

On Thursday, Year 6 enjoyed an exciting afternoon of theatre in the West End at the musical show 'The School of Rock'. Of particular interest to them was being able to see their class mate, Cole Lam, play one of the leading parts. It was a great experience for all the children and they were very proud of Cole's excellent performance.

Congratulations are also due to another talented Year 6 pupil, Ava-Mae Martell, who has been selected to take part in an ice dance competition in Italy. We wish her and her dancing partner every possible success.

The last Rugby matches of the season have now been played before moving on to Hockey and Rugby 7's. Congratulations to the Years 3 and 4 for their continuing success on the sports fields. Girls' Netball continues to shine at all levels.

Our first scholarship of the new year has been awarded to Adam Humpish by Hampton School for his sporting excellence. Well done Adam!

Reminder - Dates for the Diary

Thursday 15th MarchHall Grove Open MorningSaturday 12th MayOpen Gardens and Hall Grove Country Day 1400 - 1700Friday 8th JuneEarly Years and Pre-Prep Sports Day1100 - 1300Saturday 9th JuneSports Day (Years 3 - 8)1400 - 1700Friday 22nd JuneAfrica Week Celebration1400 - 1700

1AE class assembly - Friday 9th February

1AE would like to invite parents to their class assembly next Friday. Please be seated by 9am in the New Hall. We look forward to seeing you.

After School Activities

Reception Yoga

We are delighted to announce that Yoga will be available for Reception children on a Monday from 1500 - 1530. To book a place, please use the online <u>after-school activities</u> <u>booking system</u>. The cost for the sessions for the half term is £40 which will be added to the school bill.

DIARY REMINDERS

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 6th Bake Off - The Showstopper Final

Thursday 8th 0835 6AK Assembly

Friday 9th 0900 1AE Class Assembly

Half Term Saturday 10th – Sunday 18th

Thursday 22nd 0835 5CG Assembly

Monday 26th Technology Week Years 3 and 4 Parent Interviews

Tuesday 27th Years 3 and 4 Parent Interviews

MARCH Thursday 1st 1900 Parents' Forum (details to follow)

Monday 5th Year 5 to Battisborough Year 7 and 8 Parent Interviews

Tuesday 6th 0835 7TH Assembly

Wednesday 7th Year 7 and 8 Parent Interviews

Thursday 8th 0835 6MW Assembly 1900 Year 6 Parents' Meeting

Friday 9th 0900 2LB Class Assembly Year 5 return from Battisborough

After School Activities Finish Thursday 22nd March

Reception Tennis

We are delighted to announce that after school Tennis on Tuesday from 1530 – 1630, run by Jet Tennis, will now be available for Reception pupils. To book a place, please use the online after-school <u>activities booking system</u>. The cost for the half term is $\pounds 40$ to be added to the school invoice.

Bake Off - Year 7

The standard of the Bake Off has been high this year, with a wide variety of recipes within the two categories.

Congratulations to the following bakers who came through to the final stage: Sienna Edwards, Hope Wood, Bertie Deane, Tabitha Tonkin and Emily Armitage.

We look forward to The Showstopper Final on Tuesday 6th February, to be cooked in school time. **Strictly no nut ingredients**.

Thank you for your support. Miranda Dowse

Music

Informal Concerts

Well done to everyone who performed today in our Informal lunchtime concert, it was wonderful to hear such a variety of instruments and genres today! Our next Informal Concert is now after half term for singers on February 23rd. 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 (<u>l.post@hallgrove.co.uk</u>) by Tuesday 20th February, including the title and composer of the prepared piece.

Sports

Saturday Morning Tennis Academy

Jet Tennis will be starting the Saturday morning coaching sessions on 24^{th} February. The structure of the groups has changed to allow the sessions to be more productive for all. Jet Tennis will ensure that a child is in a group that is sympathetic to his or her ability which could require a child moving up or down an age group. The cost for the sessions for the half term is $\pounds 40$

Session timings

0900 - 0945Reception0945 - 1030Years 1, 2 and 31030 - 1115Years 4, 5 and 61115 - 1200Years 7 and 8

Saturday Morning Golf Academy

We are delighted that David Nickson the golf pro from Hoe Bridge Golf Centre will be beginning sessions on Saturday 24^{th} February. This is an excellent opportunity for those who enjoy golf to get extra coaching or for those who are new to the game. The cost for the half term is $\pounds 40$.

