

Friday 7th November 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 <a href="mailto:exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk">exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk</a> between 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday for queries and questions. Also Lauren my PA can be contacted at <a href="mailto:lriby@aspire-kent.org.uk">lriby@aspire-kent.org.uk</a>. Any requests for meetings or appointments can be made through Lauren - thank you.

## Reminder for Primary School Applications-

Applications for entry to Primary School, for any of those with school aged children, **are open from today until Thursday 15th January 2026** and can be made at <a href="https://www.kent.gov.uk/ola">www.kent.gov.uk/ola</a>

If you are unable to access the online site, an alternative format can be requested by emailing kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk

## Reminder for Kent Adult Education Courses-

Please be reminded of the various classes available to support parents/carers from now until December for various groups within and around Maidstone.

These are all online workshops to support with various areas, including- understanding Resilience, understanding Behaviour, understanding Autism and understanding Anxiety, among other aspects.

In order to view this and book a place visit- https://www.nelft.nhs.uk/services-kent-medway

## Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme for Christmas 2025-

Automated EVouchers for the Christmas holidays is the next HAF Programme. This will enable children receiving benefits related to free school meals to access free holiday provision for 16 hours a week, for up to one week.

For more information for those eligible parents, please visithttps://www.theeducationpeople.org/holiday-activities-and-food-programme-kent-haf/

## **Maidstone Girls Grammar School Open Event-**

The next Open Event at MGGS is taking place on Wednesday, 19th November 2025, regarding Drama. 4.00pm - 5.00pm

This taster lesson in Drama covers 'Improvisation' including Drama games and improvisational skills to help build confidence, encourage teamwork and have fun!

In order to book a place visit-

https://www.mggs.org/joining-us/joining-our-year-7/open-events-for-joining-in-year-7/#y5transition

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

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