

Hall Grove School Newsletter



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What a week! There has been a huge range of activity celebrating the work of William Shakespeare, a dry run for next year when schools across the country mark his 450th birthday! We are delighted with the way children of all ages have learnt some of the stories and acted out extracts. There have been two visits to The Globe, some great assembly talks and many workshops. Friday evening promises to be a mixture of theatre and circus with lots of 'pop up' scenes acted out and a suitably cut down version of Macbeth. Our thanks to everyone who made it happen, and especially to our actor in residence for the week, the very talented author, actor and story teller Chris Connaughton.

We wish you all a full and happy Summer break.

Year 8 Destination Schools

As previously reported, once again this year all CE candidates were accepted at their first choice schools.

These are the schools of entry for the boys and girls leaving Year 8 this term:

Bradfield College – Wai Tsun Dai (Sports Scholarship) and Alexander Simmons

Bryanston – Oliver Hadden-Wight

Christ's Hospital – William Silverthorne

Duke of Kent – Harvey James

Edgebarrow – Eithan Hughes (place applied for)

Hampton – Patrick Ardill (Academic Scholarship and All Rounder*), Edward Butler (Academic and Music Scholarships),

Charlie Longford (Academic Scholarship* and All Rounder), Henry McLeod

Licensed Victuallers' School – Sidharth Bhagat

Lord Wandsworth College – Elliot Cook, George Janes, Thomas Walker (All Rounder Award)

Pangbourne College – Charlie Jameson

RGS, Guildford – Adam Wills (Academic Scholarship* and Music Scholarship), Harry Francis, Yousuf Mirza

St. George's College – Marcus Dickson (Music Scholarship), Ben Soanes, Matthew Stevens

Salesian – Josh Nakarja

Sherborne – William Thorne

Wellington College – Ajeet Dale (Sports Scholarship), Henry Gadd, Hannah Gunning (Music Exhibition), Zac Jenkins (Duke of

York Golf Scholarship*), Ralph Perrins, Meg Shaw, Megan Vandenberg, Alexander Wessely

*Top Award

Staff News - A New Arrival!

Mr Marland (Year 6 teacher) and his wife are delighted to announce the birth of their son Patrick. We send them our warmest congratulations.

Summer Concert - Monday 8th July

Year 2 children will be singing in the Summer Concert on Monday 8th July. Please bring them to the benches at the front of New Hall at 1845. Thank you.

Prize Giving - Wednesday 10th July

Parents are welcome to attend Prize Giving on Wednesday at 1000 in New Hall. The prizes will be presented by Mrs Shirley Gibbons, and the guest speaker is Mrs Meirion Shaw. Parking will be available on the fields. The Prize List has been sent out with this newsletter and a paper copy is pinned up on the noticeboard under the arch. All Year 8 leavers will be called to the stage to receive their Common Entrance certificates and Leavers Medals.

End of Term Arrangements - Wednesday 10th July

Term ends on Wednesday 10th July. The collection times are as follows:

1115	Pre-Prep
1130	Years 3 and 4
1145	Years 5 and 6
1200	Years 7 and 8

Music Department

Summer Concert

Please be reminded that the Summer Concert will be on Monday 8th July at 1900. The three choirs and all school ensembles will be performing in the concert, so if your child is a member of any ensemble they will be expected to attend. If you wish them to stay at school for supper please ensure you book them in in the usual way; if your child is not staying, they should be returned to the Admiral Room by 1830. Blazers and jumpers are not required.

Instrumental Lessons

Allocations for pupils starting lessons next term will be sent out within the first couple of weeks of the Summer holiday.

Royal College of Music

If you are looking for something musical to do during the school holidays, the RCM has a super programme of activities that are well worth going to. Further information can be found at <http://www.rcm.ac.uk/sparks/events/>

Sports Day & Shakespeare Photos

A selection of Sports Day and Shakespeare photos are now available on the school website, with more to buy via the 'purchase photos' link on the home page. Password is **admiral**

Sports News

Well done to James Somper for his Bronze medal at the National Prep School Athletics Finals in the U13 High Jump at the Birmingham National Athletics Meeting. He jumped 146cm and the winner jumped 149cm.

Wednesday 3rd July

Cricket v Staines Prep
Colts A won

Sports Summer Team Photos - Tuesday 9th July

Please could parents ensure their child has clean sports kit at school on this day.

