

# Celebrating 60 Years



1957 **Hall Grove** 2017

## Newsletter 593 - 24th November 2017

*Last Saturday the 1st XI played some of their best football of the season to win an exciting match in the Surrey Cup plate Final (report below). The team was warmly congratulated in Assembly and the players rang the Jubilee Bell.*

*As we approach the last three weeks of term, we turn our attention to a number of end of term activities. Parents of younger children are asked to take careful note of the timings.*

*For Years 3 - 8 the Inter-House competition reaches a crucial stage at the end of term when points are tallied. The House Song may well decide the eventual winner!*

### Eco Week Art Competition

Thank you to all those who entered the Eco Week Art competition, we were very impressed by the standard of work that came in. The top 3 winners will have their work displayed in the corridors near Old Hall for visitors to admire (please sign in at front office). All entries will also be displayed in the Summer Exhibition.

Congratulations to the following:

<b>Year 8</b>	1st Sharon Chu	2nd Daniela Schellekens	3rd Grace Harvie
<b>Year 7</b>	1st Dawie Lindeque	2nd Thomas Dyson	3rd Oli Goringe
<b>Year 6</b>	1st Sam Johnson	2nd Ava-Mae Martell	3rd Jonathan Butler
<b>Year 5</b>	1st Amelia Aplin	2nd Leo Barker	3rd James Barlow
<b>Year 4</b>	1st Henry Wood	2nd Marco Lindeque	3rd Francesca Prior
<b>Year 3</b>	1st India Rossiter	2nd Cecilia Shepperd	3rd Freddie Clark
<b>Year 2</b>	1st Sofia Stotter-Brooks	2nd Vilas Dabasia	3rd Matt Kaiser
<b>Year 1</b>	1st Octavia Walder-Smith	2nd Theo Gaidai	3rd Aathik Sivasubramaniam

*Mrs Easeman, Mrs Foley, Miss Dowse*

### DIARY REMINDERS

**Tuesday 5th December**  
1800 Years 7 & 8 Parent Interviews

**Wednesday 6th December**  
1830 Years 1 & 2 Nativity

**Thursday 7th December**  
0835 5PW Assembly  
1800 Years 7 & 8 Parent Interviews

**Friday 8th December**  
After School Clubs Finish  
1100 Pre-School Nativity  
1830 Reception Nativity

**Monday 11th December**  
1900 Year 3 Production

**Tuesday 12th December**  
1900 Year 4 Production

**Thursday 14th December**  
1200 Early Years & Pre-Prep  
Christmas Lunch  
1700 Carol Service at Windlesham  
Parish Church (Years 7 & 8)

**Friday 15th December**  
1230 Years 3-8 Christmas Lunch  
Term Ends

**Ski Trip**  
27th December 2017 - 3rd January  
2018

## Christmas Event Reminder

Date	Time	Event	Venue
<b>November:</b>			
Wednesday 29th	0900-1030	Pre-School & Reception Christmas Craft Morning	The Barn
<b>December:</b>			
Wednesday 6th	1830	Year 1 & 2 Nativity - 'Children of the World'	New Hall
Friday 8th	1100	Pre-School Nativity - 'All About a Baby'	The Barn
	1830	Reception Nativity - 'Born in a Barn'	The Barn
Monday 11th	1330-1500	Year 1 Christmas Craft Afternoon	Classroom
	1900	Year 3 Production - 'Tinsel and Tea Towels'	New Hall
Tuesday 12th	1330-1500	Year 2 Christmas Craft Afternoon	Classroom
	1900	Year 4 Production - 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw'	New Hall
Thursday 14th	1700	Carol Service at Windlesham Parish Church (Years 7 & 8)	

*There will be a retiring collection for the Hall Grove Christmas Charity Fund which every year raises money for several worthwhile charities. We hope you will give generously.*

### Pre-School and Reception Christmas Craft Morning – Wednesday 29th November

The children of Pre-School and Reception would like to invite any enthusiastic parents to help the children to make Christmas decorations in The Barn from 0900 until 1030.

