



Maltese Road Primary School



NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

What's been happening at Maltese Road this week:

- Reception Class performed brilliantly at the Church on Thursday for the Nativity. Thank you to all the parents that came along to support the children.
- Year 6 tested their map reading skills on a walk to and from Admirals Park.
- Year 1 and 2 performed Prickly Hay to the rest of the school for the first time today. All of the children fully enjoyed it and we look forward to welcoming parents to come along and watch the children on Monday or Tuesday morning next week in the school hall.

Next Week – Week Commencing Monday 11th December

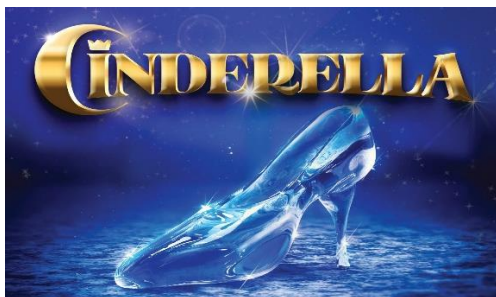
Monday – Year 1 & Year 2 Prickly Hay performance – In the School Hall, starting at 9:15am
Tuesday – Year 1 & Year 2 Prickly Hay performance – In the School Hall, starting at 9:15am
Wednesday – Cinderella Panto – Whole School
Thursday – Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumpers
Friday – Key Stage 2 Carol Concert at the Church – Parents Invited, starts at 9:15am

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that made a voluntary termly contribution, we will be using the money to buy Maths and English resources for the classrooms. The termly contributions are invaluable in these current times and we really appreciate the continued support.



This year Maltese Road raised £210.89 for the Poppy Appeal, thank you to everyone that donated and bought merchandise.

Coming Up



The children are getting very excited to go and see Cinderella at Towngate Theatre in Basildon next Wednesday. Please remember that children must arrive to school at **8:20am**, and bring a **packed lunch** with them. Snacks and water will be provided at the interval.

Every year the children are excited to show off their Christmas jumpers. This year, to coincide with our school Christmas dinner, the children can come to school wearing their **Christmas Jumper** (with their uniform) on **Thursday 14th December**.

We would also like Key Stage 2 to wear their Christmas jumpers on **Friday 15th December** for their carol service in the Church



From 4th January 2024 the Trust have made the tough decision to increase the price of our school meals by 10 pence, to £2.45 per day.

Mrs White

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 6 November 2023**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2024**.

From 6 November 2023, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

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:

Butterfly Class

Maltese Road Values

Respect

Resilience

Responsibility

Creativity

Collaboration

Compassion

Courage

Catherine

Mohammad, Angel

Everyone in Year 6, Zach

Khalipha

Misha

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Date	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11th December • 12th December • 13th December • 14th December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1 & Year 2 Prickly Hay performance in School Hall – Parents Invited 9:15am • Year 1 & Year 2 Prickly Hay performance in School Hall – Parents Invited 9:15am • Cinderella Panto – Towngate Theatre • Christmas Dinner Day • Christmas Jumper Day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15th December • 20th December • 21st December – 3rd January 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Stage 2 Carol Concert at Church – Parents Invited 9:15am • Last Day of Autumn Term • Christmas Holidays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th January 2024 • 24th January • 31st January • 19th March • 14th June • 24th – 26th June • 10th July • 11th July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Day of Spring Term • Year 6 Cyber Safety Presentation from Essex County Fire & Rescue • SEND Coffee Morning – Details to Follow • Year 3 & 4 Easter Workshop at Chelmsford Cathedral – Details to Follow • Sports Day – Details to Follow • Year 6 Residential Trip to Essex Outdoors Mersea • Year 6 Leavers Performance – 1:30pm – Parents Invited – Details to Follow • Year 6 Leavers Performance – 9:15am – Parents Invited – Details to Follow

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	
• 20 th December	• Last Day of Autumn Term
• 21 st December – 3 rd January 2024	• Christmas Holidays
• 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

PTA NEWS

Thank you to everyone that donated gifts for the Christmas stall sale.

PTA upcoming events

Monday 18th December PTA Christmas Decoration morning

We look forward to seeing you all at the PTA events.

Maltese Road School Chair and PTA