



Maltese Road Primary School

NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2024



Dear Maltese Road Families



Key Stage 1 Stay and Read - Friday 4th October

Year 1 and 2 parents are invited to a Stay and Read session on Friday 4th October from 8:30am - 9:30am.

This is an opportunity for parents/carers to enjoy sharing a book with their child/children in the hall, cushions and blankets will be at the ready!

The session will run from 8:30am to 9:30am but we understand if parents cannot stay for the whole session.

School Council



This week, Mrs White and Miss Myson has met and spoken to children from Y1-Y6 who are interested in being part of our school council this year. There was a huge response from the classes and the children had some excellent ideas to share. As you can imagine, we can't have everyone this time round, but there will be other opportunities for children to be involved later in the year and as they progress through the school. We also have a number of our children who are interested in developing leadership skills such as, reading ambassadors, digital leaders and sport leaders, which we are excited about.

After much deliberation, we are starting the school council of 2024 with the children below. We are looking forward to working with them to continue to make our school a brilliant place for everyone to learn.

Year Group	Names
Year 1	Theo and Sienna
Year 2	Hannah and Layla A
Year 3	Jemima and Lily
Year 4 -	Misha and Emily
Year 5	Hallie and Sourav
Year 6	Marcel and Rocco

Appropriate Clothing

This week has been quite wet and although we have spent some breaks indoors, we have been able to get outside and do like to, even with a light drizzle. Light rain doesn't stop us and a lot of our children do enjoy some fresh air and a movement break, which benefits their ability to learn. Please make sure that children are prepared for inclement weather, by putting a cagoule or raincoat in their bag so that they can still take part in activities, even if it is a bit damp.

Prospective Parents Reception September 2025 Intake – We will be welcoming prospective Reception class parents to our presentation on Wednesday 13th November or Wednesday 20th November at 1:30pm. Please pop along on either date to meet our staff and find out all about the EYFS curriculum.



Harvest

We would like to invite families to our forthcoming harvest assemblies taking place at the church on Maltese Road. The days and timing are below;

KS1 (Reception and Year 1 and Year 2) Wednesday 23rd October at 9am

KS2 (Years 3-6) Friday 25th October at 9am

We know that these events are special milestones in children’s school lives and that families will want to take photos and videos. Please ensure that these are only for your own private memories and are not shared on social media. It is likely that other children will be in them and their families may not want their children on line for a number of reasons, some of which may be for safeguarding purposes.



As usual we will be supporting Chelmsford Food Bank who would be hugely grateful of any donations you can send in, if you are able.

What Food to Donate?

The shopping list below shows the food items that are needed to pack most food parcels. They almost always have enough beans and pasta because these are the items people think of first, but often run out of UHT milk, tinned meat meals, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit and long-life fruit juice. All food donated should be in-date, unopened and the sort of food that can be kept in a cupboard without refrigeration, e.g. tins and packets (and not chilled or frozen).

Items that they are currently in most need of are as follows:

Small jars of coffee	Male and female toiletries	Breakfast Cereal
Tea bags 40 and 80s	Laundry pods/tabs (only)	Tins of meat meals
UHT Fruit Juice	Washing up liquid	Tinned hot dogs
UHT Milk	Toilet rolls	Tinned fish
Milk - non dairy	Rice	Tinned pulses
Fruit Squash	Tinned fruit	Tinned tomatoes
Cup soups	Tinned custard	Tinned vegetables
Tinned soup	Pasta Sauces	Instant Mash

Secondary School Applications – September 2025

The new secondary school admission round opened on Thursday 12th September 2024, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2025. The statutory national closing date for applications is 31st October 2024.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions 99% of parents applied online last year. All the information required is available on the website above and the website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2025-26 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies. Parents must apply for places as, even with an application, your choice of place is not guaranteed.

**NO
PARKING**

It has been brought to our attention by a number of residents that parents are parking irresponsibly along Maltese Road, especially on the corner near the Church. **IT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE to park over driveways or double yellow lines.** Please make sure that you are respectful to the residents. Please also do not let your children sit, or walk along the garden walls.



Healthy snack -

Most children require a snack at morning break to keep them going through the day. We encourage children to bring in healthy snacks.

Many of these will help contribute to their 5 daily portions of fruit and vegetables, keep them alert and help them concentrate.

Children in **EYFS and KS1** have a daily snack of fruit or veg provided for free by the government, so additional snacks for these ages may not be required.

If you are intending to send in healthy snacks with your child please limit them to the list below.