### Years 1 and 2 'Children of the World' - Wednesday 6th December

The Years 1 and 2 Christmas production is taking place 1830 in New Hall. It should last approximately forty five minutes. Parents and other relatives of the pupils performing are most welcome to come along. The children should return to school by 1810 and be dropped off in their classrooms, where staff will help them change into their costumes. Parents are then invited to take their seats in New Hall. After the performance, the children will be taken back to their classrooms to change and parents are invited to The Lighthouse for a drink. The children will be dismissed by their form teacher from the turning circle.

### Pre-School Nativity 'All About a Baby' – Friday 8th December

The Pre-School Christmas Nativity is taking place at 1100 in The Barn. It should last approximately thirty minutes. Parents are invited for refreshments in The Lighthouse from 1030 before the children's performance at 1100.

### Reception Nativity 'Born in a Barn'- Friday 8th December

The Reception Christmas Nativity is taking place at 1830 in The Barn. Parents are invited for refreshments in The Lighthouse from 1800 before the children's performance at 1830. All children will need to be back in The Barn between 1800 and 1815 to be helped into their costumes by staff.

### Christmas Craft Afternoons - Monday 11th December and Tuesday 12th December

The children of Years 1 and 2 would like to invite one adult to participate in Christmas Craft activities in their classroom. On arrival, please sign in with Mrs Parsons or Mrs Tanner who will be based outside the Year 1 classrooms.

Years 1 Christmas Craft Afternoon – Monday 11th December from 1330 to 1500

Years 2 Christmas Craft Afternoon – Tuesday 12th December from 1330 to 1500

### Year 3 Present 'Tinsel and Tea Towels' – Monday 11th December

The children in Year 3 are looking forward to giving a festive performance of 'Tinsel and Tea Towels' in New Hall, starting at 1900. Please note that we will have a dress rehearsal earlier that day. Form staff will ensure costumes return home safely, ready for the evening. All props are to remain at school. Please collect children at their normal pick up time and they are to be returned to their form rooms in costume at 1830. Parents are then invited to take their seats in New Hall. At the end of the performance, parents are invited for

#### ABSENCES

If your child is unwell, then please call 01276 473059 (option 1) or email [office@hallgrove.co.uk](mailto:office@hallgrove.co.uk)

#### TERM DATES

##### **Autumn Term 2017**

4<sup>th</sup> September - 15<sup>th</sup> December

##### **Spring Term 2018**

8th January - 23rd March

Half Term:

10th - 18th February

##### **Summer Term 2018**

23rd April - 6th July

Half Term:

26th May - 3rd June

##### **Autumn Term 2018**

3rd September - 14th December

Half Term:

20th October - 4th November

##### **Spring Term 2019**

7th January - 29th March

Half Term:

16th - 24th February

##### **Summer Term 2019**

29th April - 12th July

Half Term:

25th May - 2nd June

##### **Autumn Term 2019**

9th September - 20th December

Half Term:

26th October - 11th November

#### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS

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refreshments in The Lighthouse. The children will return to their classrooms and then be available for collection from the turning circle.

### **Year 4 Present 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw' – Tuesday 12th December**

All children in Year 4 are looking forward to a festive performance of 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw' in New Hall, starting at 1900. Please note that we will have a dress rehearsal during the school day. Form staff will ensure costumes return home safely, ready for the evening. All props are to remain at school. Please collect children at their normal pick up time and they are to be returned to their form rooms in costume at 1830. Parents are then invited to take their seats in New Hall. At the end of the performance, parents are invited for refreshments in The Lighthouse. The children will return to their classrooms and then be available for collection from the turning circle.

#### **Additional performance information:**

- \* This year the plays will be professionally filmed and you are asked not to take photographs or recordings of any kind.
- \* **Costumes for Christmas Productions**  
We are very grateful for the fantastic support parents give in helping with their child's costume. As always, we ask that you do not go to too much expense or trouble. A simple costume or tunic can often be accessorised to great effect and we can also add additional items from our costume store. Please avoid masks or anything that might obstruct your child's face. Costumes should be ready and in school a week before your child's performance. If you have any problems or need clarity as to what is required, please contact your child's form teacher.

