

*This time last year we were facing a strange and uncertain future. We certainly did not know then that school life would be so disrupted for such a long time. Now it seems that the future looks very much more promising for the country and we can begin to believe that the worst stages of the pandemic are well behind us.*

*The last days of the spring term are always filled with joy, this year more than ever. After some recent fine weather and the change of clocks on Sunday we are all feeling the energy that comes as we approach the beginning of the summer term.*

*We wish all our families a very happy Easter holiday.*

### **Wednesday 31st March – Collection Times**

1100 – Early Years

1110 – Year 1

1120 – Year 2

1140 - Year 3

1150 – Year 4

1200 – Year 5

1210 – Year 6

1230 – Year 7

1240 – Year 8

Collection venues remain the same.

### **After School Care – Summer Term**

From the beginning of the summer term we will restart our after-school provision prior to a full review for the autumn term. We shall take care to see that the programme is, as far as possible, Covid secure. We are not at this stage offering individual specialist clubs.

### **YEARS 5-8**

From the beginning of the summer term, After School Care will be available for pupils in Years 5-8 in the form of two options:

#### *OPTION ONE*

1630-1800 (£15 per session). Collection from the Lighthouse before supper (children will be given a snack after school)

## *OPTION TWO*

1630-1930 (£25 per session). Collection from the Lighthouse after supper (a cooked two course meal) and prep have been completed. Any cancellations will need to be received 24 hours in advance for catering purposes.

Both options include an evening activity and a light snack after school. It will not be possible to book a specific activity. Please note that charges are PER SESSION and not by time - children unable to be collected at the normal time MUST be collected at either 1800 or 1930, depending on which option has been booked. Any child not collected by 1630 (Years 5 and 6) or 1700 (Years 7 and 8) will automatically join After School Care provision and be charged accordingly.

Please reserve places at least a week in advance where possible.

Further information will be sent early next week with details of how to book After School Care.

## **PRE-SCHOOL to YEAR 4**

From the beginning of the summer term, we are able to offer After School Care on a daily basis at the following times:

*Early Years – 1530-1730* : (£20 per session). Collection from the Lighthouse at 1730, or with an older sibling at their collection time.

*Pre-Prep (Years 1 and 2):* 1530-1730 (£20 per session). Collection from the Lighthouse at 1730, or with an older sibling at their collection time.

*Lower Juniors (Years 3 and 4):* 1600-1730 £15 per session). Collection from the Lighthouse at 1730, or with an older sibling at their collection time.

Children will transfer to After School Care at the end of the school day and be given a drink and snack. Please note that charges are PER SESSION and not by time - children unable to be collected at normal time must be collected at 1730 from the Lighthouse. Any child not collected by the normal end of the school day will automatically join After School Care and be charged accordingly. Children will enjoy a range of activities both inside and out in the school grounds. It is not possible to book a specific activity.

Any child requiring supervision after 1730 is asked to contact the School Office so that they can be booked into Option 2 (details above in Years 5-8 section).

Please reserve places at least a week in advance where possible.

Further information will be sent early next week with details of how to book After School Care.

## **Breakfast bookings**

Please continue to book breakfast (£6 per day) through the school office.

## **Boarding Bookings**

Please book via the School website. For further details please contact Mr McChesney, Head of Boarding, [a.mcchesney@hallgrove.co.uk](mailto:a.mcchesney@hallgrove.co.uk)

Next term starts on Monday, April 19th. Some key dates for the summer term are given below.

## **School Uniform**

Summer uniform is to be worn from the start of term.

The Uniform Shop will continue working with online ordering and collection from the box outside the shop. They will ensure they fulfil orders and will email parents accordingly to advise when uniform is ready to collect. There is the option of delivery for a small charge if collection from school is difficult.

