

# Hall Grove School Newsletter



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*As announced yesterday, there will be a special Hall Grove service for Sandra Bath on Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> in New Hall. All are welcome. The Choristers have been invited to lead the singing and children attending should wear school uniform. In the meantime parents are invited to sign the Book of Condolence in the front hall near the school office. Sandra's funeral, for family and close friends, is on Thursday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at Easthampstead Crematorium at 12.00 noon.*

*We hope the weather will hold for Sports Day tomorrow but we may have a heavy shower or two to contend with! Please come prepared for all eventualities. Lunchtime drinks will be served on the drive at 1300 before some demonstrations on the front lawn. The Marching Band will start the afternoon activities off at 1345. We very much hope you all enjoy the day.*

## **Sports Day - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Parents are reminded that Sports Day is tomorrow. Pre-Prep children are to come to the track ready to assemble into their groups at 1200 wearing white sports kit. Years 3 - 8 children should wear clean white kit with House T-shirts. Running spikes are not permitted under any circumstances. Water will be provided for all competitors in the House Boxes - please do not send children in with drinks bottles because they are often abandoned and lead to litter on the field.

Adults are asked to observe the dress code for the day, 'smart casual'.

Timings:

1130 Field and track events for Years 3 - 8

1215 Pre-Prep Sports

1245 Lunch Break, class displays and art exhibition open

c. 1330 Lunch Entertainment

1400 Athletic competitions resume for Years 3 - 8

1600 Presentation of House Cup on the athletics track followed by teas

**Please see the attached schedule for more detailed timings.**

Gazebos

Parents are welcome to bring tents and gazebos for lunchtime picnics, and may put them up on Friday evening (from 1700) or early Saturday morning if they so wish. All structures should be erected on the upper field only, not on the slope leading down to the athletics track where they would impede the viewing of the track.

## **Hall Grove Art Exhibition - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

The children of Hall Grove would like to invite you and your family to the Annual Hall Grove Art Exhibition to be held in New Hall. Each child will proudly have at least one piece of art work on display and this annual event is a super way to see some of the work from the Art, Ceramic and DT departments. The Pottery and Art Room will also have further pieces on display.

## **After School Clubs and TASC**

Please note that all After School Clubs finish on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July. Information for next term's clubs will be sent out via email for on-line bookings at the beginning of next term and Clubs will start from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September. TASC will operate as usual until Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, inclusive. Please remember to pre-book any TASC requirements as it is likely to be busy.

## **School Uniform Shop - Summer Opening Times**

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

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August                      0900-1200

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August            0930-1600  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September        0930-1600

## **Matt Heffer - Animation item...JAW**

### **Shakespeare Week - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

Hall Grove looks forward to hosting another 'Shakespeare Week' from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The week will feature a number of interesting assembly speakers, and give the whole school the chance to celebrate William Shakespeare's life and some of his magnificent works. We look forward to welcoming back the highly experienced and inspirational Chris Connaughton as 'Director in Residence'. He will work with Year 6 to deliver an abridged version of Romeo and Juliet on the Friday evening (performances start from 1845). This is in the school calendar and it is expected that Year 6 pupils will remain at school in preparation to perform. There will be a hog-roast and refreshments for pupils and parents and we look forward to seeing you all.

### **Footsteps Dress Rehearsal and Performance**

#### **Rehearsal - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 1545-1715**

Please ensure your child has their dance shoes and relevant leotards, tights, socks and ribbons with them, especially if they do not normally dance on a Tuesday. Children will be brought out onto the drive for collection as normal at 1715.

#### **Performance - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 1700**

The children will be collected from school at their normal finishing times and given a drink and a snack. They will then dress into costumes before the main performance at 1700. This will take place on the stage in New Hall. Estimated finish is 1720. We ask that you do not take your child directly from the hall at the end as they will be brought out to you in the courtyard once they have changed out of costume. Many thanks for your cooperation.

