



Friday 28th March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope 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. Also Lauren my PA can be contacted at Iriby@aspire-kent.org.uk. Any requests for meetings or appointments can be made through Lauren - thank you.

BOWLES 2025-

Next academic year Aspire will again be going to Bowles Rocks in Tunbridge Wells for a three day (two nights) residential educational adventure activity course. Children in Years 5 and 6 from across the Aspire Federation of schools are invited to attend.

The residential will run from **Wednesday 3rd December to Friday 5th December 2025**. There will also be some different activities, such as orienteering, archery and skiing.

Cost per child for accommodation, full board catering and instructed activities is **£213 (£110 if your child receives free school meals)**.

In order to book your child onto this trip you will need to confirm this by Wednesday 2nd April. All forms need to be sent to Platts Heath Primary School. Please email your forms to office@plattsheathkentsch.org.uk. (Paper copies and money to go to your own school office) The Trip may be paid as a lump sum or by instalments, however the balance must be paid by 17th October 2025.

We know that children in the past have really enjoyed this experience and it is a great opportunity for them to build on their independence and participate in exciting activities!

Your Votes are Needed!

Some children from Leeds and Broomfield have been judged to be finalists for their Podcast entry following a visit from the Kent Police regarding online safety. Congratulations to them! Please view this podcast at- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=thHs_v5vI-A

The online public vote opens **today Friday 28th March at 7am**. The winning school will be the one with the most votes and will receive a trophy in recognition of their efforts.

You are able to cast a vote every 24 hours so you can re-vote to support this podcast. Voting closes on Thursday 3rd April at 5pm.

To submit your vote, visit collaboratedigital.com.

I hope you will join me and cast your votes to boost this Podcast as a winner! Thank you, as always, for your support.

Lenham Open Mornings-

Lenham School is offering open evenings for Year 5 children and parents/carers.

These tours start at 9.30am on various dates in June 2025. These mornings give all the opportunity to visit the school during the day and are led by a member of the Leadership Team. These events require booking at - <https://www.thelenham.viat.org.uk/4960/admissions-september-2026>

Easter Activity-

St Mary's Church, Lenham is holding an Easter Event on **Saturday 19th April**. This is a 'Cross Country to The Cross'.

This will begin at St Mary's Church from 3pm (to leave at 3.30pm) and will offer the opportunity to explore the amazing Easter Story along the route.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend as we enter the last week of Term 4.

Kind regards,

Emma Hickling
Executive Headteacher