Vegetables/ vegetable sticks – such as celery, cucumber, peppers or carrot.

A piece of cheese (cheddar cheese or Babybel).

A piece of fresh or dried fruit – pineapple, mango, kiwi, plain raisins, apricots, blueberries, banana slices.

breads are also good snacks Bread sticks, plain pretzels, banana bread, malt loaf, oat/rice cakes and small pitta.

We are aiming for a common-sense approach, with the key being to keep it healthy and no chocolate, sweets or crisps during breaktime.



We are a nut aware school; we have children and adults with nut allergies, which could be very dangerous for them to be in contact. Please ensure that you check ingredients of all foods sent into school, even items you buy regularly, as there can be changes, to ensure there are no issues.

Important messages:-

- ✓ If there is a change in circumstances when collecting your child from school at the end of the day, **you must telephone the school office by 2:30pm at the latest.**
- ✓ If you need to contact your class teacher at any time please feel free to use ClassDojo, or the class email address found on our website.
- ✓ Please ensure that if your child is not attending school that you phone the school office every day of the absence on (01245) 357 860 to inform us by **9:00am.**
- ✓ Please note that any urgent messages must be contacted by telephone and not email, as these messages may not be seen until the following day.

Attendance Award:

Maltese Road Values

Respect	Kimberly, Jaime, Royce
Resilience	Isaac, Johan, , Jack T
Responsibility	
Creativity	Summer
Collaboration	
Compassion	Angel
Courage	

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Date	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4th October 11th October 15th – 18th October 18th October 23rd October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key Stage 1 Stay and Read – 8:30am – 9:30am Hello Yellow Day – Details to Follow Year 6 Bikeability – Details to Follow PTA Halloween Event – Details to Follow Key Stage 1 Harvest Festival at Church of Ascension – Parents Invited 9:00am Parents Evening – Details to Follow Book Fair
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24th October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents Evening – Details to Follow Book Fair
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25th October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key Stage 2 Harvest Festival at Church of Ascension – Parents Invited 9:00am
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 28th October – 1st November 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Half Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11th November 12th November 15th November 25th November 29th December 5th December 6th December 9th December 10th December 11th December 12th December 13th December 17th December 19th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEND Coffee Morning Year 5 Trip to Imperial War Museum Duxford Children in Need Flu Immunisations – Details to Follow Key Stage 1 Stay and Read – 8:30am – 9:30am – Details to Follow Reception Class Nativity – Details to Follow Stay and Share Afternoon – Details to Follow Key Stage 1 Nativity – Parents Invited 9:15am in the School Hall Key Stage 1 Nativity – Parents Invited 9:15am in the School Hall Snow White Pantomime – Details to Follow Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day PTA Christmas Craft and Shopping – Details to Follow Key Stage 2 Carol Concert – Details to Follow Last Day of Autumn Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non Pupil Day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th January 2025 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Day of Spring Term 2025

2024-2025 Term Dates

Date	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd September 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non Pupil Day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd September 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Day of Autumn Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 28th October to 1st November 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October Half Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Autumn Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non Pupil Day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 23rd December – 3rd January 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Holidays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th January 2025 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Day of Spring Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17th – 21st February 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February Half Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4th April 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Spring Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7th – 17th April 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Holidays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22nd April 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Day of Summer Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May Day Bank Holiday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 26th May – 30th May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May Half Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd June 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non Pupil Day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18th July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Summer Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21st & 22nd July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non Pupil Days



SEND Coffee Morning



I am very pleased to be able to invite you to Maltese Road's SEND Coffee Morning.

This will be an opportunity for parents who have children with SEND who attend our school to meet one another and share experiences. Your child does not need a SEND diagnosis to attend, **anyone is welcome!**

There will be hot drinks, cakes and biscuits; as well as the chance to get together in a relaxed and friendly setting.

It is always great to realise that you are not alone on this journey!

This coffee morning will be led by Mrs Almond, SENco, I look forward to catching up with you then! 😊

Our next SEND Coffee morning is

Monday 11th November at 8:30am.

This will be focused on catching up and plans and ideas for this year! 😊

PTA NEWS

Dates for your Diary

18th October PTA Halloween Event – Details to Follow
13th December PTA Christmas Craft and Shopping – Details to Follow

We wanted to say a huge **THANK YOU** to Kelly who has led the PTA for a number of years for all her hard work and effort to put on such great events for the children. Kelly will now be stepping down as Chair. Thank you to all of those who have been involved in the PTA team over the last year.

