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What a busy end of term! A fantastic Spring Ball organised by the Friends of Hall Grove was enjoyed by some 200 parents last Saturday. We have had a Spring Celebration, two concerts, lots of inter-House sport, an Easter Service and, to finish, an exhibition Hockey match with Staff and former pupils.

We wish all our families a very happy Easter and we look forward to seeing the children back again at the beginning of next term.

Kevin and Aimee Lagerweij's Expedition to Antarctica

Kevin (5ST) and Aimee (3TL) recently undertook an exciting expedition to Antarctica. To find out more about their recent family adventure please follow the link:

http://blog.quarkexpeditions.com/meet-our-young-polar-explorers

FOHG Ball

Any photographs not collected from the FOHG Ball last Saturday can now be purchased by using the following link to the photos online:

http://www.fotografica-events.co.uk/v/photos/86819rnt?ppp=0

Reminder: School Invoice and Reports

The Summer Term invoice was emailed to parents earlier last week. We ask that the fees are settled promptly and no later than Wednesday 20^{th} April. We continue to make a charitable donation to the Royal National Children's Foundation of £10 per term per child and this cost is included in the school fees; further details of this charity can be found on the school website. You can also find copies of all the School Insurances on the school website (Admissions/Fee Information) or get copies from the Accounts Office.

The End of Term Spring Reports were emailed to parents on Tuesday. If you have not received yours please email reports@hallgrove.co.uk.

Reminder: Hall Grove School Summer Term Calendar

A provisional electronic copy of the Summer Term Calendar is attached and a printed version will be sent home at the beginning of next term.

2nd Reminder: After School Clubs - Summer Term

All Hall Grove After School Clubs will start in the week commencing Monday 25th April. Please check start dates for external clubs with each individual club co-ordinator.

Reminder: Summer Uniform

Summer uniform is to be worn from the first day of next term, Wednesday 20th April.

2nd Reminder: Dates for the Diary

Pre-Prep Sports Day Friday 24th June Sports Day (Years 3 - 8) Saturday 25th June

Music

What a wonderful and busy time we've had recently with our musicians. We shouldn't single out individual performances, but we were very proud of our ensembles on Monday night and those chosen to perform in our Instrumental Competition Winners Concert on Wednesday. This morning our Choristers very capably led our Easter Service. A big thank you to all families for their support in our music-making and to the children for their hard work, whether here, in instrumental lessons or at home.

Chorister parents will by now have heard of the cancellation of the planned trip to France and Belgium, but we have been able to secure a BBC broadcast date for the Radio 4 Daily Service of Tuesday 14th June. We will give more details shortly.

Sports News

Boys Games

Please note that there are cricket fixtures on the first day back after the Easter holidays. Team sheets have been posted on www.hallgrovesport.co.uk and boys have been told. Next term, all boys should have their Summer games kit at school. Cricket whites must be worn for matches in Years 5 to 8, but are not necessary for games sessions. Please note that boys in Years 5 - 8 are allowed to bring in their own cricket equipment for **match days only**. Any cricket kit should be left under the shelter behind the pavilion and must be clearly labelled with your child's name. Please do not feel you need to buy your child any extra kit, the school provides all the necessary protective equipment and bats for matches.

3rd Reminder: Uniform Shop Easter Opening Hours

The Uniform Shop will be open during the Easter holidays as follows:

- Thursday 7th April 1500 - 1700 - Wednesday 13th April 0900 - 1100

Easter and Summer Camps

Cricket in the Easter Holidays - Valley End Cricket Club

4 day Easter holiday cricket camp 1000 - 1600 on 4th - 7th April at Valley End CC Old Ground, cost £35 per day. Other small group coaching and one-to-ones can be arranged throughout the Easter break. Valley End CC Club night on Friday 15th April from 1800. **Please contact** James Young (VECC Youth manager), email: jamesyoung100@btopenworld.com

Reminder: Energy Kidz Holiday Clubs at Charters School

Enter the Easter Egg Hunt Competition to win 2 Standard Holiday Club Day passes! Energy Kidz Easter Holiday Clubs are nearly upon us and Energy Kidz are counting down the days until their Wonders of the World and Ancient Ancestors themed weeks! To celebrate Easter, they are giving away 2 Standard Day Passes for their Summer Holiday Clubs as part of their Easter Egg Hunt competition. To be in with a chance of winning, you need to hunt down as many Easter eggs as you can in the picture featured on their website – it's a cracking challenge!

