



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2018

Weekly Newsletter

23rd March 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

MONDAY 26th - WEDNESDAY 28th MARCH

Form 5 Fellowship Afloat Trip

THURSDAY 29th MARCH

FOMCS Easter Hat /Egg Competition

MONDAY 2nd — FRIDAY 13th APRIL

Easter Holidays

MONDAY 16th APRIL

Children return to school
PE for Forms 1,2,3,4

WEDNESDAY 18th APRIL

Whole School Enrichment Day
NO PE

MONDAY 23rd APRIL

Class Photographs
Form 1 Cricket Competition

TUESDAY 24th APRIL

Form 3 Trip to Layer Marney Tower

WEDNESDAY 25th APRIL

Reception Road Safety Walks

THURSDAY 26th APRIL

Music Festival—Plume Academy

**MONDAY 30th APRIL—
THURSDAY 3rd MAY**

Form 6 Bikeability

THURSDAY 3rd MAY

Form 1 Class Assembly

WEDNESDAY 9th MAY

Outdoor Classroom Day

SATURDAY 12th MAY

OPEN DAY
10am - 1pm



Dear Parents,

Last weekend the Key Stage 2 parents, grandparents and friends were treated to the most amazing production of 'Mowgli and Friends'. To say that I was proud of the children is an understatement; they truly excelled themselves and it was a privilege to see how proud and confident the children were and how much they thoroughly enjoyed performing to their families. Productions like these don't just 'happen' – it is through the time, dedication and support of everyone that these events occur and I would like to thank every single person who was involved. If you would like to purchase a DVD of the event, please see Mrs Thornton (Gemma's mum).

I would like to welcome Dolly and Flo Goddard and their family to Maldon Court. Dolly has started in Form 2 and Flo in Form 1. I know that you have already made them feel very welcome and I wish them every happiness at our school.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Emelia Wilson and Izzy Bowkett-Brett who won the award this week for a superb Healthy School's presentation to teachers. Well done girls – all of the teachers were so impressed with you.

Next week, Form 5 will embark on their three night residential trip to Fellowship Afloat in Tollesbury. They will be accompanied by myself and Mrs Clark. We are very excited about the trip and look forward to all the various activities on offer for the children such as dredging, high ropes, archery and many more. Fingers crossed for sunshine!





MOWGLI & FRIENDS - The performance of 'Mowgli and Friends' was a great success! The children performed phenomenally well; modelling great confidence, clear speaking and beautiful singing. A huge thanks again to Mrs Olive, who without all of her hard work, time and effort, this would have not been possible. Thank you again to the support of parents



who helped make costumes and help with the make up on both days. Well done again to all of the children who took part and made this an unforgettable performance.

Mrs Dickinson



FORM 4 - On Wednesday, Mrs Mason, Mrs Olive and Mrs Guest accompanied 6 Form 4 children to an English Speaking Union Public Speaking Competition at Anglia Ruskin University in Chelmsford. There were 14 other schools competing and all children in the team had a specific role including a Chair, a Speaker, a Questioner, a Captain, a Poem Reader and a Management Role. The team who consisted of Bea Bonner, Ben Philips, Rosie Smith, Grace Gallagher, Hudson Williams and Alex Jones excelled themselves and spoke clearly and concisely. It was a wonderful experience for the children and we hope to enter the Form 4 class next year.



SCIENCE BOFFINS - On Monday the school celebrated British Science Week with whole school science day. We



invited the Science Boffins in to teach and inspire the children with exciting reactions, explosions, fizzes, pops and whizzes! The day started with a whole school assembly. The children found it fascinating to watch how different shaped balloons behave, how air travelling over an object (a roll of toilet tissue in this instance) affects that object, how to make "elephant's tooth paste" and watching our 'Boffin' David make dragons breath. After the assembly each class had an individual science lesson with David. Reception to Form 4 learnt about solids, liquids and gases and used Dry Ice to make ice cream. The Form 5 and 6 children learnt about polymers and how atoms are made up of protons,

neutrons and electrons. In their lesson they made slime. All in all the day was a resounding success and every child had fun learning some new science. Thank you to Mrs Bonner for organising such a fantastic educational event.



FORM I - Following on from their school trip, Form I have been investigating bird habitats. Pupils have been looking at different outdoor, natural materials in order to build their own bird's nest! Firstly, pupils used clay to make the shape



of their bird's nest and then they went out searching for various materials that would build the most comfortable and safe nest. Let's see how they got on!

FORM I & RECEPTION - Reception and Form I would like to say a big thank you to Mr Sjollema for making Tug Boats with us. The children had a fantastic afternoon assembling the boats and enjoyed painting them afterwards. It was very kind of Mr Sjollema to take the time to make the resources for the children and a fun afternoon was shared by all.



Have a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS - We are selling raffle tickets for the Easter Parade at the gate every morning and afternoon next week and are looking forward to seeing the children's decorated eggs and Easter bonnets next Thursday. Please don't forget we have lots of preloved uniform in stock if you require any for the summer term then please contact Kate Farr or Julie Head. If anyone is able to donate any more Easter Eggs we would be very grateful for them to give as prizes for the decorate an Easter Egg/Bonnet competition. Thank you to those who have already brought some eggs in and for all your support towards FOMCS.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Mon	Meatballs in homemade tomato sauce with pasta, peas and salad	Shortbread	Fruit
Tues	Sausage rolls, parmentier potatoes and beans	Banana Delight	Fruit
Wed	Roast turkey, roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire pudding, gravy and apple sauce	Fresh fruit salad	Yoghurt/ Fruit
Thurs	Homemade pizza, pomme noisettes and salad	Chocolate nests	Fruit