



Dates for your Diary:

Thu 8th June:
Year 10 Parents'/Carers'
Evening

Mon 19th June - Fri 30th June
Year 12 Exams

Wed 21st June:
Year 7 Parents'/Carers'
Evening

Fri 23rd June:
Year 11 Prom

Mon 26th June:
Year 13 Leavers' Ball

Wed 28th June:
Year 13 Clearance Tea

Fri 30th June:
Year 9 Teenage Booster
Vaccinations

Tue 4th July:
Year 12 Higher Education
Meeting

Sports Days

Year 7 Thu 29th June
Lesson 3-5

Year 8 Thu 29th June
Lesson 1-3

Year 9 Wed 28th June
Lesson 3-5

Year 10 Wed 28th June
Lesson 1-3

Awards Evenings

Year 7 Wed 19th July

Year 8 Wed 28th June

Year 9 Thu 13th July

Year 10 Thu 6th July

Hazelwick School Newsletter

May 2023

Headlines

Ms A Fearon, Headteacher



St. Catherine's Hospice Youth Enterprise Challenge 2023

On 27th April Mr Croft, Mrs Frost and myself attended the presentation of the awards for the St. Catherine's Hospice Youth Enterprise Challenge Project. Awards were made in a number of categories; the most prestigious being the award for the highest amount of money raised. I am delighted to report that, for the eleventh year running, the Hazelwick team of Courtney Wall, Salma Al-Moussaoui, Adom Apiagyei, Charity



Stephens, Layla Savva, Carmen Frost, Jola Felix-Omonubi, Leanna Hughes, Emily Ferreira-Iodice and Sandra Mboya won this award with the absolutely incredible total of **£10,064.00** (inclusive of Gift Aid). This is a truly amazing result; their target was £1500, so to exceed that by over £8,500 is phenomenal. The students have worked incredibly hard showing total dedication and commitment to raising as much money as they could.



The total raised by the 8 schools participating in the Youth Challenge was £22,637.00.

The team organised a number of major fund-raisers, including non-uniform days, a fun run, cake sales, a car wash and sports events. The CEO and staff at St Catherine's Hospice were full of praise for the commitment that our students had shown. We are immensely proud of these students; they are an absolute credit to our school and deserve every praise for their incredible efforts.

Congratulations!

Exams

The first two weeks of external exams have gone very well. Students have shown resilience and tenacity as they tackle the papers. Most are working extremely conscientiously and with great determination. It is crucial that productive, planned revision continues in half-term for both GCSE and A level students.

