



Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all had a good week.

I am writing with my usual weekly letter of news and information. I can be contacted at exehead@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.

British Science Week-

This week was British Science Week. To commemorate this special occasion, all classes across Aspire participated in a fantastic Science Day. Throughout the day, our pupils were fully immersed in developing and honing their working scientific skills through a wide range of exciting science investigations.



From fascinating chemical reactions to engaging hands-on experiments, our pupils were fully engaged in the exploration of scientific concepts. This immersive experience not only deepened their understanding of the scientific method but also nurtured their curiosity and critical thinking abilities. The enthusiasm displayed by our pupils was truly remarkable, proving once again their eagerness to delve into the fascinating world of science.

British Science Week was an incredible opportunity to inspire young minds and foster a genuine love for science. We are grateful to our dedicated teachers who organised this memorable event, providing our students with a platform to unleash their scientific potential.

Quiz Night-

Grafty Green in collaboration with Platts Heath PTA are hosting an annual Quiz night!

This will take place on **Saturday 20th April (7pm for 7.30pm start)**.

Tickets can be purchased from plattsheathpta@gmail.com. Or you can call Jon on 07832112730. Tickets include food options. Attached leaflet provides further detail.

It would be great to have a team from each of the Aspire Schools!

ALERT- 'Spoof' Advert-

We wanted to write to you regarding a 'spoof' McDonald's advert that is out at the moment - we believe that it was first released last June (2023), but it seems to be making a comeback. It is based on an old McDonald's children's character called Grimace.

The advert is about 'Grimace Milkshakes'; a purple milkshake which is fatal if drunk. The advert seems very harmless on the face of it, however is not something we believe the children should be watching, which if seen, we think you'll agree.

We wanted you to be aware, as some of our younger children have mentioned this in the past couple of days - parents have been notified. We believe this is something that you would potentially think to be harmless at a glance and so wanted to bring it to your attention.

Please ensure security settings and parameters are set on devices at home and also that you are aware of what children are viewing.

An image of the advert is here to support with identifying it:



D & S Swim School LTD-

D&S Swim school offer a 13 week swimming course in Boughton Monchelsea. These sessions take place on Monday's and Wednesday's between 4-7pm (30 minute sessions).

This is for children aged 3 years and up, with the classes having 4-5 pupils.

Booking is required for this and for more information you can contact- dandsswimschool@gmail.com. (Leaflet also attached).

Messy Church Easter-

On **Saturday 30th March St Mary's Church**, Lenham is hosting an Easter Messy Church Event.

This event includes meeting at the Church at 3pm and going on a walk to learn about the Easter story. There are then activities, hot cross bus, songs and more back at Church.

Leaflet is again attached for more details.

Wishing you all a lovely and restful weekend.

Kind regards,

Emma Hickling
Executive Headteacher