



# MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2017

Weekly Newsletter

29th September 2017

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

### THURSDAY 5th OCTOBER

Form 5 & 6 Cross Country  
Melbourne Park 3.00pm

### FRIDAY 6th OCTOBER

Rugby Tournament

### MONDAY 9th OCTOBER

School In Action Open Day  
9.00am - 11.15am

### TUESDAY 10th OCTOBER

Harvest Festival; All Saints' Church  
9.30am

### FRIDAY 13th OCTOBER

Form 6 Cake Sale 3.30pm

### MONDAY 23rd OCTOBER—

### FRIDAY 3rd NOVEMBER

Half Term

### TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Flu Immunisations  
Parents' Evening: 3.45pm - 6.00pm

### THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER

Parents' Evening 5.00pm - 8.00pm

### THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER

Singing Around the Tree

### THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER

EYFS Nativity

### THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER

Children's Christmas Lunch/Maldon Court's Got Talent

### FRIDAY 15th DECEMBER

Carol Service  
School Closes at 12.00pm  
**NO ASC or CLUBS**



Dear Parents,

The start to our week has been very productive. I took a wonderful group of Form 6 children to St Peter's hospital on Tuesday where we had a very interesting and informative meeting with a lady that coordinates help for the disadvantaged elderly people and disadvantaged families in Maldon. Our children were a credit to the school and asked very pertinent questions. We left feeling that our school could make a big difference to the community in a very positive manner. Ideas that were discussed included harvest boxes, Christmas carols and buddy time with the elderly in the hospital café. This will all be discussed by the children in the forthcoming School Council meeting.

We were also delighted to welcome Rob Sefton, who leads the Maldon Food Pantry at Elim Church, Wantz Road, to our Monday celebration assembly. He explained to the children about the donations that would be very much appreciated. It was lovely to welcome him into the school so that the children had an insight into where some of our Harvest donations will go.

Finally, I would like to say well done to all the children who sat the 11 Plus at the weekend. I know what a stressful time it can be for both the children and the parents. Congratulations to everyone for all of your hard work and I hope you all had a great weekend celebrating after the exam!



**FORM 5** - This week in our DT lesson we have been making 'Mayan' masks for our display using mosaic pieces. We learnt that Mayan masks have a wide variety of uses and the importance of the masks dictated how intricate the designs on various masks were. The most sacred Mayan masks featured complex and delicate mosaics made out of jade. We carefully designed our masks but studied that masks were made for a variety of reasons and occasions. These included decorating the faces of the dead, or being worn at important events, or during battle. We are all very pleased and had great fun! They are now up on display with our own Mayan Myth!



**PRE RECEPTION** - Pre Reception have been on a nature walk to Leeches garden looking for signs of autumn as part of our autumn topic. We collected lots of items to take back to school and use in our arts and crafts, the children all had a great time!



**FORM 6** - In English Form 6 were applying their skill by playing the ESCAPE ROOM game! The children had a limited amount of time to crack codes by solving grammar questions. You had to crack all four codes and



most of the children escaped but some were not so careful! They are looking forward to the next game!

**CRUCIAL CREW** - This week Form 6 took part in Crucial Crew at Stow Maries Aerodrome. The afternoon consisted of a series of workshops which highlighted everyday dangers or risks, how they can arise and encouraged the children to discuss how to reduce or remove these risks. The workshops were based on Road Safety, Cyber Bullying, Resuscitation, Fire Safety and Park Rangers. This trip covered many aspects from our PSHEE curriculum which the children may experience in their day to day lives.





**JEANS FOR GENES -**

Once again, we would like to thank everyone for their continued support of this very worthy charity. It never ceases to amaze us how many different styles of jeans exist. Thank you for your donations, we raised £192.00. We would also like to thank



Mrs. Guest for her very generous donation of £50, she sponsored Forms 1—3 to remain silent on the journey to and from swimming on Friday; well done everyone.

**ART TRAIL -** Thank you to all the families who came to support the Maldon Art Trail last Saturday. There was a piece of work on display for each form group of the school. It was a fantastic display on the topic of ‘Food Glorious Food’. The work produced will go towards gaining the Artsmark Award. Thank you to Mrs Fleming for all her hard work in putting the display together.



**FORM 5 & 6 CROSS COUNTRY THURSDAY 5th OCTOBER -** Apologies for the mixture of locations on the Parentmail form for next Thursday. Please note that the location is **MELBOURNE PARK** not Chelmer Park as stated on the tick box. Sorry for any confusion.

**Have a lovely weekend.  
Mrs E Mason, Headteacher**

FOMCS - Thank you to those who were able to attend the meeting yesterday. Your support is greatly appreciated. The children will have been given a form for our Silver Trail Challenge this week. We are looking forward to having some fun with this as well as raising money to be put towards the purchase of a friendship bench for the playground.

Should you require any pre-loved school uniform then please contact Julie Head ([07739297527](tel:07739297527)) or Kate Farr ([07944711000](tel:07944711000)). Both ladies have kindly offered to look after the running of this on behalf of FOMCS.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Laura Randall

**NEXT WEEK'S MENU**

Mon	Sweet and sour pork with savoury rice and salad	Chocolate pudding and chocolate custard	Fresh Fruit or yogurts
Tues	Ham and tomato pasta bake, golden sweetcorn and salad		Fresh Fruit or yogurts
Wed	Roast turkey, stuffing, roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, seasonal vegetables and gravy	Jelly and mousse	Fresh Fruit or yogurts
Thurs	100% Beef burger in bun, potato wedges, peas and salad		Fresh Fruit or yogurts
Fri	Cumberland sausages, boiled potatoes, mixed vegetables and gravy	Homemade flapjack	Fresh Fruit or yogurts