

Friday 4th April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a good last week of term. I am writing with my usual weekly letter of news and information.

Please note that during the Easter Holidays, I will not be monitoring my emails on a daily basis, but will endeavour to respond to anything urgent.

I can be contacted at exechead@aspire-kent.org.uk. 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.

Bikeability-

Last week, Miss Liddicoat and 4 members of staff from Aspire attended Bikeability training to allow all Aspire schools to deliver a KS1 Bikeability provision.

Having entered a competition (4 times!) Aspire was successful in gaining £2000 worth of training, balance bikes and helmets for each school!

Each school now has 6 brand new balance bikes and helmets - Year 2 will begin their Bikeability training in term 6.

Congratulations to Mrs Antonio Tepetla (Platts Heath), Mrs Webb (Ulcombe), Mrs Maclaurin (Leeds and Broomfield), Miss Shore (Kingswood) and Miss Liddicoat (Aspire) for passing their training!

KS1 Ball Skills-





Last week, children from KS1 attended a Ball Skills Festival at Aylesford Rugby Club. The idea of the event was to give children a starting point in Netball and to use a

variety of games to introduce them to some skills and tactics within the sport.



The sun was shining and the children looked fab in our new #TEAMASPIRE bibs!
Well done to all who took part, we had a lot of fun!

You will be aware that children have been sent home with their Annual Reports this week. We encourage you to return the slip attached to these reports to confirm receipt and with any comments that you wish to make.

Should you have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your Head of School to discuss this further.

Easter Trail-

Reports-

The RAF Manston History Museum, a History Museum located in Manston, Kent, will be holding an Open Cockpit event on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th April, as well as a Easter Museum Trail from the 5th to the 21st April.

Please see posters attached for further information about both events or visit their website-RAF Manston History Museum – RAF Manston History Museum.

Activities for the Holidays-

Please see below some suggestions of activities/places to visit during the Easter Holidays for all ages and families-

https://kentattractions.co.uk/events/25-off-at-diggerland-kent/

https://kentattractions.co.uk/events/mischief-at-the-museum-the-bugs-that-came-too/

https://familiesonline.co.uk/kent/whats-on-kent-easter-activities/

https://kesr.org.uk/easterholiday/

https://daleletstravel.com/easter-events-kent-uk/

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--maidstone/kent-kids-half-term/

https://www.visitsoutheastengland.com/events/things-to-do-and-events-at-

easter?p=6#:~:text=18th%20%2D%2020th%20April%2025%2C%20Giant,%2C%20Blenheim%

20Palace%2C%20Woodstock%2C%20Oxfordshire

https://leeds-castle.com/events/easter-at-leeds-castle/

https://kent.muddystilettos.co.uk/things-to-do/for-kids/easter-activities-in-kent/

Please also see attached leaflet detailed multiple places where children can eat FREE or for a £1 during this time.

Free School Meal Vouchers-

For those families who receive Free School Meals, please look out for your food voucher for use during the Easter Holidays.

Term 5-

We look forward to wishing everyone back to school on **Tuesday 22nd April 2025**. I am sure you will join me in giving Mrs Parsons, new Head of School at Ulcombe, a warm welcome after the Easter Holidays.



Thank you for your support and kindness during my time leading Ulcombe, I have enjoyed my time in School and seeing the progress over this past year. I will remain in Ulcombe two days a week next term and will continue to be available for all parents.

Wishing you all a lovely break, with lots of chocolate and new memories to be formed....fingers crossed for sunshine!

Kind regards,

Emma Hickling
Executive Headteacher