

Friday 3rd October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week.

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.

REMINDER- Year 6 Information Meeting-

Just a reminder of the virtual meeting regarding secondary transfer.

At this meeting I will explain the process and discuss things to consider when you are making your choices.

This will take place via Google Meet at 6pm on Tuesday 7th October 2025

The link to the meeting is:

Secondary Transfer meeting for year 6 parents

Thursday 7th October - 6:00 - 7:00pm

Google Meet joining info

Meeting ID meet.google.com/ngc-ucfn-sek

Competition-

Maidstone Borough Council have launched an exciting art competition, and are asking people to make a design to help shape the look of one of Maidstone's recycling trucks!

This is a chance to get creative and inspire your community to Recycle, Reduce, Reuse. They are looking for bold, imaginative artwork that delivers a powerful environmental message in a fun and eye-catching way.

The winning design will be featured on a real recycling truck and the creative will win £200 of vouchers!

Competition launches 1st October, download your template, get designing, and help drive change in Maidstone.

✓ Visit the website to find out more and enter <u>Inspire the design for MBCs recycling truck - MBC News Website</u>

Family Support Team Sessions-

Please find below details of upcoming 'Understanding Autism' sessions, designed and delivered by the Family Support Team. These sessions will be relaxed, accessible and grounded in real-life examples.

This is aimed at parents/carers who have a child on the autism pathway or are considering Autism diagnosis. However, parents/carers who have a diagnosed child are welcome and content will still be relevant.

Date: Wednesday 5th November, 10:15AM - 13:30pm Maidstone Community Support Centre, Marsham Street, Maidstone, ME14 1HH- Cost: £12.50 per ticket

To book visit - **BOOK HERE**

Event-

The RAF Manston History Museum, a history museum located in Manston, Kent, dedicated to preserving and educating the public on the history of Manston as an airfield.

The Museum is holding a Modelfest at The Museum event in the October half term, between the 18th and 26th October. This event is a display of different models from several different brands, featuring aircraft and trains, among many others.

Parent support groups-

Please see attached a leaflet regarding various support groups with Bower Grove School, Maidstone.

These can be accessed in person or online and they vary from managing anxiety, strategies to support behaviour and transition support.

To access this, please see the leaflet attached or call 01622 726773 for more information.

Wishing you all a lovely and restful weekend.

Kind regards,

Emma Hickling
Executive Headteacher