

Celebrating 60 Years



1957 Hall Grove 2017

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Any election blues this morning were blown away, like the rain, by a lovely Pre-Prep Sports Day today. The clouds parted, the sun shone and the children performed brilliantly. Our thanks to Mr Tomlinson and all the staff for organising a wonderful event, and to the boys and girls of Year 7 for their help. We are now looking forward to another great day tomorrow.

In spite of some rather mixed weather this week, we have been very pleased with the sensible behaviour of Year 8 pupils as they have settled to the demands of Common Entrance. Now that the exams are over the children can look forward to some fun activities leading up to the end of term.

Our thanks to the boys and girls of Year 8 and their parents for the donation of a handsome red clock for the pavilion. We are delighted with it and are pleased to have a special reminder of this talented year group.

School Food Gets Better and Better!

The opening of our new dining hall has allowed us to increase the number of catering staff and we now have our own full-time in-house manager, Simon Jarrett. Mr Jarrett will work with Head Chef, Simon Batchelor, and the catering team to maintain and further enhance our food choices, and he will oversee hospitality at major functions. We are very pleased with the positive feedback after our various launch events, and the refinements we have made to match teas have clearly been appreciated by the children and their parents. We look forward to seeing more improvements and further initiatives under the new management in the forthcoming months. Mr Jarrett comes with a broad range of catering experience working at a senior level and has been highly recommended to us. We hope he will be very happy at Hall Grove and we wish him well in his new post.

M3 Closure

Please note that this weekend the M3 will once again be totally closed in both directions between junctions 2 and 3, from Friday evening through to Monday morning. Please plan your journey to school for Years 3 – 8 Sports Day carefully and allow extra time.

DIARY REMINDERS

Saturday 10th June
Sports Day for Years 3+

Thursday 15th June
0835 8LM Assembly

Saturday 17th June
Golf & Tennis Academy re-commences.

Tuesday 20th June
0835 5PW Assembly

Saturday 24th June
60th Anniversary Jubilee Picnic

Thursday 29th June
0835 6AK Assembly

Tuesday 4th July
0835 4SS Assembly

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Reminder: Sports Day Schedule

Sports Day for Years 3 - 8 - Saturday 10th June

All the children are expected to attend and their families are invited to come and support. Guests are encouraged to picnic in the grounds; there are lunchtime displays and activities. As this is our major social function of the year we ask parents to observe a 'smart casual' dress code.

The children's events will be posted on the sports noticeboard on the side of the Wessex building. Please could all Middle and Upper School children come to school dressed in their white PE kit and house t-shirt.

Prize Giving will follow each session. The timings are as follows:

1200 - 1330	Years 3, 4 and 5 Athletics (Athletics Finals competition integrated into programme)
1330 - 1430	Picnic lunch. Gazebos positioned only behind the blue rope.
1430 - 1600	Years 6, 7 and 8 Athletics (Athletics Finals competition integrated into programme)

5PW & 6AK Class Assemblies

Please note that 5PW and 6AK Class Assemblies have been rescheduled as follows:

5PW	Tuesday 20th June - 0835
6AK	Thursday 29th June - 0835

Reminder: Golf & Tennis Academy

Please note that lessons will recommence on Saturday 17th June and finish on Saturday 1st July.

Headlice

There has been a case of headlice reported in Pre-School. We would ask you to check all members of your family this weekend and, if lice are found, treat as soon as possible with the lotion recommended by your chemist. Regular checks at home are important. Lice spread rapidly and to keep the problem at bay, we do need your co-operation.

Reminder: Royal Ascot Week

As Royal Ascot commences on Tuesday 20th June, please remember to book any TASC requirements via 360 Sports Education on 01252 918888. Any supper requests should be made by **Friday 16th June** at the latest by email to Mrs Tutt (a.tutt@hallgrove.co.uk) as it is likely to be very busy! Please note that boarding is now full.

Music

Informal Concerts

Next Friday we will have the final Informal Concert of this year. Due to the number of pianists who wanted to play today, we will actually be sneaking in some extra piano performances along with our string players. All are welcome - New Hall stage at 1250 on Friday 16th June.

Practice Clubs

Due to the number of competing events in the final week of term, there will be NO supervised practice club sessions then. Practice Club bookings will open for the new school year at the beginning of next term (Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 1630 - 1830).

Summer Concert and Leavers Evensong

In the last week of term we have our Leavers Evensong (Thursday 6th July), which will be the final chance this year to hear our current Choristers and, for many, to say farewell on our penultimate day of term, as well as our Summer Concert (Monday 3rd July), at which

ABSENCES

If your child is unwell, then please call 01276 473059 (option 1) or email office@hallgrove.co.uk

TERM DATES

Summer Term 2017

24th April - 7th July

Half Term:

27th May - 4th June

Autumn Term 2017

4th September - 15th December

Half Term:

21st October - 5th November

SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS / DAYS

NEWSLETTER ATTACHMENTS

SUMMER CAMPS

all of the ensembles listed below will be performing:

String Orchestra, Recorder Ensemble, Flute Choir, Junior Brass, Senior Brass, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, Girls' Choir, Hall Grove Choir, Choristers and Percussion Ensemble.

We would ask that all performers are back in school by 1840 at the latest in uniform (no blazers needed), with their instruments, and congregate in the Admiral Room. Thank you to those that have already booked supper - if you would still like to book, please do so by Friday 30th June.

Sport

Girls' Games

Wednesday 14th June

Rounders v Eagle House - all fixtures now start at 1430.

Please note Eagle House have cancelled the U13 and U11 A rounders fixture due to a clash of athletics events.

Girls selected for West Surrey athletics on Tuesday 13th June should bring in their own packed lunch, including plenty of water.

FOHG Annual Tennis Tournament Saturday 17th June

It's time to for our Annual Hall Grove Tennis Tournament. Please come and join us for a wonderful afternoon of Tennis.

Family Doubles Competition (green ball) registration at 1330

Open to all Hall Grove pupils who are playing with green balls with a parent/older sibling (13+)/friend/relative*

Red Ball Singles Competition registration at 1500 for a 1515 start

Open to all Hall Grove pupils who are playing at the red ball level.

Orange Ball Singles Competition registration at 1500 for a 1515 start

Open to all Hall Grove pupils who are playing at the orange ball level.

Refreshments

"Strawberries and cream" tea at the conclusion of the tournament for all participants (small charge for spectators).

Cost £15 per entry which includes refreshments for participants.

Email to enter: fohgtennisgolf@gmail.com

* If anyone is looking for a partner, please let us know and we will try to pair up any child or adult who is interested in playing.

** Please note the yellow ball competition will now begin at 1330 to allow the children attending senior school open mornings to participate in the doubles tournament.

Summer Camps

Please refer to the 'Summer Camps' link for further information.

Windlesham Golf Club Ladies Coaching Clinics

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 0930 – 1100. Please see attached flyer.

Additionally, Windlesham are also running a complete beginners session on Wednesday 14th June and Wednesday 21st June from 0930 - 1100, with refreshments after. This would be a perfect opportunity for those ladies looking to give the game a try. Clubs will be provided. For anyone that is interested please contact Ben Ross on 07778517659 / 01276 472323 or ben.ross@windleshamgolf.com