



Newsletter 614
29th June 2018

Thanks to a wonderful fund raising dinner, the Jabulani, to some selling of products by the visual arts department and to a great deal of determined swimming by all the pupils, we are now well on the road to raising £20,000 for Miwaleni School in Tanzania. The money will make a huge difference to the welfare of hundreds of children in this very poor part of Africa. Thank you all for your generosity and support.

The concert on Monday is another opportunity for us to raise some funds for Africa. Families are invited to picnic in the gardens ‘Glyndebourne style’ whilst enjoying lovely music from our ensemble groups. Pimms and ice cream will be sold and there will be a collection, so please bring money. It is suggested that parents arrive after 6.15 pm to set themselves up with picnic rugs in the walled garden. Please enter through the oak door by Badgers Cottage.

The last week of term brings a number of events and closes with the main school prize giving on Friday at 1100. Please note that this year seats are reserved for parents of prize winners and to parents of Year 8 boys and girls, all of whom will be invited onto the stage. Other parents are asked to hold back and stand at the back of the hall or watch from the gallery. The Pre-Prep and Early Years end of year ceremony, to which all parents are invited, will be at 0900 in New Hall. A prize list is attached to this Newsletter.

A welcome back to Year 8 after their Leavers’ trip to Devon. By all accounts they have had a wonderful time.

Staff News

Very many congratulations to Louise Skinner on her engagement to Mr James Lovett.

Miranda Rowland (née Dowse) will be moving to Kent following her recent marriage and will leave us at the end of term. We very much hope that she will remain in close contact with the school and that we will see her back again at Hall Grove for periodic arts festivals and events. We wish her all the best for the future.

DIARY REMINDERS

JULY

Monday 2nd

1900 Summer Concert

Tuesday 3rd

0835 Year 8 Assembly

1700 Footsteps Performance

Wednesday 4th

1400—1600 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

0900 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

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The Uniform Shop

Summer Opening Times:

Friday 27th July 1000 - 1200

Monday 13th August 0930 - 1230

Saturday 1st Sept 0930 - 1500

(note change of date in bold)

Books and Shoes for Africa - final reminder

Any further donations welcomed before the container is shipped off to Africa.

Masterchef

Good luck to those participating in the dessert round of Masterchef. With only three chefs progressing to final on Thursday, things are really hotting up!

Footsteps Performance - Tuesday 3rd July, 1700

Please note the Footsteps Performance will take place in New hall at 1700 on Tuesday 3rd July. All Pre-Prep children will be collected from their class rooms as usual for dance. Everyone should bring their Footsteps dance uniform to wear under their costumes and have their hair up ready, especially those who do not normally have dance on a Tuesday (Beginners Ballet and Musical Theatre).

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

Second-hand uniform sale on Wednesday 4th July from 1400—1600 in 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)

Prize Giving - Friday 6th July

Early Years and Pre-Prep - A reminder that a special Pre-Prep Prize Giving, tailored for the younger children, will take place on Friday 6th July. Children should come to class as usual in the morning. Parents are then invited to join pupils from Pre-School through to Year 2 in New Hall at 0900 (**not** 0915 as previously advertised) for a review of the year and for the award of prizes. This should be completed by 1000 and the children are then able to go home. Those parents who are also attending the Prize Giving for Years 3 - 8 may take their child with them, or we will look after them. Please let the class teacher know if this is the case so we can ensure that there are staff available. School on the last day will finish by 1030 for Pre-Prep children.

Years 3 to 8 - Parents are welcome to attend Prize Giving on Friday in New Hall at 1100.

As is traditional, our prizes will be presented by a Year 8 parent, this year Mrs Stella Hessian (whose four children have attended Hall Grove for the last eighteen years). Our guest speaker will be Mr Charles Bray, father of Eden (now a pupil at Wellington College) and of Linus (Year 8). Parking will be available on the fields. All Year 8 leavers will be called to the stage at the end of the ceremony to mark their achievements.

Junior Library – Pre-School to Year 4

Can all books be returned to the Junior Library next week please.

After School Clubs, 360 Sports Education & Twilight

Please note that **ALL** After School Activities finish **TODAY**. Information for next term's clubs will be sent out in the first couple of weeks of the holiday. On-line bookings will be open in the first week of the Autumn Term and clubs will commence week beginning 10th September.

360 Sports Education and Twilight will be available to book up to and including Thursday 5th July.

School Reports, Newsletters, School Invoices and the Autumn Term Calendar

School reports will be posted to parents during the holidays and invoices will be sent out electronically. The School Newsletter and School insurance information will be sent to parents during the Summer holidays by ClarionCall and will also be available on the School website. A provisional copy of the Autumn Term Calendar will be available shortly after the end of term on the school website and a hard copy will be sent to parents.

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)

End of Term Arrangements - Friday 6th July

0900 Early Years and Pre-Prep Prize Giving
1015 Term Ends for Early Years and Pre-Prep
1100 Years 3-8 Prize Giving
1200 Term Ends for years 3-8

LAMDA Speech and Drama Sessions

For the attention of parents with children entering Year 6 next year.

