

## MALDON COURT

Spring Term 2020

preparatory school Weekly Newsletter

28th February 2020

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the website.

MONDAY 2nd MARCH Fellowship Afloat Parent Meeting 2.45pm

TUESDAY 3rd MARCH Tag Rugby - Forms 5 and 6 Drapers Farm 3.00pm

WEDNESDAY 4th MARCH Life Support Roadshow Forms 5 and 6

THURSDAY 5th MARCH World Book Day Themed Lunch FOMCS Book Sale

FRIDAY 6th MARCH Academic School Reports Issued

MONDAY 9th & TUESDAY 10th MARCH Mother's Day Pop up Shop

TUESDAY 10th MARCH

FOMCS

Danbury Outdoors Parent Meeting 2.45pm

WEDNESDAY 11th - FRIDAY 13th MARCH Fellowship Afloat Form 5

> FRIDAY 13th MARCH Form 2 Cake Sale

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

On behalf of everyone at Maldon Court we wish: Alfie, Tatum and Olivia a very Happy Birthday



Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a lovely half term break. The children have settled back into the school routine superbly and have been sharing their half term stories over the week. On Wednesday, Form 2 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Fingringhoe where they thoroughly enjoyed looking for minibeasts and pond dipping. The children behaved impeccably and were a credit to the school. Today, Form I have visited the Museum of Power in Langford where they have had a wonderful day linked into their Science topic of Light and Sound. You can read more about these trips later on in the newsletter.

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday next week. The children will enjoy a themed lunch based on a popular book. The themed lunch that we now incorporate into this day is to highlight the true meaning of what World Book Day is about which is reading and sharing books together. Children can dress up as a character from a book on this day but please do not feel that your child has to. It is entirely up to you as to whether your child dresses up or not.

Congratulations to Eli Wigginton, Ruby Procter, Harry Mason, Max Mason, Sophia Harvey, Grace Gallagher, Natasha Adkins and Lottie Lamont who all put a leaf on the achievement tree this week.

Good Manners certificates were awarded to Tatum Fleming, Jack Gower, Ava Blake, Florence Goddard, Lauren Griggs, Freya Driscoll, Florence Mee. Well done to all children.

**FORMER PUPIL NEWS** - I was delighted to hear this week that one of our former pupils and former Head Boy, Guy Ridsdill-Smith, who went on to New Hall after finishing here at Maldon Court celebrated being a Top Performer gaining 8 or more GCSEs at Grade 8/9 (equivalent to A\*). We are very proud of this outstanding achievement and know that he will continue to excel with all that he does. Congratulations, Guy.

**NURSERY** - For the first part of our Food Fortnight topic the children have enjoyed discussing their favourite foods and also enjoyed some pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. We made the tuff tray into a pancake station, the children loved the feel of the flour that was sprinkled over the pretend pancakes and play food items. The children also enjoyed some fruit tasting and tried pineapple, plums and blackberries before enjoying one of their favourite stories, The Hungry Caterpillar. This topic continues next week, for optional homework please send in a photo of your child enjoying their favourite food. *Mrs Kim Callaghan* 



Happy ancake day

> **PRE RECEPTION** - Pre Reception enjoyed celebrating Pancake Day on Tuesday this week, eating their own pancakes that they had made. The children enjoyed their pancakes with the traditional topping lemon juice and sugar. We looked at what ingredients we needed and the step by step recipe we had to follow before carrying out the 'making' altogether, taking turns to mix the batter.

> Pre Reception then completed a cut and stick activity, ordering pictures to show the step by step method we used to make our yummy pancakes! *Mrs Kennedy and Miss Washbourne*

**FORM 2** - Form 2 had a lovely day at the nature reserve. It was very cold, but that did not dampen our enthusiasm. We went hunting for minibeasts in the woods and identified different sounds, plants, trees and signs of mammals. We went into the meadow to see what we could catch in our nets, Kirsty our ranger found a lizard! We also had great fun pond dipping and trying to identify different aquatic creatures. We missed seeing an adder by only a few minutes, perhaps we were a little noisy on our approach. Thank you to Mrs. Hull, Mr. Hilton and Mrs Huett for all their help. *Mrs Baron* 



Maldon Court Preparatory School, Silver Street, Maldon Essex CM9 4QE Tel 01621 853529 email enquiries@maldoncourtschool.org Web maldoncourtschool.org or Find Us In The App Store **FORM I** - Form I have enjoyed a trip to the Museum of Power where they have been exploring their senses through finding sounds around the museum, experimenting with musical instruments and looking at how we generate sounds through our ears. The children thoroughly enjoyed experimenting with light and identifying various different light sources.



Miss Sackett

**FORM 5 WOMEN IN SCIENCE DAY** - On the 13<sup>th</sup> of February the Form 5 girls went to Felsted for a science day. There was a physics session, where we tested the properties of chocolate, a biology session, where we tested the heart rate of Daphnia when in caffeine or in alcohol and the affect of light on brine shrimp. Before the last activity that we did, which was chemistry, we tested which liquid would be ok to drink using red cabbage indicator to test acids and alkalis. We had an amazing lunch, there was so many fantastic choices. We had a great day and know that next years' By Natasha Adkins & Sophia Harvey



	PE Timetable - W/C 2nd March		
Da	Thursday	Wednesday	
	On Site PE Lesson - Morning		
Mo	F5	FI	
	F6	PR	
Tue		R	
		F2	
	All Weather Pitch 1-3pm		
	F4	F3	
We	Have a lovely weekend Mrs E Mason Headteacher		

**FOMCS** - Thank you to all the parents that have offered to help with the FOMCS Summer Fayre, your help will be greatly appreciated. On Monday next week you will receive a ParentMail regarding Mother's Day Pop up Shop for Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th March. On Thursday 5th March FOMCS will be selling books to coincide with World Book Day.

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NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Dessert

VERY GOOD

Main

	Day	I I GIII	Dessert		
	Mon	Chilli con carne served with rice, warm tortilla chips and salad.	Flapjacks or fruit		
	Tues	Roast beef served with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire puddings and gravy.	Fresh fruit salad or fruit		
co be ve br th Id	Weds	Sausage rolls served with potato croquettes, beans and salad.	Orange jelly or fruit		
	Thurs	World Book Day themed lunch.	World Book Day Themed dessert or fruit		
	Fri	Cheese, ham and tomato pasta bake served with sweet corn and salad.	Chocolate mousse or fruit		
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