

# Hall Grove School Newsletter



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*World Book Day was celebrated in good style by the boys and girls of Years 3, 4 and 5 when they dressed as their favourite characters. Most memorable were Tabitha Norrey and Jana van Eeden as Pippi Longstocking, Fergus Reilly as The Hobbit, Harriet Chappell as the grandmother from George's Marvellous Medicine, George Taylor as Willy Wonka and Olivia Jackson as Dennis the Menace.*

*The Upper School enjoyed a most interesting presentation from Gap Student James Woolsey on his recent visit to Berlin, following an excellent talk by the Deputy Mayor of Surrey Heath, Counsellor Tim Dodds, on the famous spy novel, 'The spy who came in from the cold'. Mr Dodds presented the school with some copies of the novel and also promoted the Literary Festival that he is organising for May.*

*Our thanks to Mr Slape for organising a special theatre outing to the new production of the Wizard of Oz at the London Palladium. The behaviour and conduct of the 60 children who went was exemplary and they all had a brilliant time.*

## **World Book Day**

Every child has been given a £1 World Book Day token that can be used against purchases from our Scholastic catalogue or at participating book shops. Hall Grove is dedicated to having an ever-increasing selection of new and exciting books for the children and, to date, over the past five years with your help purchasing from our fairs and catalogues, the Library has managed to benefit from over £6,000 worth of free books. Thank you for your support.

## **Scholarship News**

Lianne Lafreniere has won a major Sports Exhibition at King Edward's School, Witley. Many congratulations to her. We await further news of other award candidates next week.

## **Hall Grove Blog**

The school blog is now up and running on our website. It can be accessed from the homepage and will be updated on a regular basis during term time. Recent additions include a Reception video. Take a look!

## **Years 7 and 8 Parent Interview Schedules**

Years 7 and 8 parents will find enclosed the schedules for the Parent Interviews taking place on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Instrumental Competition**

The Instrumental Competition will be taking place towards the end of this term. The competition will be divided into sections, taking place over four different mornings. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to perform in a friendly environment and receive constructive feedback from external adjudicators. We would encourage all pupils who play an instrument to take part, even if they have not yet completed their preparation and are only able to play a portion or, in the case of pianists, just with one hand. Children who have lessons in school will be entered by their teachers and entry forms for pupils who have lessons outside school are available from the Music Department. Please contact Miss Taylor ([r.taylor@hallgrove.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:r.taylor@hallgrove.surrey.sch.uk) or 01276 470008) if you require any further information.

## Downhill Only!

Congratulations to Jamie Chilver-Stainer (Year 5) for gaining 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the famous Downhill Only Ski Club Mid-Winter Giant Slalom in Wengen, Switzerland, during half-term. This is a great achievement at a location that has been closely linked with British skiing since the earliest days of the sport. Well done, Jamie!

## Sports News

### Girls' Hockey

2 <sup>nd</sup> March v The Marist	1 <sup>st</sup> VII won, 2 <sup>nd</sup> VII lost
2 <sup>nd</sup> March v Greenfield	U11 VII lost, U10 B VII won
2 <sup>nd</sup> March v Holme Grange	U10 A VII won

### Girls' Hockey Matches for next week

On Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> VII will be playing hockey against Oakfield before going on tour to the New Forest. Both matches are at home - 1<sup>st</sup> VII at 1430 and 2<sup>nd</sup> VII at 1500. On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March the U9 and U8 Feltonfleet Hockey Tournament will be starting at 1400.

### Boys' Hockey

2 <sup>nd</sup> March v St. Andrew's	Colts B XI drew, 1 <sup>st</sup> XI, 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI, 4 <sup>th</sup> XI and Colts A XI lost
2 <sup>nd</sup> March v Parkside	U10 A VII won, 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI, Colts C XI and U10 B VII lost
3 <sup>rd</sup> March v St. Andrew's	U9 A VII won, U9 B VII lost, U9 C VII lost, U9 D VII drew

### Weekend Fixtures - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Boys' Hockey v Parkside	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI to meet at Hall Grove at 1010 for a home match starting at 1030
	Colts A and B VII to meet at Hall Grove at 1110 for home matches starting at 1130

### Bradfield Hockey Tournament - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March

Ten U11 boys and girls will be selected for the Bradfield Hockey Tournament, scheduled on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March. The team sheets will go up early next week. The tournament begins at 1015 and will finish around 1645. The teams are to meet Mr Heanley and Mrs Lewis at Bradfield.

## Football Kits for Gambian Children

Donations of unwanted football shirts and shorts to be sent to Gambian children should be handed to Mr Tomlinson or Mr Tullett in the Sports Office by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March. For further information, please contact Julia Wills on 07811 871365.

## Forthcoming Senior School Open Day

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June, Winchester College will be holding an Open Day for parents of boys aged between 8 and 10 (Years 3, 4 and 5) who have not already been registered. Please see 'Admissions' on their website ([www.winchestercollege.org](http://www.winchestercollege.org)) for further information.

## School Uniform Shop

The School Uniform Shop will be open at the following times over the Easter holidays:

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	0900 - 1100
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	0900 - 1100

## Radio Times Royal Wedding Cover Competition

What better way to be part of the occasion than to have your design featured on the front cover of the Radio Times Magazine in over one million British households on the week of the Royal Wedding. Well, here is your chance! All you need to do is collect a cover template and consent form from Mrs Lavery and get creative. You can use any medium you choose - drawing, painting, collage or anything else you can think of. Return your completed design and consent form to Mrs Lavery by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March and she will post all the entries. After the closing date, the panel of judges from the Radio Times will choose their favourites from the three age categories, and the winners of each category will have their design on the Radio Times Souvenir Issue cover! The age categories are: 8 years old and younger; 9 to 12 years old; and 13 to 18 years old. All terms and conditions can be found on the Radio Times website ([www.radiotimes.com/royal-wedding/terms.html](http://www.radiotimes.com/royal-wedding/terms.html)).

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