

Hall Grove School Newsletter



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Our very best wishes to the Hall Grove Choristers who are off on their exciting tour to Liverpool and Manchester this weekend. They may be heard in separate broadcasts on the BBC Radio 4 (LW) Daily Service, 'live' on Monday 8th February and pre-recorded on Monday 15th February, from 0945 to 1000. We will be holding a special Assembly on Monday to hear the live broadcast and all are welcome to join us.

Half-term is rapidly approaching and there is no doubt that the pupils are ready for a well-deserved break. We hope for some fine early Spring weather soon.

Scholarship News

We are delighted to report that Lizzie Davis was successful in winning an academic scholarship to Sherborne School for Girls, and that Kabir Bhalla won an Art Scholarship to Lord Wandsworth College. Our warmest congratulations to them both.

Black School Coats

It has come to our attention that there is an issue with black coats going missing and being borrowed, a number of which appear to be unnamed. All coats must be clearly identified with a name tape sewn on to the back of the collar and also the child's name written on the label attached to the side seam. It is imperative that all children's uniform and property brought into school is clearly marked.

Headlice

There have been cases of headlice reported in all sections of the school. We would ask you to check all members of your family this weekend and, if lice are found, treat as soon as possible with the lotion recommended by your chemist. Regular checks at home are important. Lice spread rapidly and, if we are going to keep the problem at bay, we do need your co-operation.

Target 2010 - Lifeguard Needed

We require a qualified lifeguard to help out during Summer Camp this year. If you know anyone who has this qualification and would be interested in earning some extra money during the four week period between 12th July - 6th August, please contact Sarah D'Silva at s.dsilva@hallgrove.surrey.sch.uk or on 01276 451942.

Hall Grove Hockey Masterclass

Following an earlier advertisement, spaces are filling up for the SJB Academy Hockey Masterclass and training session which is taking place at Hall Grove on Monday 15th February. Olympic Gold Medallist and Cranleigh School Hockey Co-ordinator Steve Batchelor brings his expertise and coaching to both boys and girls from Year 4 upwards. This is an exceptional opportunity for pupils of any ability to receive the highest level of tuition currently available. For more information and to pick up a booking slip, please pop into the School Office.

Surrey U15 Girls' Rugby

Many congratulations to Eleanor Boatman (Year 8) who has been selected to represent the South Region at U15 girls' rugby in the RFUW (RFU for Women) 2010 Regional Programme. It is a tremendous achievement as she is one of the youngest girls to have been selected. She now has a busy schedule over the next few months with various training sessions and matches against other regions, culminating in the Regional Youth Festival held in April. The Regional programme gives the RFUW staff a chance to monitor the girls who demonstrate the potential to progress within the game at an early stage – it is the main pathway forward for any budding future England woman rugby player – so Eleanor has every chance to show her potential even at the age of 12!

U13 Surrey County Cricket

Many congratulations also to Gabby Dunnage (Year 7) who has been selected for the U13 Surrey County Cricket Squad.

Sports News

Girls' Hockey

4th February v Feltonfleet U9 A VII lost, U9 B VII won, U8 A VII lost

Boys' Hockey

4th February v St. Andrew's U9 A VII lost, U9 B VII won

Girls' Cross Country at Eagle House

The girls' teams performed with great grit and determination and must be congratulated on their fine 3rd place in the Under 11s race, with Amy Adams finishing 5th and Francesca Davies 6th. In the senior competition, Hall Grove filled the first three places: 1st place Lianne Lafreniere, 2nd Charlotte Daly and 3rd Eleanor Boatman. However, the team were narrowly beaten into 2nd place overall by Marsdon House. Well done to all the girls who competed, the training is paying off.

Boys' Cross Country at Sunningdale

Both our junior and senior team won comfortably in great races. Special mention must go to Aaron Goss and Felix Stewart in the Juniors and Stirling Burrow and Charlie Wheeler in the Seniors for fantastic displays of running. Very well done to the whole team.

Boys' Hockey House Matches - Saturday 6th February

Years 5 and 6 House Matches begin at 0900 and should be finished by 1020. Goalies should arrive at 0830 and the rest of the boys should be here by 0845.

Years 7 and 8 House Matches begin at 1020 and should be finished by 1140. Goalies should arrive at 1000 and the rest of the boys should be here by 1010.

Calendar Amendment for Girls' Hockey on Wednesday 10th February

The U11 A and B teams v Feltonfleet starting at 1430 are now both home matches to enable the teams to play on our astro pitch. Consequently, the U11 C match v Greenfield will now start at 1510 at Hall Grove.

'Cake a Difference' Morning - Friday 12th February

Parents are invited to a 'Cake a Difference' coffee morning for the 'Kiss for Bliss' campaign. A kiss is such an instinctive way to show your love and affection – imagine if you were unable to kiss or touch your newborn baby.... Please join me in the Hall Grove Cricket Pavilion after drop-off on Friday 12th February for a cup of coffee and a cupcake. It is all in aid of BLISS, the premature baby charity for whom I am doing this year's Virgin London Marathon in memory of my daughter, Gaby. Please do drop in for coffee and a chat with friends, I would love to see you there. If you cannot make it and would like to make a difference then please go to my fundraising page at: www.justgiving.com/Tanya-Thompson. See you next Friday in the Pavilion!

Tanya Thompson

French Students

A French family are looking for two English homes to send their 13 and 14 year old daughters to next July. They would very much consider an exchange and welcome similar age English girls to spend time in France with them (Fontainebleau area, south of Paris). Alternatively, both French girls have experience of looking after young children and would be happy to stay with an English family and help look after their children. For further information, please contact Juliette Duggan-Hill on 07590 378808.

To Rent

One bedroom studio annexe with kitchenette and separate entrance in South Ascot. Available from 15th February, would suit single person. £650 per month, all inclusive. If interested, please call 07795 212127.

Morning Childminder Wanted

Urgently required... somebody to look after a two-year-old (Lila) from no later than 0800 to 0830, then dropping her off at Little Grove. Could suit a nanny or parent with children at both Little Grove and Hall Grove. If anybody is interested or can help out, please contact Mr Waltho (j.waltho@hallgrove.surrey.sch.uk or 01276 470004).

