

EDGE



GROVE

Newsletter

2nd July 2018



Dear Parents

Our ears are still ringing and feet slightly sore after our fantastic Summer Ball on Saturday. Dancing continued into the early hours and throughout the evening there was a wonderful feeling of fellowship and community spirit - the perfect way to celebrate the end of another excellent year. My thanks to Sue Maughan for organising the whole event (and for agreeing to run it after only a little persuasion!), to all our sponsors for making it possible and to everyone who attended ensuring that it was such a brilliant night. Everyone's generosity will mean that we hopefully have raised lots of money for our overseas charity, The Rainbow Centre as well as our own development fund.

We counted them out and then counted them all back in - all 240 of them. Always the pupils' favourite time of the year, Expedition Week is a slightly anxious time for me, as with any school trips. The last group arrived back safely at 6.30pm and I could finally relax! As you may have seen throughout the week, the photographs sent back from the groups in exotic destinations such as France, Devon, Dorset and the Lake District sparked a little envy in all of us. Sparkling waters, glorious scenery and best of all, lots of very happy children enthusiastically involved in a myriad

Calendar

Tuesday 3rd July

Transition Day

IAPS National Athletics Finals, Alexander Stadium Birmingham, Years 6 to 8

Year 6 celebration afternoon

Stevenson's 'pop-up' Uniform Shop, Sports Hall, 3.00pm - 6.00pm

Year 6 Performance, Theatre, 5.30pm

Wednesday 4th

Middle School swimming gala, 2.00pm

Robin Streather concert, Marquee, 6.00pm

Thursday 5th

Year 8 Monopoly trip

Lower School swimming gala, 2.00pm

Friday 6th

Upper School swimming gala, 2.00pm

Saturday 7th

Speech Day, (Compulsory Attendance) ▲

Speeches and Prize Giving, Pre Prep including Pre School, 11.00am - 11.45am

Family picnics, Pre School – Year 8, 12.00pm – 1.15pm

Speeches and Prize Giving, Years 3 to 8, 1.30pm - 3.00pm

Afternoon Tea, Years 3 – 8, Front Lawn, 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Leavers' Drinks, Rose Garden, 4.15pm

Term ends after speeches

Sunday 8th

independence building and leadership. This was the theme of the whole week and on seeing the groups on their return; tired, happy and with lots of stories to tell, the value of expedition week as an integral part of our teaching and learning, was clear to see. There were, of course, lots of tired staff too and one cannot underestimate the hard work and responsibility involved when leading residential trips - my thanks to them all for their amazing commitment, especially at such a busy and demanding time of the year.

It seems hardly believable that we are now in the final week of the term and year. Transition day, swimming sports, the Robin Streather concert and Speech Day mean it will be another busy and enjoyable week. Good luck to our athletics team who will be travelling to Birmingham tomorrow after qualifying for the IAPS national championships.

My final word to the talented year 2 pupils for their great performances in Land Ahoy! last week - a brilliant production written by Mrs Tomsett and even including the teachers on the steel pans at one point! Congratulations to all Houses and a special mention to Stratton for winning the Pre Prep sports day which was a great event including all pupils from Pre School to year 2, full of friendly competitive spirit and lots of enthusiastic participation.

Alex and I look forward to seeing you all at either or both of Speech Days on Saturday after which term officially ends.

Best wishes

Ben Evans



Robin Streather Concert, Marquee (Front Lawn), Wednesday 4th July, 6pm.

Performing: Windband, Jazz Band, String Ensemble, Vox 15, Rock Band, LS Rock Band, Chamber Choir, LS Choir & Year 8 soloists. Please come and join us in the marquee to celebrate the musical talent at Edge Grove. Bring a picnic and champagne.

Pupils performing at the Robin Streather Concert:

Rehearsals will be on Monday 2nd July. Please could you help your child to remember to bring their instrument and music in at the start of next week.

There will be rehearsals will be during the day on Wednesday 4th July, and pupils performing in the concert will gather at 4pm to ensure everything is ready. Performers are welcome to join you from 5pm but will be needed from 5.45pm.

