

Join us for an
African Jabulani
Friday 22nd June 2018

Drinks from 6.30pm
Buffet dinner and dancing
Carriages at 11 pm

Tickets £30

www.buytickets.at/hallgroveschool

Newsletter 612
15th June 2018

A busy week that finished with some excellent CE results for Year 8. All 36 have now secured places at their senior schools.

The Sports Days last week went very well and many parents commented favourably on the level of organisation. Do look at the website to see some great images of two happy days.

Senior pupils were treated to a superb talk last Friday by the celebrated TV journalist, Martin Bell. He spoke on the subject 'reporting war - then and now'. It was a moving, personal account of an extraordinary career that had taken him to over 80 countries covering 11 major conflicts and led him to become a UNICEF ambassador and an MP. The children listened well and asked thoughtful questions at the end of a powerful, if at times harrowing, lecture.

Africa Week starts on Monday leading up to a special day of celebration on Friday. Don't miss our African experience in the evening, it will be a fabulous event (see below).

Hall Grove For Africa - One Life, Live It

Africa Week is almost upon us! Please bring your unwanted trainers, football boots and astro trainers to school on Tuesday 19th June along with one pound per pair to pay for customs charges. Tie the shoelaces so the pair stays together and add your shoes to the line along the pathway next to the field – let's see if we can reach the gate!

On Thursday 21st June please bring in your books for the Masangu Foundation. If you can help us with storage boxes for books that would be very helpful. Bring your books and notebooks to your classroom for collection.

Last call for African Jabulani Tickets – we are hoping to raise enough money to build a new dining hall for the Miwaleni Primary School at this very special event. Come and join us as we listen to the sounds of Africa, dine on traditional African food and dance under the stars. The silent auction is available from Monday for those who can't make it and bidding sign up boards will be up outside the Lighthouse.

Together we can make a big difference. One Life, Live It.

Lindsay Vetch

DIARY REMINDERS

JUNE

Monday 18th
Africa Week

Thursday 21st
0835 6AK Assembly
1900 Year 4 'Scenes from The Lion King'

Friday 22nd
Africa Celebration Day
African Drumming & Dance Workshop
Parents Social: Africa Jabulani

Tuesday 26th
0835 7TH Assembly

Thursday 28th
0835 7LS Assembly

Friday 29th
After School Activities finish

JULY

Monday 2nd
1900 Summer Concert

Tuesday 3rd
0835 Year 8 Assembly

Wednesday 4th
1030 Second-Hand Uniform Sale
1900 Year 6 Performance Evening

Thursday 5th
Year 8 Leavers' Cricket & Rounders
1330 Year 8 Parents Lunch
1700 Evensong
1800 Year 8 Leavers' BBQ

Friday 6th
0915 Early Years & Pre-Prep Prize Giving
1030 Term Ends Early Years & Pre-Prep
1100 Years 3-8 Prize Giving
1200 Term Ends Years 3-8

The Uniform Shop
Summer Opening Times:
Friday 27th July 1000 - 1200
Monday 13th August 0930 - 1230
Monday 3rd Sept 0930 - 1500

Africa Week Assembly - Monday 18th June

During morning assembly, 0840 in the New Hall, The Reverend James Stephenson, Chaplain of Reading Bluecoat School, will talk about his work on the Zambia-Congo border where he helped set up a school and started a rowing activity for the children there. Parents welcome.

Nile Explorer - Tuesday 19th June

On Tuesday 19th June at 1400 in the New Hall, Neil McGrigor, explorer and adventurer, will talk about his 2006 expedition in the footsteps of John Hanning Speke to find and re-plot, using GPS, the exact location of the source of the Nile. Parents welcome.

Masterchef

Congratulations to all our chefs in Year 8 following some amazing main courses. We now look forward to the starters on Monday and Tuesday from the following pupils:

Shrey Rawal, Grace Hessian, Max Tyrer, James Crane, Sharen Chu, Jessica Gunning, Callum Kinner, Mia Kadyan, Linus Bray, Lenni Saul, Adam Humpish, Rosie Millar, Carmen Schellekens, Jessica Gunning, Christian van der Merwe, Yasmin van der Zijl, Daniela Schellekens, Navlleen Grewal.

Hall Grove Tennis Tour 18th - 22nd April 2019

Next year's Tennis Tour will return the world famous Vale do Lobo Tennis Academy, Portugal. The programme includes four to five hours of coaching per day, tournaments, swimming, crazy golf and paddle tennis. The inclusive cost of the tour is £740 per person and represents excellent value for money as well as an exceptional experience for keen tennis players. It is open to children in Year 6,7 and 8 (talented Year 5 players may be considered). This tour is rapidly filling up so parents are advised to act quickly if they wish to secure a place for their child. Please contact Mr Slape d.slape@hallgrove.co.uk

Sports Day Lost Property

Various items were found on the grounds after Saturday's Sports Day. Please contact the School Office for further details.

Royal Ascot Week - Reminder

As Royal Ascot commences on Tuesday 19th June, please remember to book any TASC requirements via 360 Sports Education on 01252 918888. Any [supper](#) requests should be made by **Friday 15th June** at the latest via the link above, as it is likely to be very busy!

Please note the boarding house is now completely FULL.

Second-Hand Uniform Sale – Wednesday 4th July - Reminder

There will be a second-hand uniform sale to raise funds for the Malaweni Primary School, Africa on Wednesday 4th July from 1030 at the Pavilion. Cash or cheque payments only. Any parents willing to volunteer their help at the sale, please contact the School Office (office@hallgrove.co.uk)

After School Clubs

Please note that **ALL** After School Activities finish on **Friday 29th June**.

