# Learning Support at Hazelwick

## Who are we?

The Learning Support Department at Hazelwick is here for students who need some extra help at school. We have Learning Support Assistants, teachers and other staff who work with the Heads of Year 7 to support students in lots of different ways. Our rooms are right near the Head of Year office.



## How do we know what support you need?

If you had support at primary school your teachers will have already been touch with us and told us what works best for you. We will pass this on to your new teachers so that they know how to make sure that you can achieve in all your lessons. We will make sure that we meet you soon after you start.

## How do we support you?

You might have a Learning Support Assistant or Learning Mentor in some of your lessons. They offer help when students need it. They might help you with understanding the instructions or getting started on your work. They don't make a fuss but just help you out and then let you get on. Lots of students ask for their help in lessons. You might join one of the support groups we run or you may have some time with a Learning Support teacher. Don't worry, we work closely with your teachers and Heads of Year and we decide what will help you.

If you are worried about going out on the playground at break and lunch, you might want to try our Games Club instead. It's in Room 11 every break and lunchtime. We might suggest this to you if we think it would be a good idea for you.

If you would like to get some help with your homework, we have Study Hubs in Room 1 at lunchtime and after school in the library Monday to Thursday until 4.00pm. You can work on a computer and staff are there to support you. It is a great idea to get your homework done before you go home. No booking needed – just turn up!

## Get In Touch

Mrs Checkland is our Special Educational Needs and Disability Coordinator and looks after our Learning Support Department. If you or your parents or carers have any other questions you can email her at: <u>SENDCo@hazelwick.org.uk</u>

We are very proud to have so many students at Hazelwick who speak different languages at home. Ms Vevers is our English as an Additional Language Co-ordinator. If your first language isn't English and you are fairly new to the UK, she will be very happy to answer any questions you or your parents/carers might have: <u>mvevers@hazelwick.org.uk</u>

We will be available in the canteen at the Information evening on 10<sup>th</sup> July and will be very happy to see your parents / carers then. The main thing we want you to know is that there is great support available at Hazelwick. It's a bit different to primary school but we are here to help. We are really looking forward to meeting you in September!