



Maltese Road Primary School

NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 12TH JANUARY 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy new year and welcome back to a busy Spring term 2024. We have some exciting trips and performances this term, along with the book fair, World book day and science week. We will also be holding parents evening on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th February, more details will be released nearer the time for you to book your appointments.

Electric Scooters – Please note it is school policy that electric scooters are not allowed on school grounds. If you are allowing your child/ren to come to school on an electric scooter, they must wear a helmet and be accompanied by an adult. They are not to be left on the school premises.

After a successful SEN meeting in the Autumn term, Mrs Almond would love for parents of SEN children to once again come into school to talk with other parents and 3 SEND professionals, please see the attached flyer. **SEND Coffee Morning Wednesday 31st January 2024 8:45am – 10am.**

Applications for Reception school place for the academic year September 2024 closes on Monday, **15 January 2024**. All applications must be made before the deadline and you can do so online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

Mrs White

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 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.

Pupil Awards 🏆

Attendance Award:

Dragonfly Class

Maltese Road Values

Respect

Resilience

Responsibility

Creativity

Collaboration

Compassion

Courage

Louis, Yaz, Jack

Yashwitha, Lanaiya

Oliver, Toni

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Date	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24th January 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 Cyber Safety Presentation from Essex County Fire & Rescue
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31st January 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 Home Safety Presentation from Essex County Fire & Rescue
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th February 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEND Coffee Morning – Details attached
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th February 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents Evening – 3:30pm – 6:30pm – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19th – 23rd February 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents Evening – 3:30pm – 6:30pm – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Half Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1 & Year 3 Trip to Colchester Castle – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Fair - Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Fair – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Day – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 & 4 Easter Workshop at Chelmsford Cathedral – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 & 4 Performance – Parents Invited at 9:15am – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28th March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 & 4 Performance – Parents Invited at 9:15am – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 29th March – 12th April 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last Day of Spring Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15th April 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easter Holidays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Day of Summer Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27th May – 24th May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May Day Bank Holiday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd June 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Half Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14th June 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non Pupil Day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24th – 26th June 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports Day – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10th July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 Residential Trip to Essex Outdoors Mersea
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11th July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 Leavers Performance – 1:30pm – Parents Invited – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19th July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 Leavers Performance – 9:15am – Parents Invited – Details to Follow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22nd & 23rd July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last Day of Summer Term
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non Pupil Day

Nuts

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.

Natasha's Law and Birthday Treats



If you are sending treats in for classmates to celebrate a birthday, please ensure that each individual packet has clearly labelled ingredients. If that is not the case, we will sadly have to return the treats to you as we will be unable to give them out under Natasha's Law. Alternatively, purchase a fabulous book for the children to enjoy and keep in their classroom in honour of the birthday. Suggested books for your child's age are listed on the class pages of our website.

P.E.

Children must not wear any kind of jewellery in PE lessons, including watches and earrings. Our school upholds the Essex policy around earrings, which states that earrings should be removed and that taping is not a suitable substitute, as it does not reduce the risk of the back of the earring puncturing the neck. Children with medium/long hair are reminded to tie it up securely

2023-2024 Term Dates

Date	
• 4 th January 2024	• First Day of Spring Term
• 19 th – 23 rd February	• February Half Term
• 28 th March	• Last Day of Spring Term
• 29 th March – 12 th April	• Easter Holidays
• 15 th April	• First Day of Summer Term
• 6 th May	• May Day Bank Holiday
• 27 th May – 31 st May	• May Half Term
• 3 rd June	• Non Pupil Day
• 19 th July	• Last Day of Summer Term
• 22 nd & 23 rd July	• Non Pupil Days

VACCINATION CLINICS



Has your child missed their school vaccinations?

We are running catch up clinics in your area.

Where: Crouch Vale Medical Centre, CM3 5QP

When: Saturday 13/01/24

Time: 10am to 3.30pm

Where: Witham Health Centre, CM8 2UX

When: Saturday 27/01/24

Time: 10am to 2pm

Reception to Year 11

- Flu Vaccine (Nasal & Injection available)

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If your child is eligible, don't delay.

Book your nearest clinic NOW or for more information on missed vaccinations please call 0300 790 0597.



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.

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

Wednesday 31st January from 8:45am – 10am.

We have three exciting guest speakers:

Kirsty Roberts from **SEND Resource Van** who will be setting up a stall with a range of SEND resources. She will also be discussing local SEND services that are available.

Daniel Hall from **SENDSensation** who will be giving a short talk about what they offer in regards to short breaks, activities and clubs (he is also happy to speak to families on an individual basis)

Alison Crumpton from **Autism Central** to discuss Services they offer and peer educators will be joining to share lived experiences.