



In addition to several new staff appointments announced earlier this year, we are delighted to have taken on two excellent trainee teachers, Mr Harry Quartermaine and Mr Bertie Graham. Both have made an instant impression with the pupils and they have much to offer the school. We also have two new Gap students, both former pupils of Hall Grove: Olivia Saligo who graduated from Manchester University in the summer, and Megan Shaw who took A Levels at Wellington this year and will go up to Durham University in 2019.

It has been a good first week back and the school is settling down to a steady rhythm. The staff all worked exceptionally hard to get the classrooms ready for the start of term, and the new teaching and changing areas are proving to be successful. Now that the repairs and decorations to the main house are complete, the scaffolding can begin to be dismantled next week. The builders' attention will turn towards finishing the Wessex extension and the new equipment store for our grounds maintenance machinery.

The week finished with the remarkable story of Robbie's Rocket - our thanks to Mr and Mrs Hiles for launching their programme of performances in such an exciting way by bringing their amazing show to Hall Grove.

The Jubilee Bell

We were delighted to congratulate the following three boys at Assembly:

James Brash who has had a remarkable summer. In the U11 British Kids Championship, held at Celtic Manor, James shot 74, 73 (on a par 72 course). He came second, only missing out by a shot. The Stowe Putter proved to be another successful competition. Having won the Junior Jigger last year, he once again played superbly, winning the U12 Salver and finishing runner-up in the main competition. A few days later, James played in another event and shot level par and now has an official handicap of 8.6. To round off a wonderful summer of golf, he qualified to play in The Seve Pro-Am at Foxhills.

Oscar Fry attended the week-long Topper 4.2 National Championships at the end of July in Weymouth, consisting of 21 races with 42 competitors. Many participants were national squad

DIARY REMINDERS

SEPTEMBER

Week commenting 10th
Co-Curricular Programme starts

Tuesday 11th
OPRO Mouthguard Fittings
1900 Early Years Parents' Briefing

Thursday 13th
1900 Years 3 & 4 Parents' Briefing

Monday 17th
0815-1000 FOHG Coffee Morning

Tuesday 18th
0835 8LM Assembly
Year 3 to Butser Ancient Farm

Wednesday 19th
0815-0915 Years 1 & 2
Open Classrooms

Thursday 20th
0835 6MW Assembly
Year 7 Residential Trip to France

Tuesday 25th
0835 5GH Assembly

Thursday 27th
0835 7ST Assembly

Friday 28th
Gillman & Soame Individual & Sibling
Photographs

OCTOBER

Monday 1st
0840 Learning Support Coffee Morning

Tuesday 2nd
0835 6TH Assembly

Wednesday 3rd
1700 Pre-School, Reception Parents'
Meetings

1700 Years 1 & 2 Parents' Meetings

Thursday 4th
1600 Pre-School, Reception Parents'
Meetings
1600 Years 1 & 2 Parents' Meetings

sailors and some were international sailors from China where the world championships are currently being held. Oscar had a tough start as the first day was extremely windy and he suffered a little with his physical size. After that he fought back day after day, climbing up the leaderboard. He eventually finished 2nd overall, an amazing achievement!

Cole Lam achieved a near faultless Grade 8 Piano score in a recent exam and has also gained Grade 6 with Distinction on the clarinet. He is an exceptional musician and continues to make outstanding progress.

Congratulations!

Warmest congratulations to Victoria Denning and Indiana Leech, both of whom have been offered roles in a Windsor production of The Wizard of Oz. They attended an open audition with over 300 other children so should be very proud of their achievement.

Reminder: After School Clubs

Clubs begin next week. Online booking will be closed on Monday 10th September at 1100. Any changes or new bookings after this time should be made through the School Office.

School Database Administration

If you moved house over the Summer, recently changed your mobile phone number or email address please email the front office (office@hallgrove.co.uk) to let them know your details have changed. For any families that have recently relocated to the UK, please can you ensure we have your most up to date UK address.