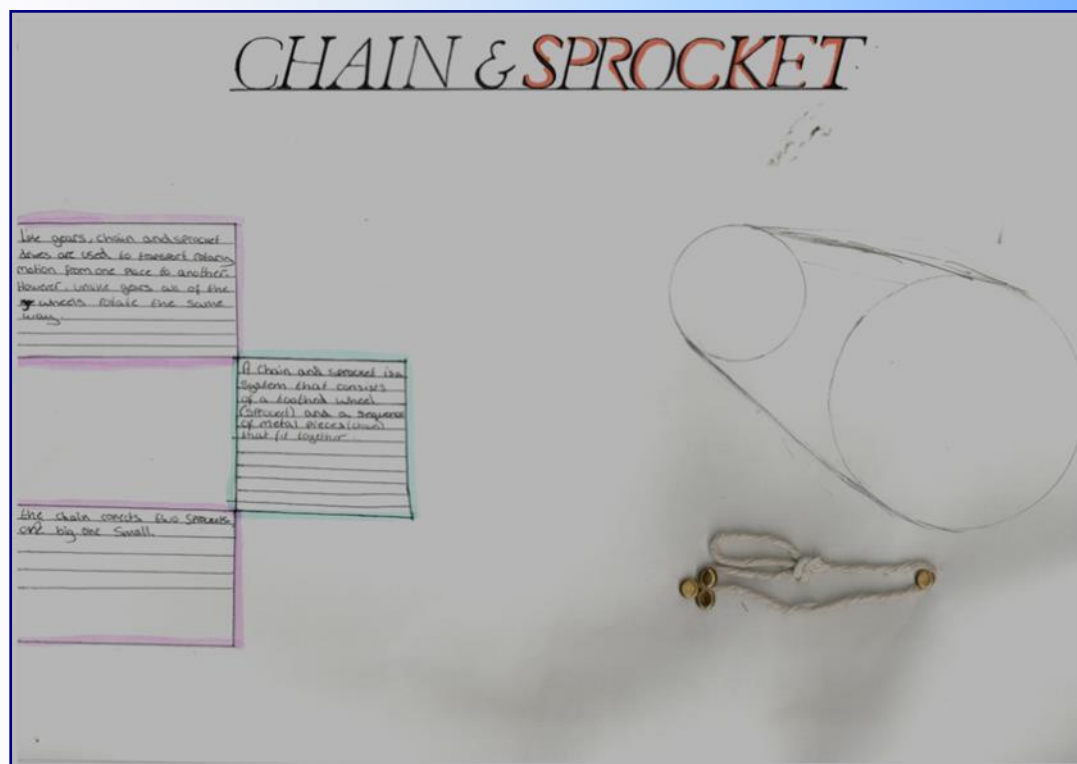
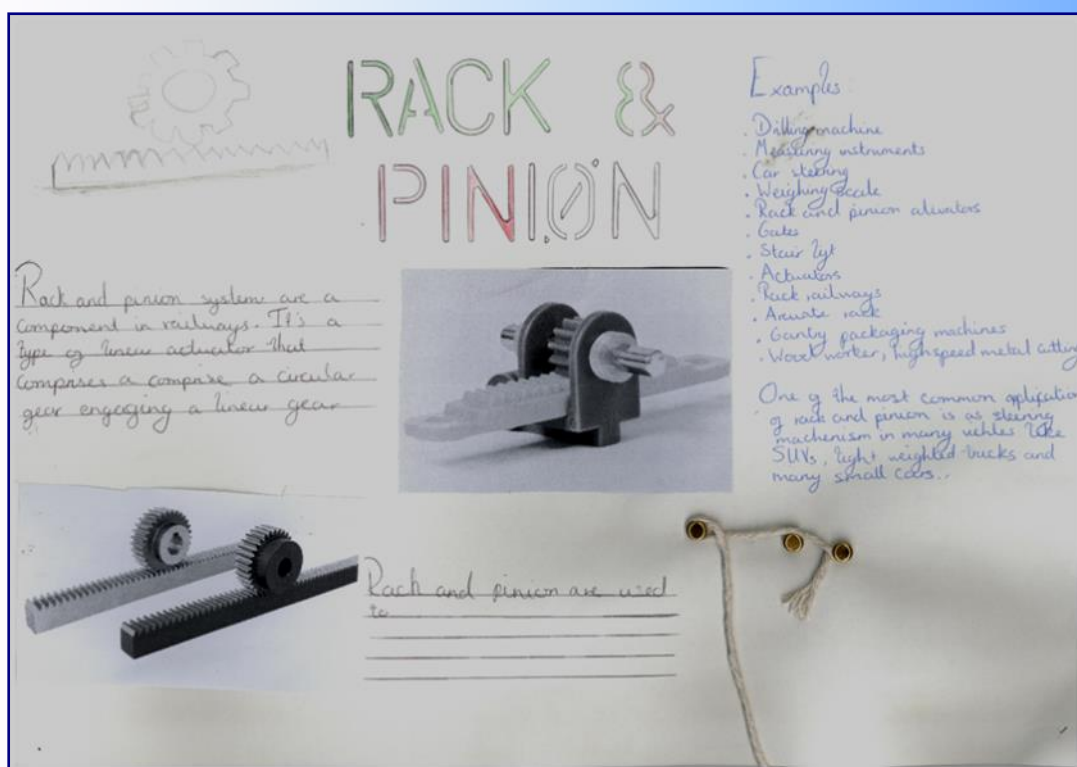
Best of luck for all students in their exams in June.

All good wishes

News, Events & Activities from the Design Technology Department...

YEAR 9

Students have been researching different mechanisms for their current sweet dispenser project. They worked in groups to create posters on the different types. Here are some examples of their work.



