



Newsletter 637
22nd March 2019

As we approach the last week of this busy term, we can reflect with pleasure on many highlights. It has been a happy term with pupils stretched in the classroom and engaged in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities. Theatrical and musical performance has been a dominant theme with many of the children having taken part in concerts and plays. We have admired some excellent assembly presentations and there have been many exciting sporting events, particularly hockey, netball, cross-country and Judo.

Last week's Open Morning was well attended and there were some delightful compliments from the visitors for staff and pupils. Our lists for next year look strong, and the school is in good shape to survive whatever winds the economy may now blow.

As we move into Spring, we wish all our families a very good break over Easter. Reports will be sent out in the holidays together with the calendar for next term and our latest school magazine.

Charity Donation

Congratulations to two Year 8 pupils, Hope Wood and Thomas Dyson, who embarked on a sponsored silence to raise funds for Story, a charity which funds melanoma research and is based in Guildford. They raised a magnificent £331.70.

Early Years and Pre-Prep Performance Afternoon

Our youngest pupils are very much looking forward to performing on Thursday afternoon in New Hall at 1400. Doors will open at 1340.

Exhibition Hockey Match - Friday 29th March, 1600

A team of former pupils will return to school to play in our annual fixture. Spectators very welcome, and any experienced hockey players on the parental body are encouraged to contact Mr Quartermaine to reserve your spot in a team. There will be food and drinks in the Lighthouse after the match. It is always a most enjoyable end to the Spring term!

Junior Library: Pre-School to Year 4

Please can all library books be returned to the Junior Library by Friday 29th March. The children can choose books again after the Easter holidays.

DIARY REMINDERS

MARCH

Friday 22nd
 Co-Curricular **Clubs finish**

Tuesday 26th
 Second Hand Uniform Sale **DROP OFF** at Pavilion

1900 Year 5 Present 'The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe'

Thursday 28th
 1400 Early Years & Pre-Prep Performance Afternoon

1500-1700 Second-hand Uniform Sale

Friday 29th
 1400 Easter Service

Term Ends:
 1500 Pre-Prep
 1600 Years 3 and 4
 1620 Years 5 and 6
 1630 Years 7 and 8
 1600 Old Hall Grovians' Exhibition
 Hockey Match

APRIL

Term starts:
 Wednesday 24th April

Co-Curricular Clubs / Extended Day

Please note all clubs, including the extended day, finish today and will resume next term.

Reminder: Second-hand Uniform Sales - Thursday 28th March

Please deliver items on Tuesday 26th March to the Pavilion.

| Sale Date | Venue | Timings |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Thursday 28th March | The Pavilion | 1500-1700 |

Music

Choristers

The Choristers will be singing at the Easter Service which is held on the final day of term at 1400 in the New Hall. Chorister parents are welcome to attend this service.

Music Practice Club

Practice Club will again run on Monday and Tuesday evenings next term between 1630-1730. If you would like your child to attend a half hour session, please contact Mr Will Thorne to book a slot (w.thorne@hallgrove.co.uk). These sessions are free of charge.

Sport

We are delighted to report yet another successful week of sport. The girls' lacrosse teams performed very well against Edgeborough at all age groups and in particular a special mention to the U8 and U9 teams for their wins on Thursday. The boys finished the hockey season with a dominant performance against Crosfields in all age groups and congratulations to Hayden Debenham who received his hockey colours this week following a very successful season. The sporting highlights of the week were the U10A netball team who won the Bradfield Tournament on Wednesday against very strong opposition and the Under 12A netball side who were runners-up in the plate at the IAPS National Finals - both significant achievements. We are very proud of the dedication shown by both squads and their coaches.

Please follow [the link](#) for further timings and results.

Pony Grove

Pony Grove offers lessons for children of all abilities, from beginners to more advanced riders. We have lovely, safe ponies which give children confidence. Lessons take place in a purpose built arena with fully qualified instructors, and there are rides around the school grounds. Pony Grove is licensed by the local Council and is fully insured. Hats and boots can be supplied for children.

If you are interested in your child joining us please email ponygrovelimited@gmail.com or call 07802 766423.

Great Britain in the ITU World Championships

Good luck to John Fitzpatrick, father of Carina Fitzpatrick in Year 6, who is representing Great Britain again this year. He qualified at the Nationals a few months ago, which followed his return from last year's World Championships, where he came 22nd in the World for his age category in the Aquathlon.

John will be competing for the GBR Team in the World Aquathlon Championships held in Pontevedra, Spain on 2nd May this year.

He has been undergoing some rigorous training, including swimming coaching from our very own Jacky Arnold, from the School Office!

ABSENCES

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

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

EASTER & SUMMER

CAMPS

THE UNIFORM SHOP

Easter Opening

Monday 15th April 1430-1730

Don't forget to follow us on
Twitter! @hallgroveschool
@hallgrovesport

Easter and May Half Term Camps

Hall Grove Girls Cricket Camp

Gabby Dunnage (Surrey Cricket) and Mrs Maxfield will be running a U8-U13 girls cricket camp at Hall Grove over the Easter holidays on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th April from 1000-1500 and again in May half term on Thursday 30th and Friday 31st May.

The cost will be £40 for one day and £70 for both, please email Mrs Maxfield to reserve your place.

Valley End Cricket Club - Easter Masterclass Cricket Coaching

The Masterclasses are open to girls/boys from age 7-13. A great opportunity for cricketers to get some practice in ahead of the season through game-based learning, athleticism, technical drills, as well as team building and engaging activities.

The Masterclasses run from 1000 - 1600 (Location is dependent on weather, but either Lightwater or surrounding areas).

Dates: April 3rd, 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 16th, 17th & 18th.

1-1 slots available (30min slots) from 1630 - 1830 on each of the dates above - £30.

Full day - £50. Half day - £30. 3 days - £125. Sibling discount - 20%.

Please email veccmasterclasses@gmail.com with any questions or bookings.

Heathfield School, Ascot - Summer Camp for Girls

7th July to 3rd August, girls aged 7 to 15

For a brochure: 01344 885197 or summerschool@heathfieldschool.net

For further information on other Easter and Summer camps, please click the link in the right-hand column.