Dress code – formal uniform. The weather is expected to be hot so blazers will not be worn, but please could boys wear shirts, not t shirts.

At the end of the concert all pupils leaving who are not in jazz band, but who have school instruments, need to return them to a member of the music department.

Pupils performing on Speech Day:

Jazz Band will be performing. Jazzers need to make sure that they have their instruments in on Friday 6th July and Saturday 7th July. Please could you help your child remember their instrument.

We look forward to seeing you at the concert and on Speech Day.

Edge Grove Summer Raffle winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the Edge Grove Summer raffle:

Please collect your prize from the main school reception by Saturday 7th July.

£150 Gift Voucher for The Grove	Tobi Dada
Godiva Luxury Chocolate Hamper worth £150	Barbara Sampson
Four Ball at Porters Park Golf Club	Craig Fazzini Jones
A day Spa at Bare Beauty	Andrea Bennett
Osprey Black leather bag	Oliver Gubler
£500 voucher for Photographic Synergy	Antonina Khonosheev
£50 John Lewis Voucher	Sally Cooper
2 week Unlimited pass to the Cyclezone	Mrs Ward
2 VIP tickets for an Netball All Stars at the Copper box Oct 13th	Mrs Caplan
2 week fully inclusive pass for the Gym and Tonic Club	Laura O'Hare
Magnum of Champagne	Mrs Maughan
Models Own Make-up package worth £200	Mrs Mills Webb
£35 Splat Media voucher for use at school productions	Michelle Robey
Hoss family portrait voucher	Gillian Hudson
Voucher for the Flexibility Clinic	Rash Patel
Leather travel Wallet	Yvonne Rogers

LOVE YOUR PELVIC FLOOR & CORE workshop

We invite you to our innovative one day workshop. Come and learn more about the benefits of an effective core and pelvic floor to prevent problems with your pelvic organs and lower back.



Dates:

29/09/18

Park Street Village Hall, St Albans AL2 2PX
10.30 am - 16.30 pm

30/09/18

Edge Grove School, Radlett WD25 8BL
11.00 am - 17.00 pm

Booking link:

<http://bit.ly/pelvicfloorcoreworkshop>

Meet your workshop instructors:



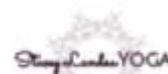
Leanne Antoine
Distinct Physiotherapy



Leanne frequently treats people with recurrent and acute episodes of low back pain. She effectively explains the anatomy and function of the core to her patients, helping them to understand and utilise the muscles in this part of the body more effectively.



Stacey Landau
Stacey of London YOGA
Yoga Therapist



For Stacey, Yoga has provided a lifestyle that she enjoys and embraces. Over the last 20 years she has qualified in several different aspects of yoga which enables her to offer something to everyone in this fast pace environment that we live in. She teaches locally and thoroughly understands the importance of the pelvic floor and core both on and off the yoga mat.



Karin Or
Naturopathic Doctor ND,
Psychotherapist, Theta Healing
Teacher and Doula

Karin is an international speaker with a special interest in the pelvic floor and core. Her contribution to this workshop will certainly add some incredible value. You will have the opportunity to explore your understanding of your pelvic floor and core in keeping with Karin's own values – diet, consciousness and movement.

Booking link:

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Junior Maths Challenge

Congratulations to Varick, Dante and Ritwik who qualified for the follow-up paper after they sat the Junior Maths Challenge. Varick received a qualification certificate with Dante and Ritwik gaining a merit award for being in the top 25%.

Chess

Congratulations to Nicolas who competed in the UK Chess Challenge South of England Gigafinal on Saturday, having qualified from the Herts County finals. Nicolas performed really well, gaining 3 points out of a maximum of 6..just missing out on a place in the National Finals by one point.

