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Last week we were fortunate enough to have had as a guest in school Andrew Wright, a well-respected life coach whose work with young people and adults is widely regarded. His talks with Years 6, 7 & 8 made a huge impact, and in the evening a number of parents joined the staff for a session where he expanded on his themes.

The importance of communication, posture, speech and presentation were all emphasised, and there were reminders of the harm that can be done by misuse of social media. The children were exhorted to look out for each other's wellbeing. Given recent public concerns about these issues, it was a timely intervention and one that we will aim to repeat on a regular basis.

Our thanks to the Early Years and Pre-Prep staff for their excellent reading work shop on Wednesday. There was very good attendance by parents and the feedback has been most positive.

Today the girls of Years 5, 6, 7 & 8 had an inspiring talk from Pre-Prep parent Di Doherty, the sports TV journalist. She has had a distinguished career and will be commentating at the Netball World Cup later this year. Her message of the importance of hard work and thorough preparation was not lost on her young audience.

Scholarship News

We have had exciting news of Scholarship success for a number of Year 8 pupils.
Hayden Debenham, Sports Scholarship at St George's, Weybridge
Thomas Dyson, Drama Scholarship at St George's, Weybridge
Oscar Fry, Music Scholarship at Wellington College
Tara Rijal, Music Scholarship at Wellington College
Ozzie Whiteley, Art Scholarship at Frensham Heights

Many congratulations to them all.

Reminder: Year 3 present 'Robbie's Supersonic Submarine'

The Year 3s are excitedly preparing for their performances of Robbie's Supersonic Submarine. Notes have gone into their diaries with costume requests, and we ask that the children spend their homework time this weekend learning their lines. They can also practise the songs by using YouTube and searching for Robbie's Supersonic Submarine.

DIARY REMINDERS

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 12th

1830 3KD present 'Robbie's Supersonic Submarine!'

Wednesday 13th

1830 3VB present 'Robbie's Supersonic Submarine!'

Thursday 14th

1830 3SS 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

Tuesday 12th

0835 6TH Assembly
1800 Year 5 & 6 Parents' Meeting

Thursday 14th

0835 7ST Assembly
Open Morning for Prospective Parents
1800 Years 5 & 6 Parents' Meetings

Monday 18th

Year 3 & 4 Parent Interviews

Tuesday 19th

0945 Choristers Radio 4/LW Daily Service
Early Years & Pre-Prep Meetings
Years 3 & 4 Parents' Meetings

Wednesday 20th

Early Years & Pre-Prep Meetings
1800 Years 7 & 8 Parents' Meetings

Please note that the performances are in the New Hall at 1830:

Tuesday 12th	3KD with 3SS singing
Wednesday 13th	3VB with 3KD singing
Thursday 14th	3SS performing with 3VB singing

The children will need to be dropped back to school at 1815 in costume. We would ideally like the children to be collected at 1600 each day so that they can rest and eat but they are also welcome to stay for their clubs and supper will be provided. Please book in the usual way.

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.

Caribbean Evening – Friday 28th June

The online booking system is now open.

Music

Informal Concerts

Congratulations to those who performed in today's Informal Brass Concert. It was fantastic to see such depth in numbers and hear from some of our beginners right through to senior pupils. Next week we have our Informal Percussion Concert. If you would like your child to perform and they learn outside of school, please contact Mrs Jill Saunders (and Miss Post) by Tuesday lunchtime.

ABRSM Exams

A timetable for the exams will be sent out next week from Mr Thorne. Please keep an eye out for an email from him.

Sport

Congratulations to the U12A netball team on their fantastic performance on Wednesday at the Surrey Schools Netball Tournament. The seven girls who attended won 6 and drew 1 of their matches to secure 2nd place in the tournament and more importantly qualify for the Surrey Schools Finals for the first time in Hall Grove history. Well done to all the girls and their coaches for all their hard work. Our junior netball players also had a good day on Thursday, the U8 and U9 teams achieving 4 wins against Lambrook. The boys had a tough day against Eagle House; the U13 A's played exceptionally well and were rewarded with a hard fought draw. The U10's continued their run of form with a win for the A's and a draw for the B's and D's. The Year 3 and 4 boys enjoyed an open hockey training session, and we would like to thank the parents who attended to support this event.

Good luck to the netball and hockey teams playing tomorrow, please check the timesheets for up to date timings and venues by following [this link](#).

Sporting Tours for 2019/2020 Academic Year

Cricket Tour to Dubai Easter 2020

In addition to the sporting tours listed below we are delighted to announce we are planning a cricket tour to Dubai during the Easter break 2020. This will be open to pupils in current years 6 and 7 and will be limited to 12 places. The cost will be in the region of £1800. To express an interest, please email [Mr Tomlinson](#).

ABSENCES

If your child is unwell please
T: 01276 473059 (option 1) or
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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

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)

NEWSLETTER

ATTACHMENTS

SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS

FEBRUARY HALF TERM & EASTER CAMPS

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

Battisborough Netball (Wednesday 6th - Saturday 9th November)

An opportunity for the current Year 6 and 7 girls to enjoy Battisborough and take part in some fun pre-season training, team bonding and competitive matches. Cost is likely to be in the region of £220.

To register an interest, please email [Mrs Maxfield](#).

Edinburgh Pre-season Rugby Tour (Thursday 7th - Monday 11th November)

Boys currently in Years 5-7 are invited to register interest in next year's pre-season rugby tour to Edinburgh. This five-day trip will consist of matches against local schools, intensive rugby training sessions, numerous excursions (such as a tour of Murrayfield Stadium) and a chance to watch a professional rugby match. The cost of the tour will be in the region of £500.

To register interest, please email [Mr Cottrell](#).

Hall Grove Ski Trip to Austria 28th December 2019 – 3rd January 2020

This is a very popular trip and an excellent opportunity for children of all abilities to learn to ski or further develop their skills. The children will have five full days skiing and five hours of tuition a day specific to their ability. The cost will be £1260 all-inclusive. Places do fill quickly so to register an interest, please email [Mr Tullett](#).

Easter Netball Tour to Disneyland Paris 15th -19th April 2020

This is the second time Hall Grove will be attending this event in the exciting setting of Disneyland Paris. Available to next year's Year 7 and 8 girls only. The cost will be in the region of £750 – all inclusive.

Inquires should be directed to [Mrs Maxfield](#).

Tennis Tour 2020

This annual tour typically takes place towards the end of the Easter Holidays. Previous tours have been five days (four nights) in either Spain or Portugal and the cost is approximately £850. Please be advised that this books up very quickly. Inquiries should be directed to [Mr Slape](#) though it is not possible to book until the dates are released.

February Half Term & Easter Camps

For further information, including details of an exciting netball camp for senior girls with Jade Clarke, England's most capped player, please click the link in the right-hand column of the previous page.

Ski Chalet to Rent (available for half term)

Stunning 10-bed ski chalet available to rent in St Martin de Belleville in 3 Valleys ski area, France.

Large lounge with cathedral windows, feature fireplace, mezzanine with UK TV, DVD player. Well equipped modern kitchen and large dining room, furnished sun terrace, patio, 7 seater hot tub.

4 doubles/twins all with ensembles and separate bunk room.

Chalet Astilla is newly completed and taking bookings from 16th February! Owned by former Hall Grove family.

For more information <https://selfcatered-saintmartin.com/chalets/astilla/>

Camberley Theatre Presents - Robin Hood - 9th-31st December 2019

Box Office 01276 707600

For further information please see attached flyers.