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This is our last Newsletter of the Spring term, and we take the opportunity to wish pupils and their families a good break over Easter. With much poor weather this Winter it has been a demanding few months and everyone is ready for a rest and a change of routine. We are delighted with so much academic, sporting and musical success that this term has brought, as well as excellent dramatic and artistic performances. Hall Grove pupils regularly show themselves to be capable, adaptable and self-confident; all good qualities for this rapidly changing World.

Good luck to the Choristers for their trip to Liverpool and Manchester this weekend, and for the broadcasts (Radio 4 LW) on Tuesday and Wednesday at 0945. Remember to tune in everybody!

Hall Grove All-Rounder Awards

The following Year 6 pupils have been offered scholarships to continue their studies at Hall Grove through Years 7 and 8:

Major Scholarships: George Freeman; Ethan Gunning; Danny Wessely

Exhibitions:

Oliver Bergstedt; Antonia Gathy; Ella King; Abbie Mayhew; Max Moffat; Olivia Simmons

The external assessor, Mr Tim Head, an experienced interviewer and senior English teacher from Wellington College, said that the pupils were a real credit to the school and to their families. Congratulations to them all.

Poetry Competition

The finals of this year's Poetry Competition take place on Wednesday at 0830 - Middle School in the Dining Hall and Upper School in the New Hall. We have two very experienced judges who have the hard job of selecting our winners. Parents are most welcome to attend either of the finals.

Music Department

This has been a relatively quiet week for the Music Department this week, but it culminated in a fantastic concert of some of our top individuals from the recent Instrumental Competition this evening. Next week we have our Choristers travelling up to the North-West for the Radio 4 Daily Service and a concert at the Liverpool Anglican Cathedral. We also have our Spring Concert on Thursday at 1900, where many of our school ensembles will be showcasing their recent work. Performers should arrive at the Clanwilliam Room between 1830 and 1845 on the evening. If children need to stay on at school for supervision and supper please let Lizzie Post know, and book in for supper with the office. This should be a fantastic night for all - performers and audience, and all parents are warmly invited. Our final musical venture will be our Easter Service, at 1030 on Friday.

Sports Scholarship

Congratulations to Charlie Millar on being awarded a Sports Scholarship at Sherborne School. We are very pleased with his success against an exceptionally strong field of candidates.

After School Clubs and TASC

Please note that the final clubs of this term are today, Friday 21st March. TASC will operate as usual until Thursday 27th March, inclusive. Please remember to book any TASC requirements as places are limited and it is likely to be busy once clubs have finished.

After School Clubs - Summer Term 2014

Details of all After School Clubs were sent out today via ClarionCall.

Pre-Prep Spring Celebration - Tuesday 25th March

Pre-Prep children would like to invite their parents to their Spring Celebration on Tuesday 25th March at 1330 in New Hall.

Following this, the Reception parents are invited to the Reception classrooms to look at the children's Learning Journeys.

Easter Service - Friday 28th March

Our Easter Service will be taking place in New Hall on Friday 28th March at 1030. This is always a lovely occasion with beautiful music; all parents are warmly invited to attend.

End of Term Arrangements - Friday 28th March

- 1030 Easter Service in New Hall
- 1145 Exhibition Hockey Match
- 1200 Pre-Prep collection time
- 1215 Years 3 and 4 collection time
- 1230 Years 5 and 6 collection time
- 1245 Years 7 and 8 collection time

Year 7 Musical 'Guys and Dolls'

Year 7 is proud to present Guys and Dolls early in the Summer Term, with evening performances scheduled for Thursday 8th and Friday 9th May. We have a major rehearsal weekend planned for Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th April which will form a significant part of our preparation so it is **imperative** that all children are available. A rehearsal schedule for the weekend will be issued next week.

School Uniform Shop

Cricket

The school has been reviewing the boys' cricket kit for the Summer term and has commissioned some very smart new Hall Grove cricket shirts for Years 4 - 8 boys together with sleeveless pullovers. It is expected that any boy playing for a school team should wear these. Boys in the 1^{st} XI and the Colts A team will wear a special first team sweater which will be issued by the school and charged to the end of term account. If you think your son is likely to be in one of these teams we would suggest that you hold off buying the regular sweater until next term because they will not need both. The cricket shirts cost £22.00 - £25.00 and the sleeveless pullovers cost £20.00 - £22.00. These items are now available in the shop.

Summer Dresses

There has been a delay in the delivery of the Summer dresses due to the fact that the company which manufactures them has very recently gone out of business. We have found an alternative supplier to make the dresses, however they will not be in stock until 22^{nd} April. We do have a limited amount of stock in the shop at this time but you can place an order if you would like to.

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

 Tuesday
 8th April
 0800 - 1000

 Thursday
 10th April
 1500 - 1700

 Tuesday
 22nd April
 0900 - 1100

Summer Uniform

Summer uniform is to be worn from the first day of next term, Wednesday 23rd April.