Hall Grove Dance Classes

Dance uniform, which is compulsory for all after school dance pupils, will be available for you to purchase in 1AE, Mrs Easeman's class room, on Wednesday 12th September from 1600. Please note payment is by cash or cheque only. If you wish to pre-order dance shoes in advance please email Miss Stein at f.stein@hallgrove.co.uk.

FOHG Coffee Morning - Monday 17th September

Please join us for a lovely social gathering with complimentary tea and coffee, 0815-1000 in the Lighthouse. This is a great opportunity to meet staff and parents. All are welcome.

Friends of Hall Grove is an initiative that came about following a Parents' Forum held in Autumn 2011. It was felt that instead of having a set committee shouldering the responsibility for all events and fundraising at Hall Grove, all parents would be invited to take part and meet once a term to discuss possible future events and have the opportunity to lead or be a part of smaller groups which would be formed according to need. All meetings are advertised in the weekly newsletter and are held at school (in the Lighthouse) for convenience.

Reminder: Prize Giving Cups and Awards

If your child was presented with a cup at Prize Giving, please could you have the cup engraved in the same format as the previous winner and return it to the School Office. Thank you.

Second-hand Uniform Sale

Over £1,000 was raised. The Pupils' School Council will decide which charities they'd like to support this term.

Music

Music lessons, Music Practice Club and all Music Ensembles (including Choristers and both other choirs) start next week.

Miss Post has been treated all week to some fabulous singing and would like to say a big thank you to everyone who came to audition this week for either Choristers or the Semi-Chorus section of Choristers. For those that have not got in, please do not be disheartened,

ABSENCES

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

TERM DATES

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

SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS

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

it was a very tough year of auditions, and please do keep on singing! If parents would like any individual feedback please email Miss Post who will be happy to guide you on where improvements could be made.

Sport

Congratulations to Grace Aldridge, Hana Evason, Amelie Lomas, Jazmine Sherrington and Amelie Smith who have all been selected for the Berkshire Under 14 County Netball Academy. Some of our Year 6 girls thoroughly enjoyed their day at a festival of hockey hosted by Wellington College.

Weekend Fixtures

Saturday 8th September

Girls' Hockey v Holyport (at Eton)

1030 U13 A, U12 A Meet at Hall Grove by 0930

Boys' Football Tournament

1000 U13 A, U11 A, U10 A Meet at Hall Grove by 0930

Sunday 9th September

Four Schools' Cricket Festival

1st XI squad to meet at Hall Grove by 0915 for a full day of cricket.

Reminder OPRO mouthguard fittings will be on Tuesday next week. So make sure that you have ordered and paid for your mouthguard via [this link](#) beforehand.

Pony Grove

Pony Grove has some group riding lessons available this term.

Monday 1545 Years 1 & 2 1 space

Monday 1745 Years 6-8 2 spaces

Tuesday 1645 Years 3-5 1 space

Thursday 1545 Years 1-2 1 space

Thursday 1645 Years 3-5 1 space

If you would like any further information about Pony Grove or any of these spaces please contact Caroline Hadden-Wight on carolinehaddenwight@me.com or 07734049837

Hall Grove Open Morning – Thursday 18th October

There will be an Open Morning taking place on Thursday 18th October from 0930 to 1130. It is intended for prospective parents so we should be grateful if you would inform friends and work colleagues who may be interested in sending a child to Hall Grove one day.

Senior School Open Mornings

Information regarding Senior School Open Mornings can be found via the link on the right-hand side of this page.

Babysitting

Meg Shaw, an ex-Hall Grove pupil and GAP Student for this term, is saving up for her travels after Christmas. She is available for evening and weekend babysitting. She drives, cooks and has lots of experience with children of all ages. For more information please contact her on 07554889723 or through her email megshaw6@gmail.com

EB SPORTS Annual Open Cricket Morning

EB SPORTS are holding their Annual Open Cricket Morning at Eversley Indoor Cricket Centre for boys and girls in the age range 9-13yrs. This is a coaching morning designed to highlight our coaching experience from the past 24 years. For further information please see flyer in 'Newsletter Attachments'.