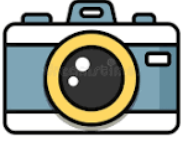




Maltese Road Primary School

NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2024

Dear Maltese Road Families



On **Friday 27th September** the school photographer will be in taking the children's individual photos. Please make sure that all children are wearing full school uniform. Children with siblings in school will have photos taken together, unfortunately we are unable to accommodate nursery age children/babies.

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.

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.

Changing for PE in school

Thank you for your emails detailing some of the concerns you have in relation to the children getting changed for PE in school.

We have done our best to answer these questions below.

- **Reduced time for education**

We understand concerns that children getting changed in school will impact their learning time. To support this, we are going to trial children getting changed just before lunch begins and just before home time.

- **Boys/girls changing together in KS2**

At Maltese Road Primary School, we take pride in ensuring children feel safe and happy throughout the school day. Therefore, for children in Key Stage 2, we will designate a single sex area for the children to change in, which will be supervised by a member of staff. This follows a similar format to secondary school and will support the transition as and when children move on from Maltese Road.

- **Extra trainers**

We understand that some children use their trainers for PE at school and for extra-curricular activities at home and the cost impact that buying an extra pair of trainers may have. Children are welcome to take their trainers home where necessary to support with this.

Reasons for this change

At Maltese Road Primary School one of our school values is responsibility; we believe this will facilitate our children to be more independent and responsible for their belongings as well as:

- Supporting fine and gross motor skills;
- Developing responsibility and ownership of belongings;
- Allowing more flexibility in the PE timetable;
- Ensuring consistency in PE kits, in line with school policy;
- Supporting with transition to secondary schools;
- Safeguarding all children;
- Promoting good hygiene.

This decision has not been taken lightly; we have been in consultation with Chelmsford Sports Partnership, schools within our trust and through our own research, we believe this will be beneficial for our children at Maltese.

This will be a gradual change, which will be fully implemented by the start of Spring term. We are currently in the process of reviewing our PE policy to support this change.



Reminders for the week



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:

Hedgehog, Nightingale and Dragonfly Class

Maltese Road Values

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|----------------|-----------------|
| Respect | Harry, Sophia |
| Resilience | Rohan, Nurullah |
| Responsibility | |
| Creativity | |
| Collaboration | Theodore |
| Compassion | Zac |
| Courage | |

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES: 

Date	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27th September 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual & Sibling Photos – Full School Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th October • 11th October • 15th – 18th October • 18th October • 23rd October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Coffee Afternoon for Reception Class Parents – Details to Follow • Key Stage 1 Stay and Read – 8:30am – 9:30am – Details to Follow • Hello Yellow Day – Details to Follow • Year 6 Bikeability – Details to Follow • PTA Halloween Movie Night – Details to Follow • Parents Evening – Details to Follow • Book Fair
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24th October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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"> • 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"> • 12th November • 15th November • 25th November • 29th December • 5th December • 6th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 5 Trip to Imperial War Museum Duxford – Details to Follow • 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 • Reception Class Nativity – Details to Follow • Stay and Share Afternoon – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9th December • 10th December • 11th December • 12th December • 13th December • 17th December • 19th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	
• 2 nd September	• Non Pupil Day
• 3 rd September	• First Day of Autumn Term
• 28 th October to 1 st November	• October Half Term
• 19 th December	• Last Day of Autumn Term
• 20 th December	• Non Pupil Day
• 23 rd December – 3 rd January 2024	• Christmas Holidays
• 6 th January 2025	• First Day of Spring Term
• 17 th – 21 st February	• February Half Term
• 4 th April	• Last Day of Spring Term
• 7 th – 17 th April	• Easter Holidays
• 22 nd April	• First Day of Summer Term
• 5 th May	• May Day Bank Holiday
• 26 th May – 30 th May	• May Half Term
• 2 nd June	• Non Pupil Day
• 18 th July	• Last Day of Summer Term
• 21 st & 22 nd July	• Non Pupil Days

PTA NEWS

Dates for your Diary

Rearranged Inflatables Day

Friday 20th September 2024

Coffee Afternoon Reception Class Parents

Friday 27th September 2024

*We wanted to announce that the **Maltese Road PTA** is reforming with new committee members. We are excited for the future ways of working and hope you can support the new team to be elected. We hope to develop and improve to make it as successful as possible by creating amazing events and opportunities for the children.*

*As part of this new team formation, we want to announce that there will be a **PTA EGM** being held on Wednesday 9th October at 7pm. The meeting will consider new proposals, revised ways of working, governance structure and future funding of events.*

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

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.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday **before school** Dodgeball **KS2**

Monday **after school** Football Club **KS2**

Wednesday **after school** Football Club **KS1**

Thursday **after school** Multiskills **KS2**



For half termly costs and start/finish times, please visit:

Book online: www.essexkidscamp.co.uk/activities

Email: info@essexkidscamp.co.uk



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