

Hall Grove School Newsletter



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Last night's Sport and Musical Tours meeting was well attended. We were very heartened by the positive reaction from parents to the various sporting, recreational and cultural tours being planned for the next two years. We will be sending home a summary of the tours programme so that everyone can see what is being organised.

As we approach the middle of the term we can reflect on some excellent sports results. The football has gone exceptionally well and the U9s remain undefeated at any level (27 matches, no losses) - fantastic boys, well done! Now we are beginning to prepare for the Rugby season and we hope large numbers of Years 7 and 8 will take advantage of the excellent coaching available over half term.

Senior School Fair

The fair that had been earmarked for Wednesday 16th October will be postponed until next term so that we can get more schools to attend.

Book Fair

A Book Fair is being held on the New Hall balcony from Monday 14th to Thursday 17th October. A huge selection of books will be available for children aged 4 to 13. Pre-Prep classes will have the opportunity to visit the fair during the week and older children can come in at breaktimes to browse. Your child may be given a slip to take home detailing books he/she would like. Please remember you are under no obligation to make a purchase but, if you would like to buy, please return the slip to Mr Waltho, together with a cheque for payment made out to Hall Grove School Ltd. Older children may pay with cash or a pre-written cheque. The fair will also be open for parents to visit on Monday and Tuesday between 1500 and 1630.

Upper School Expeditions Day - Friday 11th October

All the children in the Upper School have chosen from three outings - Alice Holt Forest, Ypres or Warwick Castle. It promises to be an exciting day for all concerned. Parents are reminded of the following:

Alice Holt Forest - The buses will depart at 0900 and return before the end of the school day. A packed lunch from home is required - please ensure your child is dressed in a school tracksuit and trainers.

Ypres - All passports must be handed to the School Office by Monday 7th October. Children are asked to arrive at Hall Grove in school uniform by 0600 for a cooked breakfast. The group should return to Hall Grove by 2130 and parents will be kept fully updated regarding the return time via ClarionCall. No food from home is required.

Warwick Castle - The coach will depart at 0830 so please ensure your child arrives in plenty of time. A packed lunch from home is required, children need to be in school uniform. The group will return to Hall Grove by 1700.

The King's New Clothes - Tuesday 15th October

The boys and girls in Year 8 Remove are delighted to present this short play which they have been working on in their drama lessons. Full of humour and eccentric characters, the witty script will make a thoroughly enjoyable watch. Parents and children from other year groups are also more than welcome to join the audience. The performance will take place on the stage (behind the stage curtains) and parents should be seated by 1855 for a prompt start at 1900 (the run time is approximately 20 minutes). On the evening of the performance it is expected that the cast will remain at school to prepare and they will be given supper before the audience arrives.

Harvest Festival Assembly - Friday 18th October

We are holding a special Harvest Festival Assembly at 0840 on Friday 18th October and all parents are welcome to attend. If you are able to come, please be in New Hall by 0830. Those children who would like to bring in any tinned, packet or home-made

produce (eg fruit, vegetables, chutney, jam, cakes etc) should take it to New Hall from 0815 on Friday morning. The gifts will be donated to elderly people living in Bagshot.

Grandparents' Afternoon and Country Fair - Friday 18th October

Do please invite 'senior relatives' to attend the Country Fair on Friday 18th October. Visitors are warned that the whole event is outdoor and there are limited facilities for the disabled. Whilst we hope the mild weather will continue, visitors are urged to dress warmly and be prepared for wet weather (last year we were unlucky and there was a deluge!).

Request from Matrons

If your child needs to take prescribed medication at school (such as a course of antibiotics or a regular medicine) please can you ensure that the 'Parental Consent for Prescribed Medication' form is completed and handed in at the School Office or to the Matrons together with the medication. The forms can be obtained from one of the Matrons, Mrs Bath or can be downloaded from the Hall Grove website under the 'Parents' heading and then 'Newsletter/Form downloads'.

Music Department

Notice Period

Please be reminded that if you wish your child to stop instrumental lessons or M:Tech club, there is an obligatory notice period. Instrumental teachers usually have such notice periods marked clearly on their invoices, but if in doubt you should ask them. M:Tech states the final date for notice at the bottom of each email. We simply cannot have Hall Grove parents getting a bad reputation for not paying just because of a small minority who do not give proper notice or believe that it does not apply to them. Many thanks for your understanding in this important matter.

Stowe Percussion Day

On Tuesday a group of five children went to spend the day at Stowe School in Buckinghamshire to learn more about the world of percussion. They worked with other children and the percussion tutor at Stowe to produce two pieces of music that incorporated a wide range of instruments, some of which they had never seen before! They were treated to demonstrations from other visitors (and managed to give a couple of demonstrations of their own) and also from two current pupils from Stowe which will have inspired all the drummers! A good time was had by all, not least of all at lunchtime!

Choristers

The Choristers' Assembly on Thursday was a lovely opportunity for parents to hear what we have been working on this term. They sang Jubilate Deo by Mozart, and an arrangement of three spirituals so beautifully begun by Amelia Litchfield - congratulations to them all for singing and reading so well. Please be reminded that the Choristers will be singing Evensong at Gloucester Cathedral at 1730 on Monday.

