

Friday 21st October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the last of my letters for Term 1 - a very busy but successful term for Aspire, I hope your children have enjoyed it. In my letter today I have provided you with the usual round up of news and information. I can be contacted over the half term if urgently needed at [exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk](mailto:exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk)

### Supermarket Vouchers

KCC have contacted us this week and asked us to issue supermarket vouchers to every child who receives benefit related free school meals for the half term. The voucher this time has the value of £10 which is less than previous holiday weeks. If you have not been issued a voucher and feel that you should be entitled to one i.e. your child receives free school meals that you have applied for please contact your child's school office today.

### Half term events in Lockmeadow, Maidstone

Please see below for some information we have been sent regarding autumn events in Lockmeadow, Maidstone



### Scarecrow Festival

Platts Heath have taken part in the Maidstone Scarecrow Festival. Please see the information below from Mr Waters, Head of School at Platts Heath.

Chris, the Platts Heath Scarecrow, can be seen at the Maidstone Scarecrow Festival in the Mall (see pictures below). He will be displayed in McDonalds on level 2 of the Mall Shopping Centre if any of the children would like to go and visit him next week before returning to Platts Heath next term.

The entrants of the 'Design a Scarecrow' art competition on display at Grafty Green village hall have been judged by Artist Cathy Hill and are as follows:-

Henry, aged 9, - with his scarecrow woman with her pick axe, crows and other prop

Scarlett, aged 4, - inventive colouring and straw-like texture.

Leonardo, aged 10, - "The Witcher" was very lifelike.



### World Cup Football Matches

Miss Liddicoat contacted me this week regarding the world cup match that is to be shown during the day on Monday 21st November at 1pm. To reassure all the football fans out there we will make provision in each of the Aspire schools for those interested children to keep up with the game. The other two group games are in the evening on 25/11 and 29/11 so do not affect school. If England progresses I will update you on how we will make provisions in school for these events.

Wishing you all a lovely family half term break, all Aspire schools **will open on Monday 31st October 2022.**

Kind regards,

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