULY

FOMCS Family Fun Day

WEDNESDAY 4th JULY

Nursery Teddy Bear's Picnic
2.30pm

FRIDAY 6th JULY

Nursery & Pre-Reception Cake Sale
3.25pm

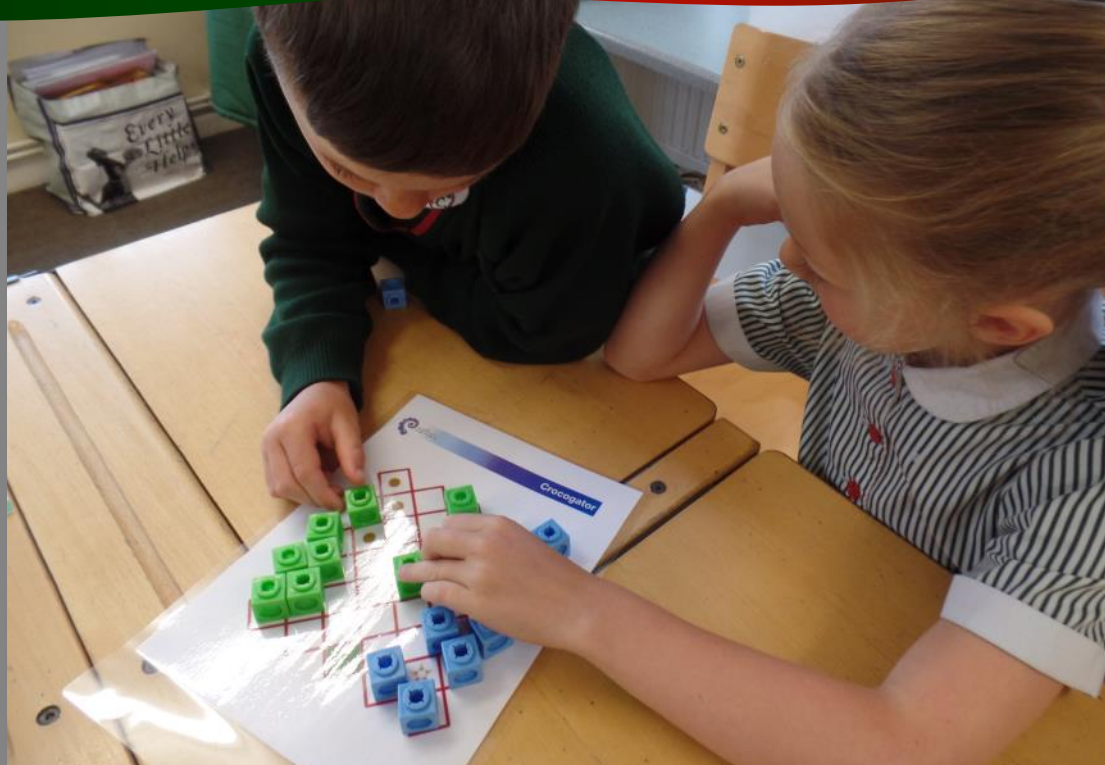
MONDAY 9th JULY

Transition Day

FRIDAY 13th JULY

Prizegiving 9.30am All Saints' Church
Last Day of Term. School and Nursery
official close time 12.00pm

No ASC or Clubs



Dear Parents,

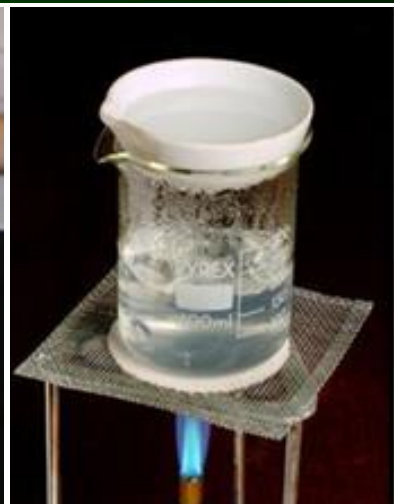
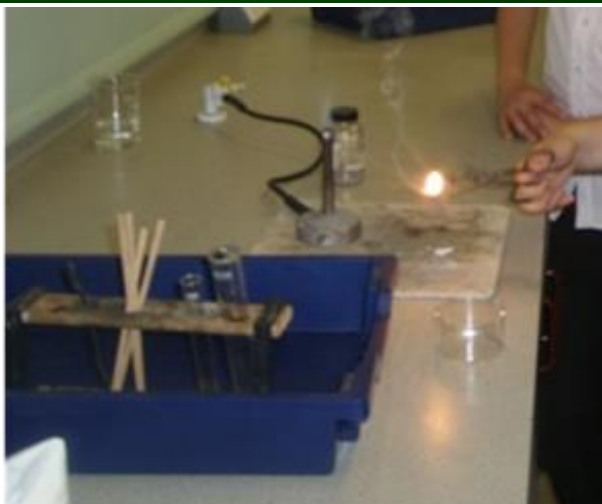
Welcome back to the last half of the summer term and with only 4 weeks to go until the summer holidays, we are looking forward to an action packed few weeks. Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful swimming squad (and their parents) for giving up their last Saturday of the half term to represent the school at the Mid Essex Schools Swimming Gala. Our school was by far the smallest team there and we finished in a superb 2nd position! To beat schools such as New Hall, Elm Green, Widford Lodge and St Cedds in the coveted squadron relay was phenomenal! A result that we are rightfully exceptionally proud of. Congratulations to Izzy Gill, Emelia Wilson, Alice Wilson, Giselle Kitasoboka, Louis Davison, James Bonner, Henry Tallowin, Isaac Wigginton and Toby Wilson for their superb effort.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Nursery manager, Mrs Kim Callaghan who started with us on Monday. We are delighted to have Kim as part of the Maldon Court staff team and know that she will be made welcome by everyone in our school community. Kim has many exciting and innovative ideas for the nursery which we look forward to seeing implemented.

