



## Newsletter 630 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019

*This coming Thursday we have a special speaker at school who will talk to senior pupils about ways they can present themselves positively in a wide range of social contexts. Andrew Wright is a talented and highly respected life coach who will share some interesting thoughts that he has developed over a successful media and business career. He will also give an evening talk for staff and parents in the Admiral Room at 1900. If you would like to come, please book a place [here](#).*

*This weekend the cast of Lenutza are filming in Devon for their multi-media production that they will present at public performances at the South Hill Park Arts Centre on Tuesday, March 5th. We hope many pupils, parents and friends of the school will wish to support this exciting project. Tickets are available [here](#).*

*The Inter-House Cross-Country competition tomorrow promises to be a great event. Full details below – don't miss it!*

### Summer Dates for the Diary

Saturday 11th May	Hall Grove Country Day and Open Gardens
Friday 7th June	Early Years & Pre-Prep Sports Day
Saturday 8th June	Sports Day Years 3-8
Friday 28th June	Caribbean Night (Parents Social)

### Andrew Wright, Life Coach – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Hall Grove will be welcoming Andrew Wright to speak with students from Year 6, 7 & 8. Andrew started his Communications, Media, and Coaching career in the television industry working in some of the world's most dangerous places. His experiences have ranged from managing hostile media interviews, running live news broadcasts, to consulting on advanced techniques like body language, vocal intonation and cross-cultural communication.

He serves the international corporate sector as well as some of the UK's top schools including Eton and Charterhouse.

Parents are invited to join Andrew at 7.00 pm to find out the key messages that have been delivered to children; this will be followed by a Q&A. The talk will be approximately 90 minutes in the Admiral Room. Please book a place [here](#).

### DIARY REMINDERS

#### JANUARY

**Tuesday 29th**  
0820 Learning Support Coffee Morning in the Lighthouse

**Thursday 31st**  
0835 4DL Assembly  
1900 Visiting Speaker – Andrew Wright, Life Coach

#### FEBRUARY

**Tuesday 5th**  
0835 5GH Assembly

**Wednesday 6th**  
1900 EYFS/Pre-Prep Parents' Reading Workshop

**Thursday 7th**  
0835 7LR Assembly

**Friday 8th**  
0900 2KH Assembly

**Tuesday 12th**  
1830 3KD present 'Robbie's Supersonic Submarine!'

**Wednesday 13th**  
1830 3VB Present 'Robbie's Supersonic Submarine!'

**Saturday 16th – Sunday 24th incl**  
Half Term

#### MARCH

**Saturday 2nd**  
1000-1600 'Lenutza' Rehearsal – Year 8

**Tuesday 5th**  
0835 5CG Assembly  
Year 6 to Woking Mosque  
1900 Year 8 Present 'Lenutza'

**Thursday 7th**  
0835 6AK Assembly  
0900 2KH Chocolate Factory  
1320 2LP Chocolate Factory

**Friday 8th**  
0900 1AE Assembly

**Monday 11th**  
1900 Spring Concert

## Hall Grove Open Morning – Thursday 14th March

Our next Open Morning for prospective parents will be taking place on Thursday 14th March 0930 – 1130. Please tell your friends and work colleagues who may be interested in sending a child to Hall Grove one day. As we are looking at the possibility of running daily mini-bus services both locally and from West London, do also let any London friends know about the school.

## Hall Grove Ski Trip 2019/2020 - *Please note amendments*

Hall Grove will once again be heading to Zell am Zee, with the trip leaving on Saturday 28th December 2019 and will return on Friday 3rd January 2020. Please [follow the link](#) to watch films and photos from this year's trip to give a flavour of what happens on a school ski holiday. The children will have five full days skiing with five hours tuition a day specific to their ability. This means that every novice is able to become a safe and competent skier. Those at intermediate or advanced levels have the opportunity to develop and refine their skills even further. As the trip is very popular, places are filling up quickly. The cost is still to be finalised but will be in the region of £1250. Please email [Mr Tullett](#) if you would like to reserve a place for your son or daughter. The trip is open to children who will be in Years 4-8 next year.

## Caribbean Evening - Friday 28th June

[The online booking system](#) is now open.

## Music

### Music Competition

We are very much looking forward to our annual Music Competition next week, taking place on Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings between 0900-1245. Miss Post has already sent out details, but they are attached to this newsletter as well. The competition takes place in the New Hall, and parents are warmly invited to come in and watch. Family and friends should arrive 10 minutes before each class and wait quietly at the back of the Hall until the previous class has finished. There is no need to sign in at the Front Office.

### Informal Concerts

Congratulations to those who performed in today's Informal String Concerts. It was wonderful to have too many performers for one concert, that we had to put on two!

### ABRSM Exams

The exams this term are provisionally booked for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and entries have now been made. A timetable will be sent out by half term directly by Mr William Thorne.

## Sport

Well done to the girls for a great week on the netball courts, with solid performances from the U11 and U13 girls' teams on Saturday. On Wednesday, all the teams played exceptionally well against Guildford High, recording five wins and a draw against strong opposition.

The boys concluded their rugby season with some pleasing performances against Woodcote on Saturday. The U11's had a good win, and the U12's recorded a very hard fought draw. The juniors played Papplewick on Monday, with the boys putting on a good display and showing how much they have progressed this season. The Cross Country season started on Thursday with the Sunningdale relays; well done to the U11 A's who won and U13 A's who came second, meaning Hall Grove were overall victors.

Further details of results and arrangements can be found by following [this link](#).

## **ABSENCES**

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

## **TERM DATES**

### **Spring Term 2019**

7th January – 29th March

Half Term:

16th – 24th February

### **Summer Term 2019**

24th April – 12th July

Half Term:

25th May – 2nd June

### **Autumn Term 2019**

9th September – 20th December

Half Term:

26th October – 10th November

### **Spring Term 2020**

13th January – 27th March

Half Term:

15th – 23rd February

### **Summer Term 2020**

22nd April – Friday 10th July

Half Term:

23rd – 31st May

## **KEY DATES 2019**

### **7th June**

Early Years & PrePrep Sports Day

### **8th June**

Sports Day Years 3-8

### **28th June**

Caribbean Night (Parents Social)

## **NEWSLETTER**

## **ATTACHMENTS**

## **SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS**

## **FEBRUARY HALF TERM & EASTER CAMPS**

**Don't forget to follow us on  
Twitter! [@hallgroveschool](#)  
[@hallgrovesport](#)**

### **House Cross Country**

Children must wear their house colours and run in shorts/skorts or leggings. The forecast is mild, so please do not overdress your children. Running spikes are permitted. Please ensure your child arrives 15 minutes before the scheduled time and there will be refreshments after the race and a quick presentation before the children are free to leave. House Captains and Leaders are encouraged to come and support the younger pupils.

### **Race Times:**

1400 Year 3  
1430 Year 4  
1500 Year 5  
1530 Year 6  
1600 Years 7 and 8

### **Christmas Production DVDs**

We expect delivery of the pre-ordered Christmas production DVDs within the next few weeks and will distribute these to those families who ordered a copy.

### **February Half Term & Easter Camps**

For further information, please click the link in the right-hand column of the previous page.

### **Farnborough Hill presents The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe**

Monday 17th June, 1100 - 1300

Please [click here](#) to reserve your tickets.