News, Events & Activities from the Design Technology Department Continued...

PULLEY

Oliver, Aaron, Vardanski

Examples

use of pulley to lift heavy water

Examples

well

crane

the rope is wrapped around two pulleys, as the rope is pulled, the weight rises

A disadvantage of a pulley is it requires large space to install & operate.

an advantage of a pulley is they make heavy lifting easy

Pulleys make it easier to lift heavy loads

load

wire

pulley wheels

A pulley is a wheel or axle or shaft that is designed to support movement and change of direction of a taut cable or belt, or transfer of power between the shaft and cable or belt. In the case of a pulley supported by a frame or shell that does not transfer power to a shaft, but is used to guide the cable or exert a force, the supporting shell is called a block, and the pulley may be called a pulley block or a sheave.

GEARS

Gears

A gear is a rotating circular component of a machine with cut teeth or, in the case of a cogwheel or gearwheel, inserted teeth that mesh with another toothed component to transmit torque & speed.

RACK + PINION

A rack and pinion is a kind of linear actuator that consists of a circular gear engaging a linear gear. Together, they transform rotational motion into linear motion. The rack is driven in a line by rotating the pinion.

WORMGEAR

A worm drive is a set of gears that consists of a worm (a screw-shaped gear) and a worm wheel (which resembles a spur gear in appearance). The two components are also known as the worm gear and worm screw.

Examples

- Drills
- Clocks
- Bicycles
- Vehicles
- Elevators

BEVELGEAR

Gears with conically formed teeth bearing forces are known as bevel gears because they have an intersection point where the axes of the two shafts meet.

Advantages

1. Mechanically strong
2. They work well at low velocities
3. High efficiency per transmission
4. Highly durable

Disadvantages

1. Not suitable for large velocities.
2. Not suitable for transmitting motion
3. No flexibility
4. Gear operation is noisy.

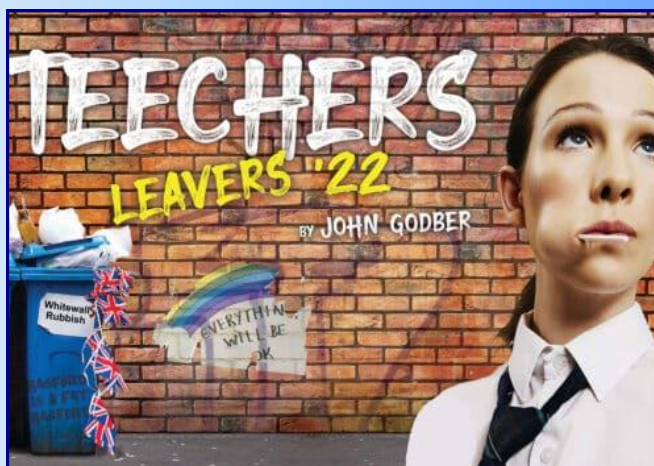
Pranav
Jacob
Cameron
Husin

News, Events & Activities from the Drama Department...

Teechers Review:

Teechers is an excellent play about three students putting on a performance at their school about their teachers. The original play was written in 1984 but the script has been adapted to fit today's life. It discusses problems from today such as Covid and the school system. Third person narration and breaking the 4th wall were just some of the great drama techniques used in the play and originally came from the theatre director Brecht.

One particularly interesting aspect about Teechers was the sparse set. It was very simple, all it consisted of was 3 tables and 3 chairs. This was great because it shows you don't need complex set changes and elaborate props to engage the audience.



Another thing we found so fascinating about the play was the cast. There were three actors who played many hilarious characters, danced amazing routines and sang brilliant songs. They included lots of references to social media, making it relatable to the younger audience who use apps like TikTok. The use of actors playing multiple roles in particular was so impressive and very well done by changing slight details in their uniform, voices and mannerisms to present themselves as different people.

A fantastic touch to the play was the audience interaction. The actors created a wholesome and comfortable feel when they chatted to us during the interval and whilst taking our seats, jokingly asked for some of our sweets/snacks and directed certain lines of the script to the teachers in the audience and other people watching.