ABSENCES

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

TERM DATES

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 (incl)

Summer Term 2019

24th April – 12th July Half Term: 25th May – 2nd June (incl)

NEWSLETTER ATTACHMENTS

FEBRUARY HALF TERM, EASTER & SUMMER CAMPS

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

Session timings

0900 - 0945Years 1, 2 and 30945 - 1030Reception1030 - 1115Years 7 and 81115 - 1200Years 4, 5 and 6

For both tennis & golf please use the online booking system to book a place.

Weekly Sports Review

The senior boys made a very pleasing start to the hockey season winning 7 of the 12 matches played against Edgeborough on a cold and windy afternoon. The Year 7 and 8 boys all had very close matches and managed to win 5 of their 6 with notable performances from the 2^{nd} team who came from 3 - 1 down to win 5 - 4. They showed good grit and determination to gain the victory. The 1^{st} team were very impressive with a dominant performance in their first fixture of the season and have shown glimpses of what they can potentially achieve this term. Mr Gold has been delighted with the very positive start and is looking forward to the boys achieving more success as the term progresses.

The Year 3 and 4 boys finished their rugby season on Thursday playing in Festivals at Aldro and Edgeborough. The boys performed extremely well playing some excellent rugby and came away with 13 wins, 1 draw and 2 losses. All the boys across all the teams have worked very hard in training and made huge progress throughout the season. Mr Cottrell and the sports staff are already excited about next year's rugby season.

Wednesday was a busy day with lots of fixtures. The seniors and the U11A's attending tournaments and faring well with 4 wins and 2 losses a piece. The U10's played Edgeborough and had two wins and a draw.

Years 3 & 4 girls performed brilliantly in their netball house matches on Thursday afternoon. All girls played very well, with the focus of the day bring spatial awareness and moving the ball into space. The girls made excellent progress. A special mention to the three Year 2 girls who played for the Year 3s, highlighting the great talent coming through the school. Congratulations to Falcons who won Year 3 and Eagles who won Year 4.

Cross Country

Well done to all those who took part in the House Cross Country on Saturday afternoon. The conditions were challenging but all the boys and girls who competed helped contribute to the success of this event. The House competition was incredibly close and the overall winner was Kestrels.

Saturday 3rd February

Hall Grove Home Nations Hockey0900 Year 51000 Year 61100 Year 71200 Year 8

Additional Fixture Monday 5th February Bradfield Boys' Hockey Tournament 1100 U10 A (a)

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Senior Schools Fair - Saturday 24th February

Meet 30 of the UK's most prestigious senior independent schools all in one unique setting.

Chichester Cathedral Where:

1400 - 1600Time:

Please register your interest for this event, but families can also turn up on the day: marketing@prebendalschool.org.uk | 01243 520974

February Half Term, Easter & Summer Camps

Further information regarding various Half Term, Easter and Summer holiday camps are available on our website or by clicking the link in the right-hand column of page 2.

The Wimbledon International Piano Competition

The Wimbledon International Piano Competition is a new competition that aims to bring together young and adult musicians and give them the opportunity to perform on a stage.

It offers a unique opportunity for pianists to enjoy themselves and share their passion for music with others in a fun, relaxed environment.

Pianists can enter in one of four categories:

- Non-competitive beginner category duet
- Non-competitive category solo
- Competitive graded category for children (under 18)
 Competitive class for adult amateur pianists (over 18)

The deadline for applications is 31 March 2018. The Competition takes place on Saturday 23 June 2018, and The Winners' Concert on Sunday 24 June 2018, both at Pelham Primary School Hall, Wimbledon.

Full details and application forms are available online at wimbledonpiano.com