Should you wish to place an order please visit the Direct Clothing website [www.thedirectclothing.co.uk](http://www.thedirectclothing.co.uk) and for any other queries please email [uniformshop@hallgrove.co.uk](mailto:uniformshop@hallgrove.co.uk)

## **Music**

### *Exams*

We are delighted to be able to share the results of the music exams which took place at school last Saturday. Between them the children secured 24 passes including 11 with Merit, and 4 with Distinction across Grades 1-5. These children have worked really hard for these exams in very difficult circumstances, some not having had a lesson face-to-face with their teacher for months, so we are exceptionally proud of them for their achievements. Well done everyone!

### *Choirs*

There will be no Year 5 or Year 4 choir next week on Monday.

## **Sport**

Summer term – Updated plan

These are the dates for Saturday coaching during the summer term. Please be aware that some House events have been added for which we would like all the children to attend if possible. The carousel of sports will continue on the Saturdays listed below (weather-dependent). Should there be a change in restrictions that allow one or two fixtures, they will be added at a later date. If a child has a weekend sporting commitment for a local club, we are happy to support this. It is important we get the children as active as possible and encourage them to enjoy all sports.

### *April 24th*

Years 3 & 4: 0830 - 1000 Year 3 Boys House Rugby, Year 4 Boys House Hockey, Year 3 and 4 Girls House Netball

Years 7 & 8: 1030 – 1200 House Netball

### *May 8th*

Years 5 & 6: 0830 – 1000 Year 5 Boys House Rugby, Year 6 Boys House Hockey, Year 5 and 6 Girls House Netball

Years 7 & 8: 1030 - 1200

*May 15th*

Years 3 & 4: 0830 – 1000 Year 3 Boys House Hockey, Year 4 boys House Rugby

Years 5 & 6: 1030 – 1200 Year 5 Boys House Hockey, Year 6 Boys House Rugby

*May 22nd*

Garden Open Day (with some exhibition sport by invitation)

*June 12th*

Years 3 & 4: 0830 – 1000

Years 7 & 8: 1030 - 1200

*June 19th*

Hall Grove Tennis Tournament: Years 5 - 8

*June 26th*

Years 3 & 4: 0830 - 1000

Years 5 – 8: Potential cricket fixtures

*July 3rd*

Sports Day

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### **Wildhood Adventures**

Mr White is offering a woodland camp for children in Years 2 - 8 this August. For more information, go to [www.wildhoodadventures.co.uk](http://www.wildhoodadventures.co.uk)

### **Woking and Sam Beare Hospice**

Woking and Sam Beare Hospice and Wellbeing Care have created a fun and egg-citing (sorry) [Easter Pack](#) which can be downloaded for free. This pack contains word searches, scavenger hunt ideas, recipes and more! It could be used as a classroom activity, or shared with parents as a family fun pack designed to keep children (and adults) entertained this Easter.

If you are looking for more of a challenge, you could check out the [East Fun Run](#). Hop, skip, walk, run or even jump your way into Easter 2021! All the details are on the website.

### **King Edward's Photography Competition**

King Edward's would like to invite pupils to take part in a Photographic Competition (Years 5 – 8).

Entries to be received by Friday 23rd April.

[Click here](#) for further information.

### **Bag2School Collection**

1st South Ascot have organised another clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the 1st South Ascot Scout Group.

Bag2School can accept 'good quality' items for RE-USE and information on what they can or cannot accept is in the link below:

<https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

Please bring your full bag(s) to the 1st South Ascot Scout Hut, Church Road, South Ascot, SL5 9DP (NOT to Hall Grove please) on Monday 29th March between 9.00am and 10.00am.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Fiona Jones - Group Scout Leader

### **The Lost Cookhouse**

Mrs Grewal (mother of Year 7 pupil) is currently organising a fundraiser for Mani Ram, father of two, who was diagnosed with kidney failure in 2010.

Cooking has been a passion of Mrs Grewal's for many years and raising money for this cause has inspired her to cook at least 400 meals to reach the fundraiser target. All proceeds will be given to the family in need.

For further information on the fundraiser, please [click here](#).

### **Documents**

The following documents can be found on the school website, under the parent information tab:

- Senior Schools Open Mornings Information
- King Edward's Remote Chess Tournament
- Easter Camps