



MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2017

Weekly Newsletter

6th January 2017

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

FRIDAY 13th JANUARY

Form 1 Cake Sale

FRIDAY 20th JANUARY

Young Voices Choir at O2

THURSDAY 26th JANUARY

FOMCS Meeting 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY 1st FEBRUARY

Essex Air Ambulance Visit

SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY

England Netball Trip

TUESDAY 7th & WEDNESDAY

8th FEBRUARY

ESB Examinations

FRIDAY 10th FEBRUARY

Form 2 Cake Sale

MON 13th - FRI 17th FEBRUARY

Half Term

TUESDAY 21st FEBRUARY

Parents' Evening

WEDNESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY

Form 4 Class Assembly

THURSDAY 23rd FEBRUARY

Parents' Evening

WEDNESDAY 1st - FRIDAY 3rd MARCH

Form 5 Fellowship Afloat Trip

THURSDAY 9th MARCH

Forms 3 & 4 Cross Country Relay

FRIDAY 10th MARCH

Form 3 Cake Sale

MONDAY 13th MARCH

Form 3 & 4 Trip to Chelmsford Cathedral



Dear Parents,

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year. I trust that you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday with your families. It has been lovely to have the children back in school and they have settled into their school routines very quickly and sensibly. I would like to welcome Emma Mellor and Harrison Farr into the Maldon Court family. They started yesterday in Pre-Reception and Form 4. I know that you will make the children and their families very welcome. Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded the Spring Term Captain badges:

Form Captains Reception - Freddy Bruce; Form 1 - Alice Wilson, Form 2 - Ava Blake, Form 3 - Arjan Chahil, Form 4 - Oscar Griggs and Form 5 - Isabel Gill.

Sports Captains Naomi Deavers and Bayley Lempriere.

House Captains Australia - Finn Robinson, Canada - Molly Coghlan and New Zealand - Ava Nutley. I know that all the children will be super role models and ambassadors for Maldon Court and well done to our Autumn Term Captains who did a fantastic job.

Please note that all clubs start next week and Wrap Around Care continues as normal but please remember to book your child in to use either Breakfast Club or After School Care.



ESSEX AIR AMBULANCE TRIP - We have been lucky enough to secure a trip to the Essex Air Ambulance base in Earls Colne on 1st February for 12 children. The children will have the opportunity to look around the base, have a tour and maybe even see the helicopter if it is not out at the time. It is a fabulous opportunity for the children and I know that they will thoroughly enjoy the experience. The difficulty will be deciding who to take! It has been decided that the top 3 fundraisers from our previous Essex Air Ambulance fundraising event will be offered a place. The children were told in assembly this morning that if they would like the opportunity to win a place that they can write a letter or draw a picture with words to me explaining why they would like to be chosen to visit the base using persuasive language! They have until Monday 16th January to get their letters in, if they wish to. Please note, this is NOT compulsory! Winners from a variety of classes will be selected week commencing 16th January and it is open from Form 1 to Form 6. Unfortunately, due to EYFS ratios and the nature of the trip, it will not be suitable for Reception children.



PROJECT X - Last term pupils from Forms 5 and 6 attended workshops at The Plume Academy for Project X. This was a school partnership project aimed at developing a wide range of skills including communication, planning, organisation and collaboration. The project made excellent links with other areas of the curriculum including Maths, Science, History, Geography and Computing. There were two groups; the Enterprise group and the History Group. The Enterprise group, made up of Ailsa Galloway and Arthur Ballard, were tasked with planning a healthy lifestyle event for Maldon. They decided they wanted their event to encourage people to take part in sports they otherwise might not have the opportunity to try. They created leaflets, posters, a radio advert, a Powerpoint presentation and an exhibition stall, all in only 8 hours - an astonishing achievement! The History group, made up of Pippa Pavelin and Emelia Wilson were given the brief to plan an exhibition detailing a period of migration history. They created a fabulous exhibition explaining the Irish Potato Famine. They had to put



together a short drama sketch, a Powerpoint quiz and a museum exhibition with artefacts and supporting information.

The Projects were showcased in evening presentations which saw the groups pitching their ideas to local dignitaries, Headteachers, parents and family. The

children presented their ideas in a very professional and well informed manner and fielded questions with excellent knowledge and teamwork. It was a fabulous experience for all of the children.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs E Mason
Headteacher

NEXT WEEKS MENU

Mon	Homemade beef meatballs in tomato sauce, pasta spirals and salad	Lemon drizzle sponge and custard	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Tues	Homemade tomato and ham pizza, potato noisettes and sweetcorn		Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Wed	Cumberland sausages, roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, seasonal vegetables and gravy	Strawberry jelly and mousse	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Thurs	Chicken pasta bake, garden peas and salad		Fresh fruit or yoghurt
Fri	Pork cobbler, sweet potato mash with mixed vegetables	Homemade shortbread	

FOMCS - Happy New Year everyone and welcome back to what will be an exciting term ahead. The FOMCS meeting will be held on Thursday 26th January at school at 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing many parents there. Everybody is welcome and refreshments will be provided. The meeting will last no longer than an hour.