*Miss Stein*

### **Hall Grove Family Fun Day - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Update**

Tickets have been distributed via classes today. Please note that tickets will NOT be available for sale on the day and admission will be permitted to tickets holders only. Thank you to all those who have volunteered already but we still need more volunteers to help clear away on the night. Anyone willing to help, or for further information, please contact Jo Conner on jocconner@yahoo.co.uk

### **Masterchef Finals - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Congratulations to the following five who came through to the finals which will be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July: James Brum, Harrison Duff, Giorgio Fernandez-Poulopoulos, Alice Myers and Danny Saveliev. A huge thank you to the parents who have supported and practised with the chefs! The judges found this round exceptionally hard to whittle down to three - choosing five instead! Looking forward to sumptuous starters!

## **Music Department**

### **Sports Day Arrangements**

Marching Band are giving a short performance / demonstration at the end of Sports Day lunch. They should assemble, with their instruments in cases, at the tennis court at 1330. They will then be able to set up, ready for the the Entertainments, which start at 1345.

### **Summer Concert - July 7<sup>th</sup>**

As well as all of our ensembles performing, we would like to include Year 2 in our concert programme. This will also give children and parents a taste of some of the musical delights to come as they move higher up the school. There is no need to reserve tickets. The doors will open at 1830, ready for a 1900 start. Performers should make their way to the Clanwilliam Room for 1830. If you wish your child to remain at school after the end of the school day please book them into supper in the usual fashion with the school office.

## **Sports News**

### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day**

All pupils are required to attend. This is an all-day event. Arrival at 1115 for a prompt 1130 start. Water will be provided at the House Boxes for your child.

### **Cranleigh Tennis Festival**

Well done to the Year 8 boys and girls who competed on Monday. There were a large number of schools at the event and competition was of a very high standard. Unfortunately none of our pairings made it through their group to the semi-final stages, however our Boys A pairing (Miles Atkins and Charlie Millar) only missed out by one game and both played marvellously. All players enjoyed some testing opponents and it did them good to be fully stretched for a change.

### **Golf at Charterhouse**

Hall Grove took part in the annual Prep Schools Cup played at Charterhouse on Tuesday. The team consisted of Jack Humpish, Charlie Brennen and Felix Connolly. The boys played well but with the course being very dry and bouncy and with no previous experience of the Charterhouse 9 hole golf course they found themselves in some tricky positions! Nonetheless it was

good experience and they came 5<sup>th</sup> out of 10 schools. Charlie Brennen must get a special mention as he played beautifully and has shown a huge improvement this term.

### **Congratulations**

James Brash played a regional qualifying competition on the Wee Wonders National Golf Tour. He was runner-up and has qualified in the age group 7-8 to play in the Grand Final at St Andrew's in August. He will play 3 rounds of 9 holes on the Par 3 course over 2 days. James and his parents are very excited about the trip to Scotland and we wish him the best of luck.

### **Girls' Athletics at Eagle House**

U8 and U9 girls participated in a triangular athletics fixture with Eagle House and Feltonfleet on Thursday afternoon. All the girls performed well and gained much needed competitive experience. Notable performances were Emily Wolfe's 1<sup>st</sup> in 300m and 75m, Zoe Legge's 1<sup>st</sup> in 55m hurdles, Tabitha Tonkin's 1<sup>st</sup> in 150m, Natalie Camp's 1<sup>st</sup> in 150m and 600m and the U9 relay team's 1<sup>st</sup>. Well done to all the team, who were commended on their excellent behaviour and manners by the Head of Sport at Eagle House.

