



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Term 2019

Weekly Newsletter

3rd May 2019

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

MONDAY 6th MAY

Bank Holiday

TUESDAY 7th MAY

Class Photographs

THURSDAY 9th MAY

F1 & F2 school trip to Fingringhoe

SATURDAY 11th MAY

Open Day

MONDAY 13th—17th May

Form 6 PGL Trip

WEDNESDAY 15th MAY

Form 2 Class Assembly 9.00am

MONDAY 20th MAY

Grandparents' Day

FRIDAY 24th MAY

KS2 Swimming Gala

MONDAY 27th MAY - FRIDAY

7th JUNE

Half Term

MONDAY 10th JUNE

Children return to school

WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE

Reception and Form 6 - Trip to Jimmy's Farm

THURSDAY 13th JUNE

Reception - Father's Day afternoon 2.00pm



Dear Parents,

The children have settled back into school life seamlessly and are all focused and determined to succeed in class. After a couple of days out of school at their residential trip, From 5 were back to work as usual and on Tuesday they completed a mock 11+ exam in the school hall. This was set up to closely resemble what the children can expect to happen in the exams they will sit in September. The children took this very seriously and they worked extremely hard under full exam conditions. Well done.

This week Form 6 have participated in Bikeability. This is the government approved and nationally recognised award for cycle training overseen by the Department for Transport and is designed to give children the skills and confidence needed to cycle safely on today's busy roads. The children excelled themselves and even went out for rides up to 10 miles! The children have been presented with both a certificate and badge to say that they have completed the course this week. Well done to all participants.

Thank you to all parents who have kindly taken leaflets and posters to display for our upcoming Open Day on Saturday 11th May. You have been sent another letter of the timetable of the day highlighting the times that your child will need to be in school for their performance. Children must attend in full school uniform (excluding hats) and should be supervised by parents at all times on site as teachers will be involved in the running of the event. Children only need to stay for their performance. Thank you for continued support of our school.



NURSERY - The Nursery children have had another fun week enjoying the topic Stories and Puppets. Some of the children made a puppet at home and brought them in. We made stories up together for the puppets, it was great fun! We also had some bubble fun, we made bubble mixture in the tuff tray and the children took it in turns to have a bubble made over them. Next week our new topic is Under the Sea and Water. For optional homework please make a sensory bottle to bring to Nursery.
Mrs Kim Callaghan

PRE-RECEPTION - Pre-Reception have enjoyed engaging in a variety of activities linking with our new topic this week 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. The children have created a fantastic collage showing their interpretation of the story by sticking on the various different aspects. They have also used the paint program on the school tablets to paint their very own beanstalk, the children painted some brilliant pictures and it was great to see such a variety which we compared during circle time.
Miss Cottiss & Miss Sackett



RECEPTION - Minibeast Hunt - Reception's topic this half term is 'Minibeasts'. On Monday, Form 6 joined their Buddies in Reception for a Minibeast Hunt. We discussed what habitats minibeasts live in and where we might find them. We searched high and low, from the grass to the trees. We were amazed to find a variety of minibeasts including spiders, ants, flies, earwigs and lots of woodlice living under the logs in the Fitness Trail!
Miss Wayman



FORM 2 - Our science focus this term in Form 2 is 'Plants'. The children have been discovering what each property of a plant is and made a smart, factual, illustrated flipbook. Also this week the children made their cress heads and will be learning about the life cycle of a plant.
Mrs Dickinson



FORM 6 - Form 6 have had a very busy week completing their Bikeability levels 1 and 2. Each Bikeability level helps improve their cycling skills on and off road. Levels 1 and 2 took them through the basics of balance and control, all the way to planning and making an independent journey on busier roads. They were really surprised to complete an ten-mile cycle on their final day and showed excellent perseverance mastering the skills they found challenging.
Mrs Fleming



FORM 6 - In History Form 6 have been learning about the Ancient Benin Kingdom. The Benin people were experts at casting exquisite bronze plaques and statues. The children explored the controversy over whether Britain was right to take these bronzes from The Benin Kingdom and that many people believe that the Museums should follow Frances' example and return the bronzes to Nigeria. The class were very divided in their opinions and debated their views passionately in class.
Mrs Fleming



PE PROVISION - We would like to congratulate Mr Beal, our PE coach. The quality of Mr Beal's PE lessons was assessed last week by an examiner independent of the school and Premier Sport; the company that employ Mr Beal. Mr Beal was graded as exceptional in all areas by the assessor, an ex-Ofsted inspector. Mr Beal has consistently delivered outstanding PE lessons to all classes this year and we would like to thank him for his continued hard work in delivering an exciting and engaging PE curriculum to our pupils.



AFTER SCHOOL CARE - This week in After School Care the KSI children have been doing activities related to May Day. They have made baskets by weaving paper, doing the Maypole dance and have heard a story all about May Day. After their topic time, if children are here after 4.30pm they have a light tea and some time to relax in our bright and colourful Pre-Reception classroom. Each week going forward there will be specific topics the KSI children will focus on while KS2 children complete their homework.

PEADIATRIC FIRST AID COURSE - Thank you to all the parents that came along to the first aid course on Tuesday. We hope you enjoyed it and learned some new valuable skills.

FRUIT SNACK - Just a reminder to parents to please provide a fruit snack for your child to enjoy when they have their morning break. The fruit from the school kitchen is needed for lunch and whilst we are happy to assist if a snack is occasionally forgotten this can not be relied upon.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

FOMCS

We have a few more Blue Band Adventure Island tickets available for sale in the School office

UPCOMING CAKE SALES

Reception on Friday 17th May

Pre-Reception and Nursery on Friday 5th July

As always the Pre-Loved uniform will be on sale at each of the cake sales

Day	Main	Dessert
Mon	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tues	Sweet and Sour chicken served with rice, prawn crackers and salad.	Shortbread or fruit
Weds	Roast beef server with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy.	Fresh fruit salad or yoghurt
Thurs	Sausages, potato croquettes, bean and salad	Doughnuts served with chocolate sauce or fruit
Fri	Tomato and cheese pasta bake served with sweet corn and salad	Strawberry jelly or fruit



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