

Friday 4th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing my usual Friday letter on a Thursday as I am moving house tomorrow. A long awaited move which couldn't quite line up to half term - typical!

The rain is lashing down today so it's wet playtimes all round and umbrellas in corridors. I hope the weather improves for the weekend so that families are able to enjoy firework celebrations. This letter is the first of Term 2 so will provide information and news early on in the term.

Christmas Card Competition

Helen Whately MP has organised a competition for a Christmas image for a card - the details are below. If your child would like to enter a design you can either post or bring it into the school office where we will collect entries and post together.

I am pleased to once again be hosting a Christmas card competition and I very much hope that some of the children at your school might like to enter.

I am inviting primary school children across the constituency to design a festive image for my Christmas greetings which will be sent to hundreds of people and organisations, including the Prime Minister. The winner of the competition will receive a prize, and the child's first name and school will of course be included on the design (with parental permission). We will also choose several highly commended entries.

If you are keen for your students to take part, I would be very grateful if you could submit their designs on A4 paper. The submissions should be hand drawn or painted (not computer graphics or glued collages). Designs do not need to be in card format and must be an original rather than a photocopy. On the reverse, please provide the name and age of the pupil as well as the school. I would be grateful if you could send entries to arrive in my Westminster office (address below) by Wednesday 30 November. I will let the schools that have entered know about the winning and highly commended entries soon after the closing date.

I do hope that some of your pupils might enjoy designing an entry for this year's competition and look forward to hearing from you.

In the meantime, as ever, please do not hesitate to contact me if you feel that there is anything that I can do to support you.

With my best wishes, Helen

Helen Whately MP Member of Parliament serving Faversham and Mid Kent House of Commons, London. SW1A 0AA.

Bowles Residential - Meeting for Parents.

Mrs Steer will be organising a virtual meeting for parents to provide information about the forthcoming residential trip, if your child is attending. The meeting will take place on Thursday 17th November. It will be a virtual meeting between 6-7pm, more details and a link for the meeting will follow.

Poppy Display in Kingswood

Lots of the children across Aspire made poppies out of empty bottles to contribute to the Poppy display in Kingswood. The display is in the village around the village sign. It has started to be erected and will be displayed over the Remembrance Day weekend if you would like to visit with your child.

Wishing you all happy family weekends and dry weather for fireworks

Kind regards,

Emma Hickling

Executive Headteacher