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Commiserations to the 1<sup>st</sup> XI football team after their defeat in the Surrey Cup Final to Danes Hill on Monday. This must not detract from a fabulous season where the 1<sup>st</sup> XI squad not only finished runners-up in the Surrey Cup but also won the Hall Grove tournament, were runners-up in the regional 6-a-side and made the top six in the country at the National 6-a-side Tournament at Bradfield. The team has played some superb football over the term winning 10 and drawing 4 of their 15 school matches and all the players can be proud of their achievements. Overall, it has been our most successful football season ever with 71% of matches either won or drawn.

### After School Clubs and TASC

Please note that this term's clubs finish today. TASC will operate as usual until Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, inclusive. Please remember to book any TASC requirements as it is likely to be busy.

## School Reports, Spring Term Calendars, School Reviews and School Invoices

School reports, the Spring Term Calendar, a copy of the Review for 2011/12 and school invoices will be sent home with the children on the last day of term.

## Spring Term 2013

Term starts on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January and normal drop off and collection times apply. Breakfast will be available for those who have booked it and TASC commences on the first day of term. After school clubs start on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January.

## Spring Term 2013 After School Clubs

Club spaces have now been allocated. The Pre-Prep ICT club will not be running due to insufficient demand. With the exception of that and the clubs where we have had to limit numbers (affected children's parents will be notified), children have been successful in gaining places for the clubs of their choice next term.

## Years 4 and 5 Christmas Concert - Monday 17th December

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December all pupils in Years 4 and 5 will be taking part in their Christmas Concert in New Hall. The concert will start at 1900 and should last approximately one hour. Parents and grandparents of the pupils performing are most welcome to come along. There is a retiring collection for our nominated charities, we hope guests will give generously. Year 5 children must be returned to school for 1800 and Year 4 at 1830, going straight to the Admiral Room. Whilst guests wait, mulled wine and mince pies will be served from the Food Science cabin. After the performance, the children will be taken back to their classrooms for collection.

# A Christmas Carol - Tuesday 18th December

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December we welcome 'The Pantaloons' to perform their spell-binding version of A Christmas Carol to the Middle and Upper School children. This highly entertaining theatre company is currently touring the UK and has already received rave reviews in a number of national newspapers. The classic tale of the miserly Ebenezer Scrooge will be told in New Hall, starting at 0940.

## Carol Service - Tuesday 18th December

Our annual candlelit Carol Service will be taking place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 1630 at Windlesham Parish Church. All of Years 6, 7 and 8 will be taken to the church from school. All parents and their guests are welcome to attend. Children may be taken home from the church after the service or collected from school by 1745. There is a retiring collection for our nominated charities, we hope parents will give generously. Please be aware that there is very limited parking and you may well need to park some distance from the church. Do share cars where you can.

## Carols in the Courtyard - Wednesday 19th December

Enjoy the festive atmosphere as we gather in the courtyard in front of the Coach House at 1045. There will be mince pies, mulled wine and Christmas carols to finish the term. The drive will be closed and parking will be on the tennis courts and playing field. If it is a wet day we will have to review the plan as parking on the field will not be possible.

## End of Term Arrangements - Wednesday 19th December

Term ends on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. The collection times are as follows:

1100 Reception
1115 Years 1 and 2
1130 Years 3, 4 and 5
1145 Years 6, 7 and 8

Please ensure that the children have all been collected by 1200; there is a staff meeting then so we are unable to look after stragglers. Older pupils may leave with their younger siblings.

## Music Department

#### Choristers

All Choristers participating in the Carol Service on Tuesday have been issued with a cassock and, in the case of longer-standing members, a surplice. Please could these be washed and ironed, and brought into school on Tuesday morning. If you notice that your child's cassock is in need of any minor repairs, it would be extremely helpful if you could make sure these are carried out before Tuesday.

#### Concert Band - Saturday 15th December

The school Concert Band will be playing a selection of carols in Bagshot Village Square at 1000 tomorrow. Do please come and support them if you are able.

## **Sports News**

The fixtures have been limited this week due to the weather conditions and the frosty astro-turf.

This week's netball results are as follows:

#### Cricket Tours 2013 and 2014

We are sorry to say that due to insufficient interest, the proposed tour to Antigua in April 2013 will not now be taking place. The biennial trip to South Africa will however go ahead in February 2014 and further details will follow later in the academic year together with exciting plans for senior girls' netball.

## 'Strictly' Hall Grove

A small and friendly group of parents meet on a Thursday evening for weekly partner dancing classes. They have often commented on how nice it is to set aside a regular evening with their partner, and classes are great fun. There will be a new 'beginners only' class next term, starting at 1930, so those with no previous dance experience are very welcome. For a full list of dates or to book please email Dan Slape at jiveschool@hotmail.com (please note that bookings must be made as a couple).

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