Archery

Saturday 23rd June: last term the parents beat the pupils but on Saturday a determined pupils' team exacted revenge with a 24-13 victory

Wednesday 27th June: Kimmy and Tomiwa were overall winners in the year 3 Expedition Week tournament. Top two placings were gained by the following:

Eagles: Niccolo, Kyan, Shona, Amber

Sharks: Oliver C, Olly G, Caitlin, Tiggy

Tigers: Connor-Ray, Archer, Dara, Sofie N

Dolphins: Felix, Alex A, Ella L, Missy

Saturday 30th June: Archery Club Finals Day. Congratulations to trophy winners Connor-Ray, Esme, Hayden, Fatemah, Balerki, Jenna and Evan with medal winners Joanna, Luke, Olivia, Shona, Scott and Alex L

Summer Holiday Archery (mornings) and Squash (afternoons) take place on August 8th, 9th, 10th, 29th and 30th all ages and standards welcome, please contact Mr Craxton on 07711 748557 for more details.

Dance Academy

Edge Grove is excited to announce the opening of Jones Dance Academy, at Edge Grove on Saturday mornings and on Thursday afternoons during after school activities.

Ruth Mair Tirion Buddug Howard-Jones is an internationally recognised dancer, teacher and choreographer . She is the winner of the Dance to Design Choreography Competition and currently teaches for The Royal Academy of Dance and mentors teachers at Step into Dance. Running her own studio, The Jones Academy, she teaches all disciplines – ballet, street, jazz, tap, pilates, choreography and musical theatre - to ages 3-73. Ruth Mair is a member of the International Dance Council of Unesco and as a choreographer and teacher she likes to push the conventional limit of classical ballet, allowing all to access it. She is currently developing work for the Tree of Life project for Aberfan, the short film Black Hole and is regularly called upon to adjudicate competitions and prepare people for auditions.

Hooked on story telling and giving truthful performances, Ruth Mair is always pushing her students of every age and ability to say something through their movements, so that dance and performance becomes very real. As an author, Ruth Mair calls her page the stage and as such, the movements are the words and the un-written ones too! As Isadora Duncan states, "Movements are as eloquent as words."

During her performance career Ruth Mair was seen in Ballets such as Giselle and alongside pop icons such as Barry White and Tina Turner. She rides round on Kylie Minogue's Vespa, although has never danced with Kylie due to a height in-balance. Ruth Mair was recently seen in the satirical TV show The Last Leg, causing the highest twitter activity the show had ever seen. As a Dancer, Ruth Mair has danced as a guest with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Azetewi Company and Teatro di Reggio Emilia. Her many musical roles have included Chicago, A Chorus Line and Starlight Express, which remains her favourite scary "feel the fear and do it anyway" moment. In Italy Ruth Mair is well known from a live television show called "Domenica IN" where she was lead dancer. There are also many TV adverts in her credits including the iconic KFC adverts that ran in the early 00'S.

For information and contact regarding the Saturday school, The Jones Academy Website is: <https://thejonesacademy.co.uk/>

Pre Prep News

Gill Emmerson,
Head of Pre Prep

As we reflect back on a busy week of events, it is also a pleasure to have a relatively quiet last week of term; the year 2 play was a triumph and Sports Day had a happy festival feel. The calendar may be quiet but we continue learning at a pace and this takes place in many forms, which of course is usual at Edge Grove. This morning yet another parent gave up their time to talk to the children about their career; from scientists to award winning athletes, you have given the children an opportunity to look to the future and have provided some excellent role models for both the boys and girls. I would also like to mention Mrs Wilkins and her merry band of helpers, who have transformed the stable in to a magical woodland shelter for Forest School – a sincere thank you to everyone.

Please click below to see more from Pre Prep:



Pre Prep News Page

Tabards and Saracens Summer Camp

Tabards Rugby Club and Saracens are holding a two day rugby camp on the 16th and 17th August. The focus will be on skills and game management. No experience needed. Professional coaching at the amazing cost of £60 for both days.

For further details please see the link below:

https://bookings.rugbycamps.co.uk/index.php?action=view_camp&campid=3702#.WzoBP9VKiM9

Mr Evans's Puzzle of the week.

The answer to the last puzzle: Behaviours for Learning.

Look out for more brain teasers next term!



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