ABSENCES

If your child is unwell please
T: 01276 473059 (option 1) or
E: office@hallgrove.co.uk

TERM DATES

Summer Term 2018

23rd April – 6th July

Autumn Term 2018

3rd September – 14th December

Half Term:

20th October – 4th November

Spring Term 2019

7th January – 29th March

Half Term:

16th – 24th February (incl)

Summer Term 2019

24th April – 12th July

Half Term:

25th May – 2nd June (incl)

NEWSLETTER **ATTACHMENTS**

SUMMER CAMPS

**Don't forget to follow us on
Twitter! [@hallgroveschool](https://twitter.com/hallgroveschool)
[@hallgrovesport](https://twitter.com/hallgrovesport)**

Music

Informal Concerts

Well done to everyone who performed in our Informal Lunchtime Woodwind & Percussion Concert today. It was lovely to hear such a wide range of genre and confident performances.

Our next Informal Concert is on Friday 29th June for Pianists. As ever if your child learns outside of school but would still like to participate in the concert then please contact Miss Post by Tuesday morning of Week 8.

Music exams

The final timetable was sent out earlier this week. Please make sure your child has their instrument with them on the day and knows to come to the Music Office 20 minutes before their exam time.

Sport

Weekly review

Cricket

The Year 8s started the week off with an exciting match against Felixton College, who were visiting from South Africa. Batting first, the boys declared after 32 overs with 160 on the board. After some early wickets, our opponents dug in and a late flourish saw them get to within 8, finishing on 152-6 off their 28 overs. It was a fantastic game and the boys enjoyed a lovely evening meal with their guests after the game.

Wednesday was a tough day against Aldro, with most sides finding themselves up against strong opposition. The senior sides had some competitive games, and the U11Bs and U10Cs won their matches, very well done to the boys in those teams.

The Year 8s and U11As went to Sherborne for an 8-a-side competition and both teams had an enjoyable day. The seniors won both their group games, and then beat Aldro off the last ball in the semi-final. This gave the boys the opportunity to play Kings Hall in the final and they held their nerve to win by 3 runs. It was a brilliant achievement and credit should go to every member of the team as they all fully contributed. The U11s didn't fair quite so well but had a good day none the less.

On Thursday, the U9s continued their excellent progress with 4 wins from 4 against Lambrook. They played some really impressive cricket and it shows the massive potential they have as a year group. Well done to all those involved.

Girls Cricket

Commiserations to the Under 13 girls who lost their Surrey Cup Quarter Final against Feltonfleet. The Under 11s have qualified for the IAPS Girls Cricket Finals, which will be held at Hall Grove on Tuesday. Good luck!

Rounders

The girls enjoyed a large number of rounders matches on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and despite most of the matches not going our way, their coaches were pleased with the effort and application on show.

Athletics

Congratulations to the boys and girls who competed in the six schools athletics meeting on Monday night at Claremont Fan Court School. There were some fine individual performances throughout the afternoon which earned good points in the team competition but it was down to the relays to decide which school would win the event. The relay teams performed exceptionally well winning or coming second in all but one of the races, this was just what the team needed to pip Danes Hill by just one point to become overall winners.

Golf

Mr Gold was delighted with the golf team on Thursday, who had a most enjoyable afternoon at Bradfield College against The Dragon. A close match finished as a tie. James Brash continues to show considerable promise, finishing 7th at the USKids European Championships in Scotland and second out of the British competitors.

Additions and amendments

Thursday 21st June

Due to Year 4's performance of The Lion King next Thursday, please note that all Under 9 sporting fixtures have been cancelled.

Bagshot's Big Bike Ride - Sunday 24th June - 0830

Charity cycling event in aid of Sebastian's Action Trust, supporting families of seriously ill children. The event has three different courses to choose from, 18, 54 or 77 miles starting and finishing at Hall Grove School!

To register or for more information:

W: www.sebastiansactiontrust.org/BBR18

T: 01344 622500

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Bagshot Cricket Club - Girls Cricket Training - 17th June

Bagshot Cricket Club will be running a Girls Only cricket session on Sunday 17th June from 1000-1100. This is suitable for girls aged 8-13 and for those with or without cricket experience and is completely free of charge. There is no obligation to join the club, it is just an opportunity to have some fun and learn a bit more about cricket. Run by a Level 2 female coach, please email gdunnage@icloud.com to sign up or for more information. So have a go.

The Stowe Putter - The Premier National Prep School Golf Competition

Wednesday 22nd August. Practice day Tuesday 21st August.

Competitors should be over 11 years and under 14 on 1st September 2018.

For further details please see attached flyer or contact Andrew Hancox at ahancox@stowe.co.uk

Closing date for entries **Friday 22nd June 2018**.

Beekeeper Wanted!

We have gathered a swarm into an empty hive in the Walled Garden and would like to find a local Beekeeper to oversee the care of the hive and share their love of bees. Please contact the School Office with details (office@hallgrove.co.uk)

Jamie & The Jets

Mr Sutton is playing bass guitar and double bass in a band, Jamie & the Jets, beginning their summer tour tomorrow in Alton, with a gig alongside poet John Hegley at Petworth Fringe on July 1st. Venue dates as follows:

June 16th, 1800 - 2000 at The George in Alton, Butts Rd, Alton GU34 1LH.

Two sets of melodic magic from the harmonic foursome, Jamie & the Jets (Jumbo, Harrier, and Suffra).

July 1st, 1930 Petworth Fringe, Leconfield Hall, Petworth GU28 0AH

John Hegley and Friends: an evening with John Hegley, one of the nation's best-loved poets.

July 8th, 1700 - 2230 Haslemere Fringe, Lion Green, Haslemere, GU27 1LL

Alongside poets Speech Painter, Steve Tasane, Audi Maserati and bands Radio KWG and Orange Bomb.