



Friday 5th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas Break and a positive start to the New Year. We were pleased to welcome all back on Tuesday for the start of 2024!

I am writing with my usual weekly letter of news and information. I can be contacted at [exehead@aspire-kent.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:lriby@aspire-kent.org.uk). Any requests for meetings or appointments can be made through Lauren - thank you.

I would like to thank you all for sending your child/children into school so early to the start of the new year and for them being ready to continue their learning journeys with enthusiasm and positivity.

### **Netball Club-**

Aces Netball Club is coming to Kent recruiting members from Y3 - Y6, with two new ventures!

Training is on Fridays at The Lenham School, Ham Lane, Lenham, ME17 2LL from 17:30 - 19:45 depending on the age group.

These sessions are led by UKCC qualified coaching team, who are also DBS, First Aid and Safeguarding trained. For more information on our coaching team, please visit their website. <https://www.acesnetballclub.co.uk/>

### **Calling all sporting superstars!**

We are very aware that many of our children take part in sporting activities outside of school time. This is something we want to celebrate and encourage. Whether you attend a boxing club, swim, dance, ice skate or have golf lessons, we want to know about all of it!

If you would like to share your sporting achievement, please send in a picture to your school office that we can use for a whole school display. Pictures should be no bigger than half an A4 size.

I look forward to speaking to you all about your sporting activities!

### **Keeping warm this Winter-**

Prolonged cold weather can be a risk for anyone although vulnerable people, including the elderly and those with long-term medical conditions, are particularly at risk.

Please keep your friends and family safe and warm this winter and support anyone who may require additional help during this time. For any families who are struggling with food and heating due to the living crisis please visit <https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/cost-of-living-support> for additional support.

Wishing you all a lovely and restful weekend. I am sure there will be lots more exciting events to inform you of in the coming weeks of this term.

Kind regards,

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Executive Headteacher