### **Saturday Morning Golf & Tennis, Judo, After School Clubs, TASC and Twilight**

The last club, TASC and Twilight sessions are as follows:

- \* Saturday Morning Golf & Tennis                      Saturday 2nd December
- \* Final clubs of this term (including Judo)              Friday 8th December
- \* Twilight will operate as usual up to and including Thursday 14th December
- \* TASC will operate as usual until Thursday 14th December

### **End of Term Arrangements – Friday 15th December**

Collection times are as follows:

1200	Early Years and Pre-Prep
1400	Carols in the Courtyard
1500	Year 3
1510	Year 4
1520	Year 5
1600	Year 6
1610	Year 7
1620	Year 8

Parents are invited to attend the informal musical gathering of 'Carols in the Courtyard', which starts at 1400. This is a nice way to support the school's chosen charities, to say farewells before the Christmas break, eat a mince pie and have a cup of mulled wine - there is always a very jolly atmosphere. The drive will be closed and parking will be on the playing fields. In the event of very wet weather, we will have to cancel.

### **Gillman & Soame Photographs - Reminder**

Gillman & Soame would like to remind parents to order photographs for Christmas as soon as possible. If you have lost your child's details, please contact them directly at [enquiries@gillmanandsoame.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@gillmanandsoame.co.uk) or on 01869 328200, quoting the school security password **hallgrove296zp** which will enable them to retrieve your login details.

## **Music**

### **Informal Concerts**

Well done to everyone who performed in either of our Informal Piano concerts today, it was lovely to see and hear from such a huge volume of pianists! Our final concert of the term is the Informal Strings Concert next week. As ever, if your child learns outside of school, and you would like him or her to perform, please let Miss Post know via email ([l.post@hallgrove.co.uk](mailto:l.post@hallgrove.co.uk)) by Tuesday next week, including the title and composer of the prepared piece.

## **Instrument Storage**

There have been quite a few incidences of children losing their instruments recently, so we would ask that each instrument case is clearly labelled on the outside to help identify them. There is ample space to store instruments in the music department, so we do expect the majority of instruments to be stored here rather than in their classrooms (particularly larger Brass instruments).

## **Carol Service**

Our annual Carol Service will be held on Thursday 14th December at 1700. Any parents who would like to join the choir for the service please email Miss Post as soon as possible and she will send you the music. The rehearsal will start at 1430 on the day for parents and Choristers at the church in Windlesham.

## **Sport**

### **Weekly Review**

#### **Surrey Cup Football**

On Saturday morning, the 1st XI football team travelled to Cumnor House in Croydon for the Plate Final of the Surrey Cup. Rokeby were our opponents and it had all the makings of a classic, with both teams having enjoyed successful seasons.

It was evenly matched from the start as both teams looked to get a foothold in the game early on. The 1st XI played some really good football in the first half, although chances were limited at both ends by some strong defending. The score at the break was 0-0 and having edged the first half, there was plenty of belief going into the second period.

Rokeby took the lead soon after and concerns that the boys' heads would drop were soon dispelled as they pulled their sleeves up and took a firm grip on the match. It was from then on that they played some of their best football of the season, and soon the chances started to come. Their keeper quickly became the busiest player on the pitch, making a number of important saves. Corners were nearly converted and crosses fizzed across the goal but the ball just wouldn't go in. With about 10 minutes to go, the boys got the equaliser they deserved and the Rokeby goal continued to lead a charmed life as the match finished 1-1.

Five minutes each way of extra time started and the boys continued on where they left off. Neither team could score and shortly after the restart, we got that bit of luck that the performance deserved. It was put away with confidence and the boys managed the remaining few minutes well to see out a famous victory.

It was a brilliant performance, and a thoroughly deserved victory for the boys. They have worked hard all season, played some excellent football and this was a fitting way to finish their season. Congratulations to all involved, you made us extremely proud!