The Maltese Road PTA will be reforming with new committee members after the PTA EGM on Wednesday 9th October at 7pm. If you would like to be involved with the revised PTA team by standing to be on the committee, becoming a general member or would like to attend as an observer, please email for further information to: maltesepta@gmail.com We hope you can support the new team to be elected.



Inflatables Fun!

Thank you for all your support last Friday at the Inflatables event. It was a great success and the children really enjoyed all of the activities. Lovely to see so many of you there.



Total raised £750.
Thank you!

A huge thanks to all those that gave up their time to volunteer - the event could not run

★ without you! ★



Maltese Road Primary School Uniform and PE Kit

A reminder for the new school year that all children should be coming to school in the correct school uniform and PE kits. Here's a reminder of our uniform:-

Our uniform supplier is One Stop School Gear, Unit 1 Beehive Business Centre, Beehive Lane, Chelmsford, Essex CM2 9TE Telephone number 01245 214084

The school uniform is; grey trousers or skirts/pinafores,
plain white shirts,
school grey jumper or cardigan with school logo
school tie.

In the summer: girls may wear the green and white checked summer dress, girls socks should be white and may be knee length or ankle.

Boys may wear grey school shorts.

Plain, black shoes only. No flip-flops, high heels, boots or open-toed sandals.

The PE kit is; white polo shirt with logo or plain white t-shirt, no slogans,
green shorts, or green, black or dark grey tracksuit bottoms/leggings in the winter, no slogans,
trainers (Reception class are required to wear plimsolls).

All items should be clearly named.

For pierced ears – very small studs only please - this is an Essex County Council ruling to comply with safety regulations.

No hoops or dangling earrings.

1 small stud only per ear.

Child must be able to remove their own earrings for PE lessons.

Tape is no longer permitted.

All other jewellery, including rings, bracelets and necklaces are forbidden.

No make-up or nail varnish to be worn at school and extreme hair styles / colours are not permitted. Children are not permitted to wear hair accessories that are non-school uniform colours and they should not wear extreme or overly large hair accessories.

Mid Essex Secondary Schools

Open Evenings for Years 7 and 12 and Tours for 2025-2026 intake

The Boswells School

Tel: 01245 264451 www.boswells-school.com



The Boswells School - Year 7 Entry Meet Our Students

Date: Saturday 21 September 2024
Timing: 9.30 am and 10.30 am. Please contact Reception to book.

The Boswells School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Wednesday 2 October 2024
Timing: 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm
Headteacher's presentations: 5.30 pm and 6.30 pm

The Boswells School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Dates: 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 September 2024
Timing: 9.15 am to 10.30 am. Booking required. Arrive at Reception 9.10 am

The Boswells School - Sixth Form Open Evening

Date: Wednesday 6 November 2024
Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm. Booking required.
Headteacher's presentation: 6.00 pm and 6.45 pm
Sixth Form Open Morning tours: Wednesday 13 November 2024, 9.15 am

Chelmsford County High School

Tel: 01245 352592 www.cchs.co.uk



Chelmsford County High School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 1 May 2025
Timing: 4.00 pm to 7.00 pm
Headteacher's presentations: 4.45 pm, 5.30 pm and 6.15 pm

Chelmsford County High School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024
Timing: 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm

Hylands School

Tel: 01245 266766 www.hylands-ksat.org



Hylands School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024
Timing: 4.30 pm to 7.00 pm
Headteacher's presentations: 5.15 pm and 6.30 pm

Hylands School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Date: Week commencing Monday 7 October 2024. Please contact Reception to book.

Hylands School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 14 November 2024
Timing: 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm
Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 6.00 pm

The Beaulieu Park School

Tel: 01245 943400 www.beaulieuparkschool.com



The Beaulieu Park School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Monday 30 September 2024
Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Executive Headteacher's presentations: 6.15 pm, 6.55 pm and 7.35 pm

The Beaulieu Park School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Date: Various dates in September and October. Please visit our website to book.

The Beaulieu Park School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Monday 4 November 2024
Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm. Please visit our website to book.
Head of School and Director of Sixth Form presentations: 6.15 pm

Chelmer Valley High School

Tel: 01245 440232 www.chelmervalleyhighschool.co.uk



Chelmer Valley High School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 19 September 2024
Timing: 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm
Headteacher's presentations: 5.45 pm and 6.45 pm

Chelmer Valley High School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Dates: 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 September 2024
Timing: 9.00 am and 10.00 am. Booking required. Arrive at Reception 8.55am

Chelmer Valley High School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 10 October 2024
Timing: 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm
Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 5.45 pm

Great Baddow High School

Tel: 01245 265821 www.gbhs.co.uk



Great Baddow High School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Tuesday 24 September 2024
Timing: 5.30 pm to 8.30 pm
Headteacher's presentation: 5.45 pm, 6.30 pm and 7.15 pm

Great Baddow High School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Tour times by appointment throughout September and October 2024. Please contact the school office to book an appointment.

