



Friday 10th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have had a great week and are looking forward to the weekend. I am writing with my usual weekly letter of news and information. I can be contacted at exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk between 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday for queries and questions. Also Lauren, my PA, can be contacted at lriby@aspire-kent.org.uk. Any requests for meetings or appointments can be made through Lauren - thank you.

Remembrance Day-



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget

As you are aware Saturday 11th November marks Remembrance Day.

Several towns across the county are hosting church services, street parades and memorials where you can pay tribute to those who have put their lives on the line throughout history.

The Annual Remembrance Sunday commemorations in Maidstone will take place on Sunday 12th November.

The parade will begin at 10.30am from the junction of Week Street and High Street in Maidstone town centre. At 10.50 The Service of Remembrance will commence at the Memorial and be followed by the laying of wreaths. This will also include the two-minute silence at 11am at the Memorial.

For the full details of the parade, including road closures which will be in place for the morning visit-

<https://news.maidstone.gov.uk/home/news/2024/october/maidstones-remembrance-sunday-parade-and-service>

Kingswood Display-

Children at Kingswood drew around their hands in red and green felt and cut them out. These were then fixed onto a metal wreath and passed onto Kingswood Village Community Project.

These are to be hung on the remembrance installation in the Village of Kingswood this weekend.

If any of you have the opportunity to visit the wonderful Installation and would like to send pictures in to Lauren (lriby@aspire-kent.org.uk) these can be shared in next week's letter.

Dance class opportunity for mums and babies-

Please see the attached flyer detailing information for 'Mumba Moves'. A fabulous dance fitness class to participate in with your babies or toddlers.

This runs every Monday 12-1pm at Harrietsham Village Hall. For more information visit <https://mumbamoves.wixsite.com/mumbamoves>.

Aspire Trust Update-

I am delighted to inform you that after weeks of hard work and multiple meetings, the application for the Trust will be submitted to the DFE next week. We have the full support of the Diocese for the Trust and the addition of two new Schools to join Aspire.

This is a very exciting time, and although more work ahead, it is a great step towards the future for all of our schools and Aspire's expansion and future!

Some happy news!

We are delighted to inform you that Mrs Brignall (Class teacher at Platts Heath and Aspire English Lead) gave birth to a beautiful baby boy during half term.



He was born on the 26th October and weighed 7 lbs, 10 ozs. Both Mum and baby are doing extremely well.

Furthermore Mrs Sanders (Maple Class teacher at Kingswood) welcomed her beautiful boy called Oscar at the end of October. As you can see in the picture all the family are enjoying their new addition.



I am sure that you will join with all of us in sending our congratulations.

Reminder for BOWLES meeting Wednesday 15th November, 6pm-

A reminder that all staff and myself will be at the meeting on 15th November to provide further information about the trip and answer any questions.

Please use the link below to join this meeting.

meet.google.com/xez-xfwe-ior -

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Emma Hickling
Executive Headteacher