



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2017

Weekly Newsletter

17th March 2017

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

MONDAY 20th MARCH

ABRSM Exams

TUESDAY 21st MARCH

Form 2 Trip to Layer Marney Tower

WEDNESDAY 22nd MARCH

Pre Reception Mother's Day Tea 2.15 for 2.30pm start

THURSDAY 23rd MARCH

Form 2 Tag Rugby

FRIDAY 24th MARCH

Form 1 Trip to Chigborough Lakes
Kingswood Information Meeting
Form 6: 2.45pm

TUESDAY 28th MARCH

Gymnastics Club Display
3.45pm

WEDNESDAY 29th MARCH

Form 3 Class Assembly

THURSDAY 30th MARCH

Form 5 Fellowship Assembly

FRIDAY 31st MARCH

Easter Parade
Last Day of Term

TUESDAY 18th APRIL

Children return to school after Easter

THURSDAY 20th APRIL

Form 2 Class Assembly

FRIDAY 21st APRIL

Form 4 Cake Sale

THURSDAY 18th MAY

Grandparent's Day

SATURDAY 20th MAY

OPEN DAY



Dear Parents,

This week has been full of many exciting events for our children at Maldon Court. Our Nursery children have been making the most of the sunshine and have visited the Prom and Pre Reception have been busily preparing for their Mother's Day Tea next week. Meanwhile, Reception went on their trip to Wat Tyler Park where activities involved bear hunts, sensory walks and building shelters. Form 1 performed their superb St Patrick's Day assembly to their parents and the rest of the school and Form 2 went on their trip to Tesco for their farming to food trip. Forms 3 and 4 had a fantastic trip to Chelmsford Cathedral and Forms 5 and 6 were involved in World Pi Day. More details to follow later on in the newsletter. I would like to welcome Katherine Ewers to Form 4 who started with us on Tuesday. I know that her family will be made to be very welcome here at Maldon Court.

UNIFORM - In the weeks leading up to the Easter holidays, all children must still wear a hat to school. Boys should wear their school cap unless the weather is particularly cold (when the red fleece hat can still be worn). Girls can either wear their green winter hat or the summer boater. Children can either wear their duffle coats or school blazers. After the Easter holidays, all children are to wear their full summer uniform, including caps/boaters/blazers.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Blake Ashworth Leech who very deservedly won the Headteacher's award this week for his excellent approach to his learning and for his superb progress in Maths. Well done, Blake.

RECEPTION TRIP - Reception had a fantastic day at Wat Tyler Park. In the morning we went on a Bear Hunt. We pretended to be bears as we used our senses. The children visited 'Bear Island' and worked in groups to make shelters for their teddies. They followed maps to collect the items needed for a Teddy Bears Picnic. We visited a 400 year old house and were fascinated to find out their kitchen and bathroom facilities. The children were enthralled as they listened to a whistling version of the Three Bears Story. All the children were impeccably behaved as always.



GYM MATS - FOMCS have kindly supplied the school with new cushioned and vibrant gym mats. These gym mats are an excellent addition to our PE department and have already been put to good use. Thank you for your continued support of the FOMCS activities; as you can see the children really do benefit. As a result of the donation our black jigsaw style mats are now available to new homes. If you could make use of one up to ten of them please let the School Office know, these will be available for collection after the Easter Holidays.



FORM ONE CLASS ASSEMBLY Form 1 have been learning about what makes a good leader in RE. They learnt about St. Patrick and how he went to Ireland to teach the Irish people about Christianity. We timed our assembly to coincide with St. Patrick's day and the children performed a play on Thursday to the whole school and parents about the life of St. Patrick, performed their very own interpretation of 'Riverdance' and sang Irish songs which the rest of the school and Parents thoroughly enjoyed. Well done Form 1.



CLASS ASSEMBLIES - The following dates have been set aside for Form 2, 3 and 5 class assemblies.

Form 3: Wednesday 29th March. **Form 5 Fellowship Afloat Assembly:** Thursday 30th March. **Form 2:** Thursday 20th April. These all start at 9.00am.

FORM 2 TAG RUGBY - Apologies for the date error on Parentmail. The date for the Form 2 Tag Rugby is Thursday 23rd March NOT Thursday 30th March as stated on the form. If your child can not now take part, please let Mrs Bennett know as soon as possible. Sorry for any confusion.

FORM 3 & 4 TRIP - This week the sun shone for Forms 3 and 4 on their school trip to Chelmsford Cathedral. During their trip they had a wonderful Easter workshop where they took a journey about Holy Week through to Easter. The children began with mini workshops learning lots about the Easter Story and even getting to try Holy Bread, whilst filling their workbooks with stickers! The afternoon was when the children could make and design their own clay cross. We also got to learn and sing a beautiful hymn and the children sounded fantastic. To finish off this fun-filled day we ended on learning about the resurrection and reflected on the true meaning of Easter, new life.



NURSERY - Nursery have thoroughly been enjoying the sunshine this week and have been outside making the most of it. We enjoyed discovering all about how potatoes and flowers grow as we planted ours. We look forward to watching them grow as part of our Spring watch with our caterpillars. We loved the puddles that we made as we watered them more though!

SPORTS REPORT - On Thursday 2nd March, pupils from Forms 3 and 4 represented Maldon Court in the Cross Country Relay at Melbourne Park. All runners showed true grit and determination, all finishing the extremely long course. This has been a fantastic year for our Maldon Court runners. Our pupils have demonstrated great stamina and consistency when competing in every race and I am so pleased to announce that Maldon Court finished within the top 4 overall in all categories! **Overall Cross Country Results – 2016-2017:** Form 3 Boys – 3rd / 17 schools, Form 3 Girls – 3rd / 14 schools, Form 4 Boys – 2nd / 10 schools, Form 4 Girls – 4th / 15 schools. Well done Maldon Court.



Have a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason Headteacher

FOMCS - Thank you again to Form 3 for their Cake Sale last week, they raised £86.80. Form 4 Cake Sale will be on Friday 21st April. The Easter Hat Parade will take place on Friday 31st March at 2.30pm at school. The children love making their hats and parading them around the playground. Please make sure you have completed your form and returned it, with your £1 entry, to the PA Box outside Form 2 as soon as possible. If you have mislaid your form, don't worry; just pop the details on a piece of paper instead! We would also love to start collecting your donations; chocolates, wine, Easter eggs, etc. so please bring them in to school as soon as possible. Many thanks. If you require any second hand uniform please contact Samantha Bruce 07720 711027 or Julie Head 07739 297527.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Mon	BBQ Chicken, potato wedges, garden peas and salad	Iced sponge	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Tues	Chilli con carne, vegetable rice and salad	American pancakes and chocolate sauce	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Wed	Roast turkey, roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, broccoli and gravy	Homemade flapjack	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Thurs	Cumberland sausages, potato croquettes, carrot and swede batons and gravy		Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Fri	Cheese and tomato pizza, chips, and golden sweetcorn	Syrup sponge and custard	Fresh fruit or yoghurt