All entries must be submitted before Sunday 20th March so visit their website (https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/) to enter now. There's now just over 1 week to go before the Easter Holidays so to find out more about your nearest Holiday Clubs and to book online now, click on the following link: https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/holiday-club/

3rd Reminder: Chelsea Football Club Easter Soccer School at Hall Grove School

Tuesday 29th March to Friday 1st April, 1000 - 1500

Book online now at chelseafc.com/foundation

For further details please contact Tom Bird – email tom.bird@chelseafc.com or call 07921 050309

3rd Reminder: Hype Easter Camps

Multi-Activity Camps at Bishopsgate School, Egham & The Marist School, Sunninghill

Activities include swimming games, arts and crafts, nature drawing, bush craft, treasure hunts, street dance and much, much more.

Easter Football Camp at The Marist School, Sunninghill

The Football Camp enables children to have fun whilst developing game understanding, confidence and new skills, in the expert hands of professional and highly trained coaches.

For more information and online booking please visit frogsandfriends.org or call 01344 898330.

4th Reminder: Forres Summer Camps

Forres Holiday Camps are run for prep school children in the Summer. These are brilliantly organised and would be much enjoyed by Hall Grove boys and girls. For further information please contact 01865 766155 or info@forresholidays.org or collect a flyer from the School Office. Applications have to be made soon because places do fill up.

2nd Reminder: Chertsey Museum Easter Fun

Various Easter fun activities on 29th and 31st March and 5th and 7th April. To book or find out more please see attached flyer or telephone 01932 565764 / www.chertseymuseum.org

3rd Reminder: Sunningdale School Holiday Common Entrance Revision Course

If any Year 7 or 8 parents thinks their child may benefit, we suggest you speak to Mr Lewis for further details.

Newsletter Attachments

The following information is available on the school website:

- Weekly Music Rehearsal Schedule 2015 2016
- Ultimate Activity Camps
- Energy Kidz Holiday Club
- Golf Easter Camps
- London Youth Baseball League
- Chertsey Museum Easter Fun
- Feed Your Family Right
- NCT Nearly New Sale Flyer

2nd Reminder: 'Feed Your Family Right' Programme

Due to popular demand, a third date has been added to the programme starting on Wednesday 27th April 2016, in Virginia Water. Magda Schellekens (mum of Carmen and Daniela in Year 6), a Nutritionist and Health Coach, is running the programme for busy parents eager to nourish their growing family with healthy and delicious meals and to learn HOW to get the family on-board to eat healthily. For more information please see attached flyer or visit http://www.healthyforlonger.com/whats-on/

If interested, contact Magda on magda@healthyforlonger.com or 07970 192428.

Reminder: Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are still collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids 2016 vouchers which are currently being issued for every £10 spent in stores, online and at fuel stations. We would be grateful if you would send in any vouchers that you receive.

Senior School Open Mornings

Bedford School, Bedford	16 th April	01234 362216
Pangbourne	23 rd April	0118 976 7415
Farnborough Hill (afternoons)	29 th April	01252 529811
Leighton Park School, Reading	10 th May, 7 th June	0118 987 9600
Reed's School, Cobham	7 th May, 10 th September, 12 th November	01932 869001

NCT Nearly New Sale - Saturday 16th April

Bag a bargain. Table-top sale of baby and toddler clothing, toys, books and lots more!

Date: Saturday 16th April 2016

New venue: Tringham Hall, Benner Lane, West End, GU24 9JP

Time: 1415 - 1600

For further information please see attached flyer or email nns.windlesham@nct.org.uk