



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2018

Weekly Newsletter

23rd November 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

TUESDAY 27th NOVEMBER

Forms 3 & 4 Trip to Braintree Museum

THURSDAY 29th NOVEMBER

Singing Around the Tree 5.00pm
Maldon Vintage Fayre

FRIDAY 30th NOVEMBER

Forms 5 & 6 Harry Potter Trip

MONDAY 3rd DECEMBER

Forms 1 & 2 Trip to Chelmsford Cathedral

WEDNESDAY 5th DECEMBER

KS1 Party

KS2 Pantomime

NO ASC for Main School

THURSDAY 6th DECEMBER

9.30am: EYFS Nativity

PM - FOMCS Christmas Fayre

NO ASC for Main School

MONDAY 10th & WEDNESDAY 12th DECEMBER

FOMCS Pop up shop

THURSDAY 13th DECEMBER

Christmas Dinner, Christmas Jumper Day & Maldon Court's Got Talent

FRIDAY 14th DECEMBER

9.30am Carol Service

School & Nursery close at 3.30pm

NO ASC or CLUBS



Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your support last week with raising awareness of anti-bullying by the children wearing odd socks and also our Children In Need collection and the wearing of spotty headwear on Friday. Your generous donations meant that we were able to raise £160.66 for this worthwhile cause.

It is now all systems go for Christmas and the preparations for it! Our wonderful Pre-Reception and Reception children are busy practising for their Nativity which will take place at 9.30am on Thursday 6th December for their families. The rest of the school will have the opportunity to see their dress rehearsal on Tuesday 4th December. All of the other children are practising their songs and carols for our annual Carol Service and I look forward to welcoming you all to this at All Saints' Church on Friday 14th December at 9.30am. As always this will end with our traditional MCPS congregational Christmas 'house' song so make sure you learn from your children so you know the words for your 'house' verse! As always, please remember not to bring any refreshments into the church.

Next Thursday we have our annual Singing Around the Tree at 5.00pm. This is planned to coincide with the Maldon Vintage Fayre. Last year we had superb support for this event and we had an unprecedented amount of parents and children coming to sing with us. This will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies for the adults and refreshments for the children. I do hope to see many of you there.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD - Congratulations to Elliott Symons in Form 3 for winning the award this week for his excellent improvement with his handwriting and for working really hard. Well done Elliott.

NURSERY - This week Nursery have enjoyed exploring the topic of Transport and Road Safety. We have been playing with the play cars and road and have discussed the importance of crossing the road safely. This topic will continue next week. For optional homework, we would like Nursery 1 to make a picture of their favourite type of transport and Nursery 2 to complete the Road Safety Sheet that has been sent home. Thank you for being involved with our home links. Homework in Nursery is optional so please do not worry if you do not have time to complete it every week.



PRE-RECEPTION TRIP TO SEALIFE CENTRE - Pre-Reception had a fantastic time at the Sealife Centre last week, saw lots of different animals including sting rays, jellyfish, sharks and there were even some monkeys and tortoises there too! The children were very lucky to experience a rockpool encounter where they were able to learn about a starfish and even stroke its skin! We learnt that starfish have bones that live on the outside of their bodies and their favourite food is mussels!



FORM 5 - We have now finished studying WWII and the class have produced some outstanding work in their English and History relating to WWII. Since half term, they have been studying poetry and have analysed some WWII poetry. Not an easy task; but they undertook it positively and maturely and the results have been excellent. In PE they have all enjoyed the start to fencing. They happily sparred with each other and are all buzzing about the next lesson! In maths we are almost at the end of fractions. They have worked so hard to learn how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions, as well as, simplify, find equivalent and compare. They will certainly be looking forward to a rest in the fast approaching Christmas Holidays!



FORM I - This week in History lessons, Form I have been learning about early forms of travel and transport. Children discovered the various ways of travelling and how people used to travel in the past. This week, the topic focused on the Vikings and the Viking Longboat. The children had to design and craft their own Viking Longboats and then compare them to other different types of early transport. Form I had great fun creating their Longboats! Well done!



FORM 6 - Form 6 had a wonderful time creating 'Winter Master Pieces' with their buddies. They had to guide their buddy through many important skills like: sponging paint, drawing with oil pastel, cutting, sticking and decorating with matching patterns. Great fun was had by all and it was really special listening to the instructions and watching the older children working so patiently with their buddies.

RECEPTION - Reception and Form 6 Buddies have been working together to design and create a Winter snow scene and portrait. This linked with Reception's 'Weather' topic as the children had to design warm clothing for their portraits. The children worked beautifully together, and I think we have some future teachers in Form 6!



NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs E Mason,
Headteacher

FOMCS - Congratulations to Sophie Clark for winning the FOMCS Christmas Fayre cover competition. Aiden Tai came second and Sophia Harvey was a runner-up. Well done to Tobias Venus-Bishop for winning the Matchbox Challenge.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help us at the Christmas Fayre so far. We still desperately need more volunteers so even if you can give half an hour of your time it would be greatly appreciated. A big well done to Form 5 in raising £69 at last week's cake sale. Half of the money raised has been donated to Children in Need. The link below is for volunteer helpers for the Christmas Fayre.

<http://signup.com/go/fcCkFor>

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	Chilli con carne served with rice, soured cream and warmed tortilla chips	Flapjacks or fruit
Tues	Shepherds pie served with seasonal vegetables	Strawberry Jelly Or fruit
Wed	Roast beef, roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire pudding, gravy and horseradish sauce	Fresh fruit salad Or Yoghurt/ Fruit
Thur	Sausages, mashed potatoes and baked beans	Raspberry mousse Or fruit
Fri	Battered fish, chips and peas	Chocolate mud pie or fruit

