

From Financial Controller: Clare Butcher

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Dear students, parents and guardians

I am pleased to announce that Abingdon School's famous Griffen Ball will be held on Saturday 1 July. As I write this, plans are being put in place for a fantastic and glamorous event and it is a wonderful opportunity to send the boys off in style as they start the next chapter of their lives.

The evening will start with a glass of bubbly on the lawns, followed by a delicious four course meal in the marquee. You will be able to see the sleight of hand magic performed by award winning magicians, chance your luck in the casino, take your turn on the dodgems and dance the night away to some great music. A photographer will be on hand to record this event.

Seating in the marquee will be divided into two sections either side of the dance floor with students and their guests occupying one section and parents the other. There is a cash bar where you can purchase your drinks on the night.

The online booking system will be open on Monday 20 February via the school website. As the current U6 year group is very large and given that there are a maximum number of tickets available, U6 students, parents and guardians will have a priority window to book tickets (one for each parent/guardian and one per student plus a guest) for 48 hours until 9am on 22 February. This event is expected to sell out very quickly so you are encouraged to book your tickets as soon as the tickets are available for sale. Should you wish to buy additional tickets for other family members or friends, you will have the opportunity to do so after Wednesday 22 February if there are any tickets remaining.

All bookings made before Friday 17 March will be added to your school bill. Seating will be at tables of 10. You are welcome to book a whole table of 10 in conjunction with other guests. For those who wish to book individual tickets or who are in smaller groups, we will try to accommodate seating requests if you give an indication on the booking form of who you would like to sit with.

Student tickets are priced at £80 each and parent and guardian tickets at £100 each. This is great value given the fantastic entertainment on offer!

I do hope that you can join us for this very special evening and very much look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely

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