Sports News

IAPS Netball National Finals

The IAPS Netball is a competition where over three thousand girls participate in tournaments across the country. The top teams in each region then take part in the National Finals at Rodean in Brighton.

What an amazing day the 1st VII netball team had when they represented Hall Grove for the first time at the IAPS National Finals at Roedean on Saturday 15th March. The girls were very honoured to be cheered on by so many friends

and family and were particularly inspired by the presence of the Graham family. It was a fabulous sporting event which will no doubt be remembered by all who were involved for a very long time.

The results are as follows:

Played 8, won 3, drew 2, lost 3 placed 5th overall in pool

Cranleigh lost 2 - 5 Ashdown House draw 5 - 5 The Hawthornes won 10 - 1 Wycliffe lost 4 - 6 Twyford lost 6 - 12 Sedbergh won 7 - 5 Bishop's Stortford draw 7 - 7 Hanford won 8 - 2

IAPS National Swimming Finals

Congratulations to the U13 swimming medley relay team – Neve Macdonald, Izzy Arnold, Margaux Gathy and Rosie Freeman - who have qualified to represent Hall Grove at the National Finals on 10^{th} May at the K2 Crawley. In addition to this, Izzy Arnold was the 5^{th} fastest qualifier for the 50m freestyle and Neve Macdonald 5^{th} fastest qualifier for the 25m butterfly - a huge testament to their hard work and dedication at their respective swim clubs.

Girls' Games

Netball

1 st VII v St George's Windsor	lost 6 – 9
2 nd VII v Oratory	won 13 - 2
U11 A v St George's Windsor	lost 5 - 22
U11 B v St George's Windsor	lost 6 - 13
U11 C v St George's Windsor	lost 4 – 6
U10 A v St George's Windsor	lost 1 - 9
U10 B v St George's Windsor	drew 3 - 3

U8 B v Crosfields	won 2 - 0
U8 C v Crosfields	won 3 - 1
II8 D v Crosfields	drew 0 - 0

Hockey

U9 A v Cranleigh	lost 0 - 1
U9 B v Cranleigh	lost 0 - 2
U9 C v Cranleigh	won 3 – 0

Girls' Calendar reminders and amendments

Saturday 22nd March: U10 A Netball Tournament at St George's Weybridge. Please arrive at St George's Weybridge at 0900 to meet with Mrs Carmichael. The first match is 0915. The tournament is expected to finish at 1345.

Sunday 23^{rd} March: U11 Bradfield Hockey training and tournament. Please arrive at Bradfield 0945 for a 1015 start and collect from Bradfield at 1700.

Saturday 29^{th} March: Surrey Storm Netball Trip. The girls should meet Mrs Maxfield at Hall Grove for a 1320 departure. They will return to school by 2100.

Boys' Sport

Saturday 15th March - Hockey v RGS: The 1st to 6th sevens boys' hockey teams played RGS Guildford. It is always a tough set of fixtures and so it proved this time around. Well done to all the boys who kept their heads up, even when results were not going their way. That said, the 1st VII played their best hockey of the season and ended up winning 5 - 1. There were moments of real quality and they totally outclassed RGS. Had they played in this fashion at the IAPS regionals, I doubt any school would have beaten them. Special thanks to Ryan Thompson and Alex Raeburn for goalkeeping all morning.

IAPS Boys Judo

Congratulations to all the boys who competed in the IAPS Judo Tournament, and especially Hogan Whiteley for winning the silver medal in his category.

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

1 st XI v RGS Guildford	won 5 - 1
2 nd XI v RGS Guildford	lost 0 – 6
3 rd VII v RGS Guildford	lost 3 – 5
4 th VII v RGS Guildford	lost 0 – 3
5 th VII v RGS Guildford	lost 2 – 6
6 th VII v RGS Guildford	lost 0 - 2
Colts Squad v Woodcote	won 7 - 1

4 th VI v Woodcote	won 6 - 2
1st VII v Crosfields	won 8 - 0
2 nd VII v Crosfields	won 10 - 0
3 rd VII v Crosfields	won 4 - 0
Colts A VII v Crosfields	won 7 - 0
Colts B VII v Crosfields	won 4 - 0
Colts C VII v Crosfields	won 1 - 0
U10 A VII v Crosfields	won 8 - 0
U10 B VII v Crosfields	drew 3 - 3
U10 C VII v Crosfields	won 4 - 1
U9 A v Feltonfleet	won 2 – 0
U9 B v Feltonfleet	won 4 - 1
U9 C v Feltonfleet	won 5 – 0
U9 D v Feltonfleet	won 4 – 0
U8 A v Feltonfleet	lost 4 – 2
U8 B v Feltonfleet	lost 5 - 1
U8 C v Feltonfleet	drew 3-3
U8 D v Feltonfleet	won 2 - 1

Boys' Calendar Reminders

Saturday 22^{nd} March: Hockey v Moulsford - 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} and 4^{th} VII (away). Please meet at Hall Grove for an 0830 depart. Return time is estimated for 1300.