### **Girls' Games**

#### Rounders

1 <sup>st</sup> IV v Sherfield	won
2 <sup>nd</sup> IV v Sherfield	drew
U11 A v The Marist Tournament	won
U10 A v The Marist Tournament	3 <sup>rd</sup> place
U10 A v St Piran's	lost 16.5 - 19.5
U10 B v St Piran's	lost 16 - 19
U9 A v Coworth Flexlands	lost 7.5 - 9
U9 B v St Andrew's	won 21 - 20.5
U9 C v St Andrew's (our U8s)	won 9 - 7.5
U8 A v St Andrew's	won 18.5 - 11.5

#### Tennis

U12 v Highfield, Maidenhead	lost
U11 v Highfield, Maidenhead	won 6 - 3

### **Girls' Calendar Reminders and Amendments**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Dolphin Rounders will now only be one U12 A team. The U12 B team fixture has been cancelled by Dolphin.

### **Boys' Games**

#### Cricket

1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Langley Academy	lost
1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Parkside	won
2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Parkside	won
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Parkside	lost
4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Parkside	won
5 <sup>th</sup> XI v Parkside	lost
Colts A v Parkside	lost
Colts B v Parkside	lost
U10 A v Parkside	lost
U10 B v Parkside	lost
U10 C v Parkside	won
U9 A v Parkside	won
U9 B v Parkside	won
U9 C v Parkside	won
U8 A v Parkside	lost
U8 B v Parkside	lost
U8 C v Parkside	won

### **Reminders**

- Additional fixture: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – U10 A, B, C – Cricket v Feltonfleet – home 1415.
- OPRO will be coming to fit mouth guards on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September for girls and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September for boys. Please note girls will need temporary mouth guards prior to their fitting in order to take part in hockey lessons and matches.

## **Newsletter Attachments**

The following documents are attached to this week's newsletter, including details of holiday courses and camps available:

- Windlesham Golf Academy 2014 Summer Golf Camps and Advanced Coaching Days
- Chelsea Football Summer Camps – details within 'Sports News'. Registration form attached.
- Pleiades Leisure Summer Camps 2014 – Soccer Coaching & Multi-Sport Activities. Venues: Foxhills & Hinchley Wood.
- Bagshot Cricket Club
- National Preparatory School Orchestras Courses, July 2014

- Holy Trinity Church Summer Club - a Summer club for primary school aged children from 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> August.
- Feat for Feet Flyer
- Sebastian's Action Trust Swinley Forest Run
- Sports Day Schedule

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## **Swinley Forest 5km & 10km Run – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

Join Sebastian's Action Trust in their first Swinley Forest Run. You can choose to either take on the 5k or 10k challenge for the local children's charity in the scenic grounds of Swinley Forest in Bracknell. The run is targeted at all standards, with chip timing available on the day too. All members of the family are encouraged to take part, whether running, jogging, walking or cheering on loved ones at our designated viewing points. All proceeds from the run will continue to provide practical and emotional support to seriously-ill and life-limited children. For further details and to register, please click on the link: [www.sebastiansactiontrust.org/swinleyrun](http://www.sebastiansactiontrust.org/swinleyrun) (flyer attached).

## **Puppies are ready now!**

Six of the puppies are now at their new homes, two left. Pedigree Labrador (black). Email [a.graham@hallgrove.co.uk](mailto:a.graham@hallgrove.co.uk)

## **Little Grove Pre-School Staff Vacancies**

Little Grove Pre-School is currently seeking two qualified pre-school assistants - term time only. One position to cover maternity leave only. Commencing September 2014, the successful candidate must be qualified to NVQ Level 3 in Early Years as a minimum. Unqualified staff will be considered if willing to undertake an NVQ Level 3 in Early Years during employment. Please email CVs to [karen@littlegrove.co.uk](mailto:karen@littlegrove.co.uk) or call 01276 473434.

## **Busy Buttons**

Busy Buttons is an organisation specialising in prop making, puppet making, animation and sewing. They run fantastic courses and workshops both in term time and the holidays as well as offering animation parties and set building days. They have worked on many prestigious films such as 'Quantum of Solace' and 'Hugo' as well as numerous Royal Opera House productions. If you are interested please visit their website at [www.busybuttons.org](http://www.busybuttons.org) or have a chat with Mr Heffer who has some of their promotional material and personal experience of their work.