

Hall Grove School Newsletter



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Last month the school obtained planning permission for a two storey extension at the back of the dining hall which will enable us to accommodate a new school library and an additional subject room. We are hoping to start work on site this Autumn.

Two recent television programmes have led to quite a lot of debate amongst Hall Grove staff and parents; they may be worth seeing on BBC iPlayer. The first was a documentary filmed at Sunningdale School following three young boarders experiencing a very traditional schooling, and the second was the concluding episode of Gareth Malone's Extraordinary School for Boys which featured a group of youngsters whose educational performance was dramatically enhanced by taking on a range of challenges and physical activities. In a week when our own Year 7 were enjoying fieldwork exercises in Devon, Year 6 spent a day of leadership and teamwork training in the Hall Grove woods and other classes had also taken advantage of the many practical activities available at Hall Grove, one can be pleased to feel that our school is committed to such a broad and balanced curriculum.

St George's College, Weybridge

Last week the Headmaster attended the annual Prize Giving at St. George's College, Weybridge.

IAPS Heads Conference

The annual conference of the Prep School Association is to be held in Westminster on Monday and Tuesday next week. The Headmaster will be attending.

Mouthguard Fitting - Tuesday 28th September

OPRO, the dental organisation that specialises in mouthguards, will be conducting mouthguard fittings at Hall Grove on Tuesday 28th September. Forms need to be returned to OPRO if you wish to obtain a mouthguard for your child/children from them. Additional forms are available from the School Office. Please be aware that every child from Year 2 upwards must have a mouthguard in school, whether it be one purchased from a sports shop, one supplied and fitted by their own dentist or one supplied and fitted by OPRO.

Parents' Forum - Thursday 30th September

Parents are invited to attend the open forum next Thursday. The discussion will start at 1900, drinks will be available from 1830. The meeting will be held in the Admiral Room.

Girls, Girls, Girls!

The Boarding House hosted a very successful 'Girls Only' evening on Monday. Fifteen stayed for the night, enjoying an evening of make-up, manicure etc, rounded off by a sing-along showing of Mamma Mia. Great fun was had by all! The next 'Girls Only' night will be on Thursday 2nd December, restricted to Years 4 and 5. Book early to avoid disappointment by emailing Mrs Tilley (l.tilley@hallgrove.surrey.sch.uk) or the School Office (office@hallgrove.surrey.sch.uk).

New School Website

We have been working hard on a new Hall Grove website which will go live shortly.

Sports News

Netball

22nd September v Lambrook 2nd VII won, U10 B VII won, 1st VII, U11 VII and U10 A VII lost

Football

22nd September v Hoe Bridge 3rd XI won, 4th XI won, Colts A XI won, Colts B XI won, Colts C XI won, U10 B VII won, U10 C VII drew, 1st XI, U10 A VII and U10 D VII lost

Weekend Fixtures - Saturday 25th September

Football v King's House 2nd XI and Colts A XI to meet at Hall Grove by 0940 for home matches starting at 1000. 1st XI, Colts B XI and U10 A VII to meet at Hall Grove at 0850 for away matches starting at 1000 (please note the matches are played at the Chiswick Civil Service Grounds and not at King's House School).

Fundraising Gift Wrap Sale

As in previous years, we are enclosing details of the Northbrook Gift Wrap sale. This is an excellent opportunity to purchase Christmas and birthday wrapping paper alongside other associated items. Please return completed order forms to the School Office before half term. All profits made will go to charity.

St John's School, Leatherhead – Open Events

Friday 1st October from 1800 to 2030 and Saturday 2nd October from 0900 to 1130.

Have a tour of the school and hear the Headmaster, Nicholas Haddock, and pupils talk about life at St John's. The tour will include an opportunity to see The Henry Dawes Centre, a new classroom block that includes the School Library, Art Studios and D&T Workshops. The Headmaster will talk at 1845, 1930 and 2000 on Friday and 0945, 1030 and 1100 on Saturday. Girls and Boys 13-18. Day and Boarding (weekly and full). www.stjohnsleatherhead.co.uk

Nanny/Housekeeper Wanted

Part-time nanny/housekeeper wanted as soon as possible for four days a week. Please contact Jennifer Taylor on 01276 489027 or email jst@dwgt.com for further information.