Colts A and B (home). Please arrive no later than 0940.

U10 A, B VII (home). Please arrive no later than 1030.

Rugby 7s U13 1400 away at Woodcote. Please meet Mr Joll at Woodcote at 1320.

Rugby 7s 1400 away at Sunningdale. Please meet Mr Tullett at Sunningdale 1320.

Sunday 23rd March: Bradfield Hockey Tournament - boys and girls please arrive at Bradfield by 0945 for a 1015 start. Please collect from Bradfield College at 1700.

Reminders - Easter Camps

Chelsea Football Club Training Camp: Details are available for the Chelsea Easter Football Camp held at Hall Grove from 7th April to 11th April. Please see the flyer and forms attached. The course is also open to none Hall Grove pupils.

The Hockey Wolf Pack: The Hockey Wolf Pack are back this Easter at Woking Hockey Club. Please see the attached flyer for dates and booking details. They are looking forward to seeing your children there.

Bradfield College Easter Hockey Camp: Thursday 3rd April, 1000 – 1600 for boys and girls aged 9 - 14. Please see the flyer attached.

Masked Ball - Saturday 22nd March, 1900 - 0100

The Ball is being held in the Pavilion Suite, Ascot Racecourse, which has its own entrance on the main road very close to the pedestrian crossing (Ascot High Street end). For those driving, please use Car Park 3 which is opposite the Pavilion Suite. Welcome drinks start at 1900. Carriages at 0100. And finally... don't forget your masks!

Deborah Rhodes

FOHG Golf and Tennis Lessons

The promise of Summer and hopefully good weather brings increased interest in these Saturday lessons so be sure to register your child as soon as possible with Rachel Bray (rachel_bray@icloud.com) for golf and Leslie Gathy (lesliemg@btopenworld.com) for tennis.

The second annual FOHG Family Tennis Tournament is scheduled for the afternoon of Saturday 7^{th} June. The event is open to all Hall Grove pupils in Years 3 and above with their adult partner. The FOHG Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday 14^{th} June.

Rachel Bray and Leslie Gathy

Windlesham Golf Academy - Easter Golf Camps

Please see attached details and form for Easter Camps. Please return forms together with payment to the Hall Grove School Office.

Camberley Rugby Club

Please see attachment with information about Camberley Rugby Club's Open Day.

The Sunningdale Indoor Cricket School Easter Coaching

Please find attached information regarding Easter holiday cricket coaching. James Young can be contacted at jamesyoung100@btopenworld.com or, by mobile, on 07885 235703.

Festival of Crime Writing, Windsor

Our very own Latin master and author, Mr Sutton, will be appearing at Waterstones, Windsor 'Festival of Crime Writing' on Tuesday, 25th March at 7.30pm. Tickets are £7.50 (£6.50 for Advantage Card holders). For further details go to tickets.windsor.gov.uk or google Waterstones, Windsor.

Frimley and Camberley Cadet Corps

Frimley and Camberley Cadet Corps are currently looking for new recruits. The group meet each week and do a variety of activities including field craft, first aid, shooting, map reading, cooking and parades. Please see attached flyer or contact Emma Woodcon 07754 500344 / Deb Tippett 07725 441358 for more information.

Baseball Registration Open!

The local baseball team, who practise nearby at ACS on the A30 (just before the Savill Garden turning), are looking for new players across a number of year groups. Practices are Friday evenings and games are generally Saturday afternoons. For more information, please see the attached flyer or call Tod Saltzman on 07894 419808.

A Message for Past Valley End Parents from the Headmistress

You are invited to attend a short memorial service for Mrs Ann Watts to commemorate her contribution to Valley End C of E Infant School on 23rd April at 0930 at St. Saviour's Church, Valley End. Please could you reply if you are attending by email (info@valleyend.surrey.sch.uk). We look forward to seeing you.

Margaret Heritage*, Head Teacher

SJB Youth Club

This is a new venture being set up at Windlesham Church for Years 7 - 11. Contact Oli Deeks: youth@windleshamchurch.org.uk

Newsletter Attachments

The following documents are attached to this week's newsletter:

- FOHG Golf and Tennis Lesson Form
- Chelsea Football Easter Soccer School Information
- Windlesham Golf Academy Easter Golf Camps
- Frimley and Camberley Cadet Corps
- Camberley Rugby Club Try Rugby
- Easter Hockey Wolf Pack
- Baseball Registration Form
- The Sunningdale Indoor Cricket School Easter Cricket Coaching
- Chelsea Football Club (After School Club Form)
- Windlesham Golf Academy (After School Club Form)