Great Baddow High School - Year 7 Sport Selection Day

Saturday 5 October 2024 (Application deadline midday on Friday 27 September 2024). Application via the school website: www.gbhs.co.uk

Great Baddow High School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Wednesday 23 October 2024
Timing: 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm
Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 5.30 pm (external applications only) and 6.15 pm (Internal students)

King Edward VI Grammar School

Tel: 01245 353510 www.kegs.org.uk



King Edward VI Grammar School - Year 7 Entry Open Days

Tours in Spring and Summer 2025 for Year 5 students will be advertised on our website.

King Edward VI Grammar School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Wednesday 13 November 2024
Timing: 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 5.00 pm and 6.30 pm - no booking required

King Edward VI Grammar School - Year 12 Open Afternoon

Date: Wednesday 15 January 2025
Timing: 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
This event is for those unable to attend our Year 12 Open Evening on Wednesday 13 November 2024.

Mid Essex Secondary Schools

Open Evenings for Years 7 and 12 and Tours for 2025-2026 intake *continued...*

Moulsham High School

Tel: 01245 260101 www.moulshamhigh.org



Moulsham High School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 19 September 2024
 Timing: 5.45 pm to 8.15 pm
 Headteacher's presentations: 6.00 pm and 7.15 pm
 Music aptitude presentation: 7.00 pm

Moulsham High School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Date: 24, 25 and 26 September and 1, 2, 3, 7 and 11 October 2024
 Timing: 9.00 am and 10.00 am on all days

Moulsham High School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 14 November 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 6.15 pm and 7.15 pm

Ormiston Rivers Academy

Tel: 01621 782377

www.ormistonriversacademy.co.uk



Ormiston Rivers Academy - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 12 September 2024
 Timing: 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Headteacher's presentation: 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm

Ormiston Rivers Academy - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Date: Monday 16 September until Friday 27 September 2024

Ormiston Rivers Academy - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Tuesday 1 October 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 7.00 pm

Plume Maldon's Community Academy

Tel: 01621 854681 www.plume.essex.soh.uk



Plume Academy - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 26 September 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Headteacher's presentations: 6.15 pm and 7.30 pm

Plume Academy - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Date: Monday 7 to Friday 18 October 2024.
 Please refer to the Plume Academy website to book your tour.

Plume Academy - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Headteacher and Head of College presentations: 6.30 pm

The Sandon School

Tel: 01245 473611

www.sandon.essex.soh.uk



The Sandon School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024
 Timing: 5.30 pm to 8.30 pm
 Headteacher's presentations: 5.45 pm and 6.45 pm

The Sandon School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Various dates in September and October - please contact our reception team.

The Sandon School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 24 October 2024
 Timing: 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm
 Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 5.30 pm

St John Payne Catholic School

Tel: 01245 256030 www.sjp.essex.soh.uk



St John Payne Catholic School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 26 September 2024
 Timing: 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm
 Headteacher's presentations: 5.45 pm, 6.45 pm and 7.45 pm

St John Payne Catholic School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Please contact the school to arrange a visit. We look forward to meeting you.

St John Payne Catholic School - Year 12 Entry Open Evening

Date: Wednesday 13 November 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.15 pm
 Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form presentations: 6.00 pm and 7.45 pm

William de Ferrers School

Tel: 01245 326326 www.wdf.sohool



William de Ferrers School - Year 7 Entry Open Evening

Date: Thursday 19 September 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Executive Headteacher's presentations: 6.20 pm and 7.00 pm

William de Ferrers School - Year 7 Entry Open Morning Tours

Various dates in September and October, please contact our reception team to book.

William de Ferrers School - Year 12 Open Evening

Date: Thursday 7 November 2024
 Timing: 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
 Head of School and Director of Sixth Form presentations: 6.20 pm

Parents and carers can apply for their child's school place online using the Essex Online Admissions Service at www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. Alternatively an application form can be found on their website or you can request a form by calling 0345 603 2200 or use the one at the end of The Secondary Education in Essex 2024/2025 Booklet (if you would prefer to apply on paper). **Please do not do both.**

You will be able to make your application online from **12 September 2024**.

The closing date for secondary applications is **31 October 2024**. This is the statutory national closing date set by the Government.