

## MALDON COURT

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Autumn Term 2018

Weekly Newsletter

7th September 2018

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please check the school diary on the App and website.

### **MONDAY 10th SEPTEMBER**

Forms I - 3 Blackwater Street
Dance Club starts 7.45am
II+ resumes
Individual and Ukulele lessons start
this week:

Piano - Monday & Wednesday Guitar & Ukulele - Tuesday Singing - Thursday

### TUESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

Forms 4 - 6 Blackwater Street
Dance Club starts 7.45am

### **FRIDAY 14th SEPTEMBER**

Forms I-3 Swimming starts

### **MONDAY 17th SEPTEMBER**

All clubs to start

### THURSDAY 20th SEPTEMBER

FOMCS AGM 2.00pm Form 6 to Crucial Crew

### **FRIDAY 21st SEPTEMBER**

Jeans for Genes Day

### **MONDAY 1st OCTOBER**

Individual and Sibling Photographs Any Nursery or Pre-Reception children to be brought in at 8.50am

### **FRIDAY 5th OCTOBER**

Form 6 Cake Sale

### **TUESDAY 9th OCTOBER**

Harvest Festival

Donations to Maldon Food Pantry
can be brought in on Monday 8th &

Tuesday 9th October



Dear Parents.

Welcome back to the start of the new academic year. I hope that you all had a wonderful summer break. It is a pleasure to see all of the children return to school with their new uniform and sparkling shoes! Although the children have not been in school for over 7 weeks, the school has been open every single day as we worked on improvements across the school for the benefit of the children and their learning environment. The entire school has been re-painted including window frames, Pre Reception and Nursery outdoor areas now have canopies installed, allowing them access to their outdoor areas in the rain or sunshine. The outside decking has been replaced, three classes have new carpets, storage areas have been updated and a new maths resources area has been constructed. Nursery are very proud of their new outdoor storage area providing them with somewhere to park their cars! Our playground hoarding has been replaced and extensive gardening work has taken place across the whole site. I would also like to thank all the staff who have been working throughout the children's break to ensure that the classrooms are bright and inspiring for them. The school looks fantastic.

**NEW PUPILS** - I would like to welcome children that have started with us this week. In Nursery we have Elianna Bradford, Jacob Coyle, Alice Heath, Amelia Pearce, Wilfred Smith, Levi Bamgboye and Elodie Beckett. In Pre-Reception Teddy Stevenson joins us and in Form 4 Aden Karimi. Welcome to all of the new families we are delighted to have you here and I look forward to you all being part of the Maldon Court community.

PUPIL RESPONSIBILITIES - The beginning of the new school year always brings with it new responsibilities for our children. This is something that the children relish and badges are awarded in our celebration assembly. Sports Captains were awarded to Benjamin Hunt and Mia Saich. House Captains for this term are - Australia - Brandon Clarke, Canada - Oscar Griggs and New Zealand - Hugh Crozier. The Form 6 children also have a number of other monitor and prefect responsibilities which I am sure that they will carry out admirably. The new Form Captains for this term are: Reception – Harriet Hawes, Form I – James Hull, Form 2 – Martha Smith, Form 3 – Harry Jones, Form 4 – William Bruce, Form 5 - Harry Scott.

LIBRARY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE - If your child participated in the summer reading challenge and you would like them to be presented with their certificate, please drop it into the school office and they can be presented to the children in celebration assembly on Tuesday.

**CLUBS** - Thank you for submitting your club choices forms. Clubs will be allocated next week and letters will be sent home by Friday. For those that have paid for the Blackwater Street Dance Club this will start next week. Forms I—3 is on Monday at 7.45am and Forms 4 - 6 are on Tuesday. Children can wear either their PE kits or shorts and T-shirts but will need their uniform to change back into. There will be a member of staff with Mr Higgins during his club so if you have any questions, please feel free to ask them when you drop the children off. 

II+ club will also resume on Monday. Collection from this club is 4.30pm. We look forward to another successful term of club activities. Please remember that there is often a limit of how many children can be admitted to each club - we do try to accommodate everyone's choices but this is not always possible.

**PARKING** - I am delighted to inform you that the proposal to place parking spaces outside our school was rejected at a public council meeting during the summer break. I would like to thank those parents who took the time to send their objections in to the council - your contributions were invaluable. However, it wasn't just the school and our parents who objected to the plans, many of the residents of Silver Street and Beeleigh Road were also opposed and so we must maintain our absolute determination to be good neighbours to the nearby residents and businesses. I must reiterate that parking in Silver Street, Cromwell Hill, Gate Street or Beeleigh Road is not permitted for the purposes of dropping off or collecting children from the school. This is for the safety of all of our children and is of paramount importance. Remember we have a hard fought concession for discounted parking in the White Horse car park. As I stated last term, any parent that chooses to do a stop and drop should do so between 8.40 and 8.45am when it is quieter. Stop and drop does not mean parking the car whilst you take your child into school – it is dropping your child outside the school gate whilst you remain in the car. I would like to thank the overwhelming majority of parents that abide by our stringent safety measures for the children.

Maldon District Council offer a permit to our parents for £200.00 for the year that allows you to park both The link for this can be before and after school. accessed by: clicking here:

https://maldon-self.achieveservice.com/service/ maldon court school

> Have a lovely weekend. Mrs E Mason Headteacher

### Next week's menu:

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<u>/</u>	Mon	Chilli con carne served with rice, warmed tortilla chips and soured cream	Flapjacks Or Fruit
	Tues	Shepherds pie served with broccoli	Chocolate Mousse Or Fruit
	Wed	Roast Beef served with seasonal vegetables, roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Fresh fruit Salad, Yoghurt Or Fruit
	Thur	Sausage rolls, mashed potato and beans	Iced Vanilla sponge Or Fruit
	Fri	Fish fingers, new potatoes, peas and salad.	Chocolate chip cookies Or Fruit















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