Girls Games Kit September 2013

Visuals of the new kit can be found on the girls games notice board. New kit can be purchased from the Uniform Shop. On match days the junior girls will need white skin, white top and red skort. Senior girls will need black skin, white top and red skort. Black sports lycra tights are available for year 3 upwards from the PlayerLayer website. www.playerlayer.com

School Reports, Newsletters, School Invoices and the Autumn Term Calendar

School reports, a newsletter containing information relating to next term and school invoices will be sent out to parents during the holidays. School insurance information will also be sent to parents during the Summer holidays by ClarionCall. A provisional copy of the Autumn Term Calendar will be available on the school website from the last day of term.

After School Clubs and TASC

Please note that the final clubs of this term are today. TASC will operate as usual until Tuesday 9th July, inclusive. Please remember to book any TASC requirements as it is likely to be busy.

Autumn Term 2013 After School Clubs

After School Clubs information for next term will be sent out via email at the beginning of next term. Clubs will start from Monday 16th September.

School Uniform Shop

During the Summer holiday the Uniform Shop will be open at the following times:

Saturday 24 th August	0930-1600
Friday 30 th August	0900-1200
Monday 2 nd September	0900-1200

During term-time, the Uniform Shop is open on Tuesdays from 0800 to 0915 and on Thursdays from 1500 to 1730.

Telephone: 01276 471029

There are changes to girls' sports kit for Years 3 - 8 (smart new shirts and skorts) and for boys in Years 5 - 8 (new Rugby/Football shirts). The old styles continue to be acceptable, but please buy the new styles when replacing old items.

Holiday Courses & Camps

Please see attachments on the school website for holiday courses and camps available.

FOHG Golf and Tennis Lessons Autumn 2013

Golf and tennis lessons are available on Saturdays and are open to all Hall Grove pupils. Please see attached FOHG Golf and Tennis Lesson information and form.

Tubs4Tablets

Hall Grove has registered to take part in the Flora (in partnership with Tesco) Tubs4Tablets scheme. Tokens can be found on special tubs of Flora Original and Flora Light 500g. For every 100 tokens collected, Hall Grove will receive a new Asus Memo Pad 172. There is no limit on the amount of free tablets that the school can claim. The tubs will be available from Tesco stores from 24th June and all applications for Asus tablets must be made by 27th September 2013.

Please help us claim as many as we can and return any of the special lids to the school office. Thank you

Newsletter Attachments

- Prize Winners List
- FOHG Golf and Tennis Lessons Autumn 2013
- Phonics for 4 Year Olds
- Summerfest

Any previous attachments are available on the school website.

Metropolitan Murder and Mystery: Lawless and the Devil of Euston Square

Our Latin teacher, Mr Sutton, will have his first novel republished on August 1st under a new title, Lawless and the Devil of Euston Square, by Exhibit A Books, the crime imprint of publisher Angry Robot. He has just talked himself hoarse recording the audio book, released simultaneously through Audio Go. As the Metropolitan Line excavations interweave with Bazalgette's new sewer network, Sergeant Campbell Lawless is drawn into London's underworld, mingling with Hoxton hoofers and railway royalty as he unearths scandal and stink beneath the gleaming cobblestones. The first in a series of Victorian thrillers featuring the Edinburgh detective, the book will be launched at Waterstone's, Gower St, a stone's throw from the starting point of the world's first underground railway 150 years ago. More at william-sutton.co.uk "*Extravagant and thoroughly enjoyable.*" (Allan Massie, *The Scotsman*), "*Engaging, smart and witty.*" (Paul Johnston), "*Insanely readable.*" (Waterstone's Brighton)

Phonics for 4 Year Olds

Phonics for 4 Year Olds run fun classes, in Bisley, covering both pre-reading and reading skills. To celebrate their 20th anniversary they are organising a big charity event in the form of a Phonics Fete, with every letter of the alphabet represented by a stall or activity. The event will be held on Sunday 8th September 1400-1700 at Bisley Parish Pavilion and recreation ground. The fete will raise funds for the Make-a-Wish Foundation UK who 'grant magical wishes to children and young people fighting life threatening conditions.' A flyer for the event is attached.

My Little Shoe Box - Children's Shoe Sale

Our Summer SALE has started, so come in and grab a bargain! If you need some sandals, shoes, trainers, canvas or flip flops for your holidays please pop in and see us at My Little Shoe Box, 29d High St, Sunninghill. We will also have a wide selection of school shoes in stock from 1st August. www.mylittleshoebox.co

Summerfest 2013

Summerfest 2013 is an inspirational week of music making! Choose from four genres: Rock, Pop, Broadway and Ensemble.

If you would like to write and perform your own musical, play your own instrument, perform as a group, sing and play the latest cool tunes or perform in a band then Summerfest is the event for you! For further information please see attachment, visit www.instrumentally.co.uk/summerfest or contact 01344 627300.