The Father's Day pop up shop has been extremely popular this week. Thank you to FOMCS for providing such a fantastic shop with some wonderful gifts. The children thoroughly enjoy choosing their presents and card for their dads. I would also like to say thank you to the Adkins family who have kindly donated some beautiful personalised Maldon Court cushions for the Form 6 common room. The children absolutely love them and they look fantastic. Thank you very much for your generosity.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Alice Wilson who won the award this week for her outstanding effort at the Essex swimming gala. Well done Alice.

FORM 6 SCIENCE- This week Form 6 had the brilliant opportunity of having their first of 3 science mornings at the Plume. We have worked hard to arrange some time for Form 6 at The Plume so that they can have a taste of science at Secondary school, use more scientific equipment and experience the laboratory. Form 6 all behaved impeccably and were complimented on their behaviour. I think the Chemistry teacher really enjoyed teaching such a super class. This week's session was Chemistry based. First the class were taught about some of the aspects of lab safety and then how to use a light a Bunsen burner safely. All children then lit the Bunsen burners themselves. Once they had all had a go at this we reacted magnesium in the flame. Magnesium burns with a bright white light so the children had to take care not to look directly at the flame. We then separated pure salt from Rock salt, using filtration and evaporation. Every group successfully extracted the pure salt. We are really looking forward to our next session which will be Biology based.



MATHS CLUB - This week in Maths Club the children have been developing their strategic thinking skills. They played a game of 'Crocogators' which is similar to draughts. The two players (Crocodiles & Alligators) had to successfully capture the 3 islands in the middle of the board without being taken by the other player. This game encouraged the children to think about the moves they were planning to take, how they were going to



successfully capture their opponents and claim the 3 islands. These skills enable the children to think carefully about the outcome and how they were going to reach their target, all of these skills are important when problem solving in Maths.

FORM 1 - This week, Form 1 have been looking at different fabrics in Design & Technology and have been discussing why various fabrics are used for different things. Form 1 also learnt how to complete a running stitch with a needle and thread. Form 1 thoroughly enjoyed making and designing patterns!



WALLED GARDEN -

This week we had an official visit from the Maldon in Bloom committee to judge our garden, we will not know how we have done until next week, but they were pleased with the progress we have made. Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the up-keep of the garden, pupils for growing, planting and caring for plants, teacher's for making time to take their classes to the garden,



Gardening Club for weeding and watering, Mrs. Head, Mrs. Symons and Mr. and Mrs. Logie-Simpson for helping so much with the club and Mr. B for strimming, mowing and tidying; it has been a real group effort. At the end of term, we will have a visit from Anglia in Bloom, so we still have lots to do. On that note, we have just put in a small wildlife pond, so if anyone has any expertise they can share in that area please let us know.

PE - Another fantastic week of sport here at Maldon Court. We were extremely excited to welcome Julie an Olympic badminton player and Commonwealth games gold medallist, who taught differentiated specialist lessons for Forms 1,2,3&4. Flyers were given out to the children regarding community badminton sessions for children at the Sports Centre in Danbury on a Monday after school.



Next week's menu:



Have a lovely weekend and Happy Father's Day.

Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS—Our Father's Day Pop Up Shop was a bit hit with the children, we hope the dads enjoy the gifts chosen for them. Tickets for our Family Fun Day will be on sale next week make sure you buy them early as you will save money by buying them in advance. We are still looking for volunteers to help us on the day; even if you could spare half an hour on the day this would be greatly appreciated. Thank you

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Homemade meatballs in a tomato sauce served with pasta and salad	Flapjacks Or Fruit
Tues	Chicken fajitas served with salsa, guacamole and soured cream.	Iced sponge cake Or Fruit
Wed	Roast pork, roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire pudding, gravy and apple sauce	Fresh fruit salad Or Yoghurt/Fruit
Thur	Sausage rolls, pomme noisettes and baked beans	Chocolate mousse Or Fruit
Fri	Homemade fish cakes served with mashed potatoes, peas and salad	Doughnuts Or Fruit



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