Middle School Informal Concert

We were treated to a delightful concert by Middle School children yesterday, many congratulations to them for their hard work. There is another Middle School Informal Concert next week, so do please come and support if you are able.

Sports News

Girls' Hockey

This week's girls' hockey results are as follows:

1 st VII v Lambrook	lost	4 - 1
2 nd VII v Lambrook	lost	8 - 2
U11 A v Lambrook	drew	2 - 2
U11 B v Lambrook	won	2 - 1
U11 C v Lambrook	lost	4 - 0
U10 A v Lambrook	lost	3 - 2
U10 B v Lambrook	lost	4 - 1
U9 A v Eagle House	won	3 - 2
U9 B v Eagle House	won	5 - 0

Weekend Netball and Girls' Hockey Tournaments - Saturday 5th October

Edgeborough Netball Tournament: U11 A to meet Mrs Maxfield at Hall Grove for an 0830 departure. The tournament starts at 0930.

Cranleigh Girls' Hockey Tournament: U13 A to meet Mrs Tilley at Hall Grove for an 1145 departure. The tournament starts at 1330.

Girls' Hockey Calendar Amendment

Please be advised that The Marist have cancelled the 1st and 2nd VII girls' hockey fixtures on Wednesday 16th October.

Football

This week's football results are as follows:

1 st XI v Yateley Manor	won	4 - 1
3 rd XI v Yateley Manor	won	5 - 2
4 th XI v Yateley Manor	won	4 - 1
Colts A v Rokeby	won	6 - 1

Colts A v Yateley Manor	lost	5 - 2
Colts B v Rokeby	drew	0 - 0
Colts B v Yateley Manor	drew	0 - 0
Colts C v Yateley Manor	won	5 - 0
Colts D v Yateley Manor	lost	3 - 0
U10 A v Yateley Manor	won	4 - 3
U10 B v Yateley Manor	won	1 - 0
U10 C v Yateley Manor	won	3 - 0
U10 D v Yateley Manor	won	3 - 0
U10 E v Yateley Manor	drew	2 - 2
U9 A v Rokeby	drew	1 - 1
U9 A v Lambrook	won	4 - 3
U9 B v Rokeby	won	2 - 1
U9 B v Lambrook	won	4 - 1
U9 C v Lambrook	won	3 - 2
U9 D v Lambrook	won	4 - 1
U9 E v Lambrook	won	5 - 0

Weekend Fixtures - Saturday 5th October

Football v Feltonfleet: 2nd XI and Colts A to meet at Hall Grove at 0940 for home matches starting at 1000. 3rd IX and U10 A to meet at Hall Grove at 0845 for away matches starting at 1000. U10 B to meet at Hall Grove at 0845 for an away match starting at 1040. Please be advised that the Colts B match has been cancelled by Feltonfleet.

IAPS Regional 6-a-side Qualifiers - Saturday 5th October

Colts A 6-a-side squad to meet at Hall Grove at 0800 to travel to Cumnor House School, Sussex. Please could the boys bring a packed lunch, and pack waterproof clothing and spare warm kit.

U13 6-a-side squad to meet Mr Tomlinson at Elstree School, Berkshire at 1300.

Football Calendar Additions and Amendments

Thursday 10th October: Football v Lambrook. Please note the kick off time for the U8 matches is now 1400.

Sunday 13th October: Bradfield U11 6-a-side Football Tournament starting at 1330. The team for this will be announced on Monday, any problems please contact Mr Toulson or the Sports Office.

Year 3 House Allocation

All Year 3 pupils will receive their House allocation on Monday. Please be advised that it will not be necessary for the boys to have a House t-shirt for the House Matches on Saturday 12th October, we will be using coloured bibs.

London Irish Rugby Camp - 28th to 30th October at Hall Grove

There has been a very positive response to this course and there are still places available. Please see attached flyer for booking information.

Surrey Storm Netball

Surrey Storm Netball are running a Netball Camp at Surrey Sports Park, Guildford. The camp is run by ex-England Player and Surrey Storm Head Coach Tamsin Greenway, and is available for girls from Year 3 to Year 9. Surrey Sports Park also run a great variety of professional sports camps and activity days. For more information please visit www.surreysportspark.co.uk or telephone 01483 689111.

Newsletter Attachments

The following document is attached to this week's newsletter:

- London Irish Rugby Camp information

New York City Marathon in support of The ALS Association

In just under one month, on 3rd November, Mrs Magda Schellekens, mother of Michael (Year 7), Carmen and Daniela (Year 4) will run her 5th marathon, in New York City, in support of The ALS Association. Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) is a progressive, fatal motor-neurone disease that slowly robs the body of its ability to walk, speak, swallow and breathe. The life expectancy of an ALS patient averages 2 to 5 years from the time of diagnosis. The ALS Association supports people who live with ALS as well as funding the research to find a cure and ways to prevent this crippling disease. Please visit the fundraising website <http://www.crowdrise.com/TheALSAssociationNYC2013/fundraiser/magdaschellekens> if you would like to consider a donation to this worthwhile cause. Any donation, large or small, will be much appreciated. Thank you.

