Aspire Academy Curriculum Newsletter



Eco Council

At Aspire this year we have begun an 'Eco Council' run by Miss McGuiness and Miss Forsdyke. The children were invited to apply to be on the council and attend regular meetings to discuss how we can make better eco friendly choices in and around Aspire.

Last month we took part in 'No Mow May' which meant our grass wasn't cut for the month of May to allow for wildflowers to grow to encourage the breeding of insects and other creatures.

This term the Eco Council are running their own assembly to launch the LSEAT Eco poster competition. Please see below for details.

Aspire classes

Donaldson class - Mrs Phillips Coelho class - Mrs Adebiyi/Ms McGuinness Silverstein Class - Miss Stanislaus Lear Class - Miss Hage Milligan Class - Miss Kelsey Rosen Class - Mrs Smith

This Terms topic: Looking after our world

This term our Geography topic focuses on 'looking after our world'. Each class is focusing on a different area including looking after our local area and global issues such as single use plastics and marine life.

During this unit the children will think about how we can make adaptations to the way we live to better look after the world we live in and each child will make an art canvas to display in the hall focusing on an area they are passionate about.

Eco Poster Competition rules

- Create a poster to let everyone know about the Global goals
- You can choose to focus on as many or as few goals as you like
- Mrs Arkwright, Mrs Hopkins and Ms McGuinness will judge the entries and choose the top three to win a prize.
- The top three will be entered into a competition with other schools in the trust and the winners will receive an environmental prize to the value of £50
- The winning entries will be turned into posters that will be displayed in all the schools across the trust.
- Your poster must be colourful, eye-catching and have both writing and pictures.
- It must completed by Friday 16th June 2023.

The posters will be made in school this week.

Follow us on Twitter to see what goes on at Aspire.

@LSEATAspire



Tuesday 20th June -Endeavour Academy Open Evening

This is for year 5 parents/carers and children interested in a placement at Endeavour for September 2024 and also any year 6 parents/carers who wish to revisit ahead of September 2023, 3:15pm start.

This is a chance to meet key staff at Endeavour, find out more about the school offer and have a tour. Our representative from SEN Bexley will be attending to answer any questions regarding the Secondary transfer process. Please let Aspire know if you wish to collect your child a little earlier to attend this.

Monday 26th June - 11.30am - 12.30pm

Virtual Coffee Morning for Year 6 parents who have children attending Endeavour in September 2023. Key members of staff will attend the virtual coffee morning so you have the opportunity to ask any questions regarding start times, uniform, lunches etc ahead of September.

Please ask Aspire if you need the link for this to be resent.

Dates for the Term

More details to follow on trips in individual letters.

Thursday 8th June - year 5 BMX sessions (six weeks)

Thursday 15th June - Yr 5/ 6 athletics tournament

Friday 9th June - NSPCC sponsored event

Monday 12th June - Litter pick (Lear, Rosen, Milligan)

Friday 16th June - Litter pick (Donaldson)

Friday 23rd June - Football V Endeavour

Thursday 29th June and Thursday 13th July - Yr 6 transition to Endeavour

Wednesday 5th July - Year 3 / 4 athletics competition 3pm

Friday 7th July - Donaldson class to Chessington

Friday 7th July - Children's university graduation ceremony at Civic Offices Bexleyheath. Approx 4:30pm. TBC

Tuesday 11th July Lear class to gravity

Friday 14th July - Whole school prize giving assembly. Parents invited

Monday 17th July - Whole school inflatable day. 3pm - 6pm - Year 6 leavers event

Tuesday 18th July - Whole school trip to Danson Park

Wednesday 19th July - Sports day AM

Wednesday 19th July - End of Term 1pm

Forest school area

Lots of work went on last half term to continue establishing our Forest School area.. The children are really enjoying accessing this and watching it develop.





Our New Outdoor reading area









We have continued to develop our outside play areas with new monkey bars, a rope traverse and a new swing.





Last term 17 pupils from year 5 and 6 with 6 staff went to a PGL residential trip for 2 nights. Great fun was had by both staff and children.

We are already booked in for next year !!!





Other information

Uniform Reminders

Grey shorts/trousers/skirt White/school logo polo shirt Purple Aspire jumper/fleece Black school shoes

Trainers are only permitted on PE days.

PE Kit - Purple Aspire T shirt, black jogging bottoms/shorts, Aspire jumper/fleece, trainers

After school clubs

Mondays 3pm - 4pm: Football or art and design

Wednesdays 3pm - 4pm: Athletics or animal club

Please sign up for these clubs using return slip on letter.

PE

We are fortunate at Aspire to have a PE coach who teaches all classes on a weekly basis on a Tuesday.

This half terms focus will be Handball. Pupils are to wear their PE kits to school every Tuesday. This is purple Aspire T shirts, black bottoms and trainers. Pupils to wear school jumpers or fleeces.

Mrs Phillips class also have weekly swimming lessons on a Wednesday at Crook Log sports centre.

Music

Mrs Matthews from Bexley music will be teaching music sessions in Mrs Smith and Miss McGuiness' classes.

Golden time

Pupils at Aspire earn minutes throughout the day which are used for golden time at 2:30pm.

Minutes are earned through completion of work and following the Aspire rules.

Pupils who have not completed all their work will complete this during the golden time session or may be required to stay after school.

Green Letters

Pupils can earn a green letter for having a good day at Aspire and making the staff and themselves feel proud. If your child comes home with a green letter please celebrate this with them.

During Friday's achievement assembly pupils can earn a gold certificate (5 green letters) or a silver certificate (4 green letters) as well as certificates for upholding the Aspire values.

Over the year the class green letters are added together to earn the class money for a reward treat. Last years treats included: ice cream at the park, pizza for lunch and trips to gravity.







Aspire Core Values





- A Achievement
- S synergy
- P Perseverance
- I Independence
- R -Responsibility
- **E** Equality

WE DO IT THE ASPIRE WAY!
Pupils are working hard to learn and uphold
the Aspire Values.