Our very successful LAMDA programme will continue next year and parents are invited to book a slot for their child, subject to availability. Classes can be attended in pairs (Duo) or individually (Solo). Classes are billed separately and run in a similar way to our individual music lessons, the charges are comparable. Under the watchful eye of Mrs Brown who has many years' experience as a LAMDA teacher, most pupils have worked towards their first exams this year and gained a great deal from the sessions. Classes currently take place on a Tuesday within the normal school day (occasionally continuing to 1800) and rotate on a carousel to avoid children missing the same lesson each week. We will plan next term's timetable during the Summer holiday, so if you would like your child to attend in the Autumn we ask that you communicate your firm interest to Mr Slape as soon as possible (even if you have enquired earlier in the year), and no later than Friday 6th July. If you have any questions about the content of the sessions or what they involve please contact Mrs Brown directly via email (jenny@jjb-drama-studios.co.uk).

If your child currently attends LAMDA lessons in Upper School, we ask that you inform Mrs Brown as to whether you would like them to continue next year. She can then plan her time accordingly.

These sessions require a commitment from your child. They must check the weekly timetable, turn up on time, learn their pieces and catch up on any class work missed. LAMDA students are also called to perform in assembly or informal recitals. It is important the children understand these expectations and commitments before they sign up. Those attending regular music lessons, or who have additional sporting commitments should also consider their time very carefully. It may not be appropriate for them to miss additional lesson time.

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Friday 27th July 1000 - 1200
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Music

Summer Concert

As previously stated if your child is in the following ensembles, they will be performing on Monday night in the Walled Garden.

Choristers, Semi-Chorus, Hall Grove Choir, Concert Band, Junior Brass, Jazz Ensemble, Junior Strings, String Orchestra, Junior Band, Senior Band, Recorder Ensemble and Percussion Ensemble.

Leaver's Evensong

The choristers will be singing at this service which takes place at 1700 next Thursday. Chorister parents are more than welcome to attend.

Music Exams

Results of the music exams will be sent to Miss Post within the next week or two. She will then email over to the Peripatetics, who will then contact you directly.

Sport

Weekly review

Boys' Games

Wednesday saw a block fixture against Bishopsgate, with our teams winning four matches out of seven. Our junior teams played Staines Prep on Thursday, winning all seven fixtures to continue their excellent season.

Girls' Games

On Wednesday afternoon the senior girls had matches against Edgeborough and St Andrews, despite great effort on a warm day the scores didn't go our way.

On Thursday the U8A & B and U9A & B teams played against Edgeborough. The U8A played at Home and had a close game, but were unfortunately defeated; however, the U8B team were victorious!

The U9 girls were a delight on the away fixture to Edgeborough. They all played brilliantly and we brought home two victories!

Games Notices and Reminders

Saturday 30th

Cricket v Sunningdale

1430 U13 B, C, U11 B, (h) Meet @Hall Grove @1400

1430 U13 A, U11 A, U11 C (a) Meet @Hall Grove @1350

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Congratulations

Daniel Penney in 4DL has been successful in his audition for the Theatre Royal Windsor production of CATS. He will be performing the part of Viktor, a chorus cat, in the second week in August. We wish him well for the performance.

Good luck John Fitzpatrick at the ITU Multisport World Championships in July

John Fitzpatrick (father of Carina, Year 5) has been selected to represent the GBR Age Group Team at the ITU (International Triathlon Union) Multisport World Championships in Denmark 5 – 14 July. The selection process is very tough and only the best athletes in duathlon, cross triathlon, aquathlon, aquabike and long distance triathlon compete from all over the world. John will be racing in the Aquathon (1km swim + 5km run) on Thursday 12th July and we wish him the very best of luck.

Qualified Swimming Teacher

Jacky Arnold, Hall Grove's afternoon receptionist, who is a fully qualified swimming teacher, is available for teaching during the Summer holidays to anyone who has a pool and would like lessons for their children (beginners to swimmers who would like to improve, adults and children). For more information please email: jacky.arnold@virgin.net

Golf clubs for sale

Selling 2 sets of USKids Ultralight golf clubs:

54" = 5,6,7,8,9,PW,SW, Fairway metal & hybrid (suitable for age 8/9, height 54"-57") plus USKids stand bag = £140.00

57" = 5,6,7,8,9,PW,SW (suitable for age 9/11, height 57"-60") = £90

Please contact: B' Brash on chrisandb@hotmail.com or 07527 624962

Gravity Force - Fantastic Savings over the Summer Holidays

Gravity Force have launched an Annual Pass of just £8 per person per month. Each pass gives unlimited access to all trampoline parks on all jump sessions (excluding fitness & parties), during the day, evenings, weekends and all school holidays! This is less than the price of a standard jump booking!

To buy your Annual Passes please email Gemma.bawden@gravityforce.co.uk

Summer Camps

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