



Newsletter 651
27th September 2019

Year 7 returned from Northern France on Monday evening after a five-day language trip. The group stayed in a beautiful 18th century chateau in Picardy, Chateau Warsi ([click here](#)).

Visits to local sites where French could be heard and spoken included a snail farm (with tastings!), a chocolaterie (more tastings!), an open-air market, the cathedral city of Amiens, the excellent war museum in Albert, the remarkable Somme memorial at Thiepval and the infamous Lochnagar mine crater.

An unexpected encounter with one of the Arnhem veterans at the port of Calais added even more educational interest to what was a happy and successful trip. We are booked again for next year.

Macmillan Coffee Mornings

£612 raised so far. Thank you to all who baked, donated, drank, chatted, tasted and bought delicious goodies. Also an enormous thanks to Mrs Moore, who raised over £186 with her baking for the staff room yesterday.

Hall Grove Open Morning – Thursday 17th October

There will be an Open Morning taking place on Thursday 17th October from 0930 to 1130. It is intended for prospective parents so we would be grateful if you would inform friends and work colleagues who may be interested in sending a child to Hall Grove one day.

Hall Grove Country Fair and Grandparents Afternoon - Friday 25th October

Please let grandparents and other elderly relatives know about our annual Country Fair and Grandparents Afternoon. Mrs Graham’s first honey harvest will be debuting among other lovely produce, and there will be plenty to see and do.

Friday 4th October - Year 6 storm Warwick Castle

A reminder to Year 6 parents that the Warwick Castle trip is next Friday. Please ensure children are dropped off on the hard courts by 0745 to ensure we depart promptly at 0800. Normal pick up times apply.

**Music
 Choirs**

Details were sent out via Clarion regarding Hall Grove Choir earlier this week. This choir will now take place in the Old Hall on a Thursday at 0750.

DIARY REMINDERS

OCTOBER

- Tuesday 1st**
0835 4KF Assembly
- Thursday 3rd**
0835 5JF Assembly
- Friday 4th**
Year 6 to Warwick Castle
- Tuesday 8th**
0835 7ST Assembly
- Thursday 10th**
0835 3VB Assembly
- Tuesday 15th**
0835 6HT Assembly
Year 4 to Rural Life Museum
1700 Early Years & Pre-Prep Parents' Meetings
- Wednesday 16th**
1600 Early Years & Pre-Prep Parents' Meetings
- Thursday 17th**
0930 Open Morning for Prospective Parents
1250 Informal Strings Concert
Year 8 trip to Battisborough
- Tuesday 22nd**
0835 8LM Assembly
1700 Year 3 Parents' Meetings
- Wednesday 23rd**
1700 Year 3 Parents' Meetings
- Thursday 24th**
0835 4MC Assembly
- Friday 25th**
0835 Harvest Assembly
Country Fair Grandparents' Afternoon

HALF TERM:
 Monday 28th Oct – Fri 8th Nov

NOVEMBER

- Monday 8th**
0930–1500 Pre-Season Rugby Training
Pre-Season Netball Tour to Battisborough departs
- Friday 8th**
Rugby Tour to Scotland departs

Choristers remains on Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 0750 in the Clanwilliam Room (Semi-Chorus on Thursday in the Performance Studio).

ABRSM Exams

Entries have now been made and exams will be held in school on the **6th December only**.

Informal Concerts

Our first Informal Lunchtime Concert of the year, and also the first in the new Performance Studio was a tremendous success – well done to all the performers who played with great musicality.

Sport

The children from Upper Juniors continue to perform exceptionally well across all the sports. The Under 11 girls played some excellent hockey on their way to winning the Yateley Hockey Tournament on Wednesday, with both the semi-final and final decided by golden goals! The boys in Years 5 and 6 also enjoyed great success on the football pitches and our senior teams have continued their positive start to the season, with the 1st XI still unbeaten. Congratulations to Lemar Abuchi and Adam Young who were awarded football colours on Thursday. Both boys have no shortage of ability which is enhanced by an outstanding attitude and desire to improve in both training and matches.

Our junior teams were out in force today with the boys in Years 3 and 4 at Eagle House and the Under 9 girls enjoying their first hockey matches of the season against Lambrook. The weekend sees a full programme of sport, with Hall Grove's annual hockey tournament among the highlights. Please check the school website for further details.

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.

October Half Term Camps

For half term camp information, please click the link in the right-hand column.

Sebastian's Action Trust Christmas Market

When: Saturday 7th December

Time: 1200-1600

Where: The Woodlands, Crowthorne, RG45 7FN

Santa, activities, refreshments and stalls.

Entry by donation.

Flyer attached for more information.

Chobham RFC U15s present Happy's Circus

Sunday 13th October – 1330-1600. Please see [website](#) for further details.

Babysitting

Our three gap students are available for babysitting on the following numbers: Rosie Freeman (07840 802187); Piers Nicholls (07702 595650) and Isabel Norrey (07713 894009)

Performance Learning Online Assessment

The Year 5 – 8 parents' evenings included a brief presentation about an interesting assessment system. A number of parents have asked for more information.

Based locally in Ascot, developed over seven years of research and delivered to three continents, the Performance Learning Online Assessment (PLOA) focuses on the following critical areas of a child's performance:

- Ability to manage time

ABSENCES

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

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 (incl)

Summer Term 2020

22nd April – 10th July

Half Term:

23rd – 31st May (incl)

Autumn Term 2020

7th September – 18th December

Half Term:

24th October – 8th November

Battisborough Trips 2020

Year 4 4th – 7th May

Year 5 27th April – 1st May

Year 6 18th – 22nd May

Year 8 29th June – 3rd July

School Uniform Shop Term Time Opening Times

Mondays & Tuesdays 0800 – 0915

Thursdays 1500 – 1730

NEWSLETTER ATTACHMENTS

OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMPS

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- Ability to retain, recall and structure information
- Sleep and well-being

Resilience, mental toughness and areas of anxiety towards academic outcomes.

The assessment identifies five core perception levels proven to significantly influence the day-to-day performance of a learner:

- Responsiveness to curriculum demands
- Self-perception/ perception of teachers
- Perception of learning

Perception of school

Finally, a further 27 learning behaviours are identified and tailored into five alert levels. These alert levels indicate early on any exam and test specific barriers.

The team at Performance Learning take families through the assessment results, either in person or over the phone, providing a step-by-step, take away action plan on what to do to boost a child's performance and build resilience.

This programme would be most appropriate for children in Years 5 – 8.

To find out more, please contact nina@myperformancelearning.com