## **Rugby**

The boys continued their positive start to the rugby season with some challenging matches this week. On Saturday, the U12's had a tough day against Edgeborough and Lord Wandsworth but bounced back on Wednesday with a great performance at the Highfield Tournament. They should be congratulated on their performance in all matches but in particular their victory in the bowl final to claim the bronze medal. The U13A team went to the Wellington Tournament, giving a good account of themselves with two wins and three losses in a tournament which is always of a very high standard. Congratulations to the U11 teams who had three wins against Aldro on Wednesday and the U9 A and B teams on their victories in their first full contact rugby matches against Hoe Bridge.

## **Netball**

With 7 wins out of 10 on Wednesday afternoon, all of the girls should be very proud of themselves. The U13 A and B teams played their first fixtures of the netball term against Feltonfleet. The U13 A team were phenomenal, a newly formed squad which included some U12s to give them valuable experience. The team soon gelled and played superbly. The U11A, B & C teams all had good wins and the U10's continue to show what a talented group they are with a clean sweep. Particular congratulations to the B team who came back from 4-0 down to win 7-6. Well done to Carina Fitzpatrick for shooting well and Sophia Jeavons for making a positive impact on the court when she came on.

On Thursday, the U9 A, B and C teams played St Andrew's Woking. We had one win (B team) and two draws and the teams were unlucky not to win all three. The girls couldn't quite convert all their possession into goals.

### **Saturday Morning Golf and Tennis**

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 all enjoyed a tennis session this week with Jet Tennis as part of their PE programme. The boys and girls thoroughly enjoyed themselves and benefitted from the expert coaching delivered by Jet Tennis's excellent coaches. As part of the continuing development of Tennis at Hall Grove, Jet Tennis will be offering a free trial session on Saturday 2nd December, which is open to all boys and girls in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Please email Mr Tullett to register interest. (i.tullett@hallgrove.co.uk).

Reception 0945 – 1030

Year 1 and 2 1030 – 1115

### **Games Notices and Reminders**

#### **Saturday 25th November**

##### **Rugby v Elstree**

1430 U13A, U10 A and B (at Hall Grove) Meet 1400 at Hall Grove

1430 U12A, U11 A and B (at Elstree) Meet 1300 at Hall Grove (Return ETA 1700)

##### **The Hawthornes Netball Tournament**

0930 U10A Meet 0800 at Hall Grove (Return ETA 1230)

#### **Thursday 30th November**

##### **Netball v Guildford High**

1430 U9 A, B, C please note estimated return to Hall Grove is 1630.

##### **Rugby v Eagle House and Edgeborough**

1400 Please note the U8 fixtures are now being played at Eagle House.

1400 Please note the U9 fixtures are being played at Edgeborough.

#### **Saturday 2nd December**

##### **Rugby v Papplewick and Lambrook**

1430 U13A, U12A (at Lambrook) Meet 1330 at Hall Grove (Return ETA 1700)

1430 U11 A and B (at Hall Grove) Meet 1400 at Hall Grove

1430 U10 A, B and U9 A, B (at Papplewick) Meet 1330 at Hall Grove (Return ETA 1700)

Teams will be posted on Monday 27th November.

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### **For Sale**

One brand new blazer for sale, bought last week (lost blazer found straight after purchase). Size 6, 28inch chest which would fit roughly around age 8-10. £60. Please email sarah@thebrattpack.co.uk if you are interested.

### **Reminder: Pantomime | Bracknell Leisuresport Centre**

This year's Pantomime is none other than Beauty and The Beast. 'Belle a bright, beautiful and independent young woman is taken prisoner by a beast in its castle. Despite her fears, she befriends the castle's enchanted staff and learns to look beyond the beast's hideous exterior, allowing her to recognize the kind heart and soul of the true prince that hides on the inside.'

Beauty and The Beast 2017 is John Nike Leisuresport's 30th Ice Pantomime. The cast, **including Ava-Mae Martell from Year 6**, is made up from the hundreds of ice skaters within Bracknell Ice Skating club, as well as the Ice Professionals based here at Bracknell. As always it is a performance set to wow its audience this Christmas!

Tickets are now on sale! Call us on 01344789000 to book your ticket!

For performance dates and times, please visit the website:

<http://www.jnlbracknell.co.uk/ice-rink/pantomime/>