Overall, we thoroughly enjoyed this play and found it so entertaining to watch. We would recommend this performance to people who want a good laugh at relatable jokes as well as GCSE drama students to help recognise performance techniques in live theatre.

By Holly and Olivia Winton - 9STU & 9MST





News, Events & Activities from the English Department...

This term, 9YENI have studied Shakespearean tragedies such as: *'Romeo and Juliet'* and *'Othello'*. When looking at *Othello* we discussed a tragic hero and the fatal flaws they possess. Taking inspiration from this, students wrote short stories about tragic heroes. Listed below are the beginnings of these stories.

Mrs Grigson

Thou took my trust and buried it in a ready-made grave.
Amongst the field I sit, thou have deceived me.
Hath my forgiveness failed me once again?
For thou evil has not conceded.
For thou evil is not at god's end.

The letter amongst my possession,
Thou ink does not echo thou words.
A promise of peace is not in order.

Thy lies are daggers.
Thy lies are a dark as blood.
Thy villainous intentions
Is that intent amongst my trust?

A dagger is not as deep,
As thou promise thou did not keep.
Does this mark my end?
For my forgiveness fell for pretend.

Charlotte Thorne - 9MOW



In one beautiful city in ancient Greece,
A prince returns home after the peace.
Fighting battles until there were none,
And returns bless'd with a beautiful son.
Yet, the prince finds trouble in his family bliss:
The baby is screaming, the prince gets sick.
He forms a plan to ease his stress,
As he turns his thoughts to the princess.
Away from family may be the best cure,
But can they be saved before they endure?

Megan Bolli - 9SRO

In far Milan, where this story is set,
A soldier and his lover, driven by an ugly truth,
Kill themselves only days after they met.
In a haze of green, and blinded by youth.

A king, a princess, and a soldier alike,
Contained in this woeful tale.
Two death, a wedding, and horrors not of sight.
Within these few hours, I will unveil.

From forth the monster and an unloving wife,
The soldier Bordeaux will learn his lesson.
But only with the end of his life,
He understands his lover's confession.

But for now, to the castle we must go
To watch the tragedy unfold.
To see the soldier become his own foe.
To hear the story be told.
This is the end of my lines, there is no more to be said,
For the characters in our story are already ahead.

Ruby Tharby - 9SRO

News, Events & Activities from the English Department Continued...

"You dare to defy me?" bellowed his father, as the boy curled up into the damp, tight corner. His father's expression gradually twisted into bitterness like a monster awakening. Eyes wild with spite, mouth pressed into a thin line, hands clenched into fits and the posture of a predator waiting to strike.

The boy let a slight whimper escape his cracked lips - not going unnoticed by the creature in front of him.

In a split second, a rough large hand found its way to his already purpling cheek. He stifled his cries, biting his tongue doing this.

Once more, his father bellowed "You dare defy me!"

Then, he grabbed the boy's collar, pulling him up, and hissed into his ear, "Now Daemon, never try to escape again." Sweat covered Daemon's forehead when he woke from another nightmare. He despised reliving his torture. At the age of twelve, he had already been bruised twenty times and broken his bones ten times. Now, six years later, Daemon lived safely away in a rented room. If he was ever to have a child, he vowed he would never ever mistreat them. No one should live through what he had.

He laid on his worn-out bed, thinking about his vow and his past. On the floor was a brown blanket full of holes made by moths and vermin. Covered by it was his daughter. She emitted such innocence, sleeping peacefully, ignorant to her troubled future ahead.

Daemon turned his head to look at her. It felt like a hundred needles stabbing at his heart when he watched her. His daughter resembled his dead wife with the same warm brown eyes, blonde hair and petite figure. Staring at her pained him but he merely shrugged it off as his desire to keep his vow.

A rustling sound told Daemon his daughter Bella had stirred in her slumber. Automatically, he soundlessly rose from the bed, then he walked out of the room and stood by the tiny window in the small cottage.

The sun was rising in the clear sky and soon Bella would be up and ready to start her chores. Daemon didn't know how long he had stood there for, however he knew it was time to assign his daughter the chores.

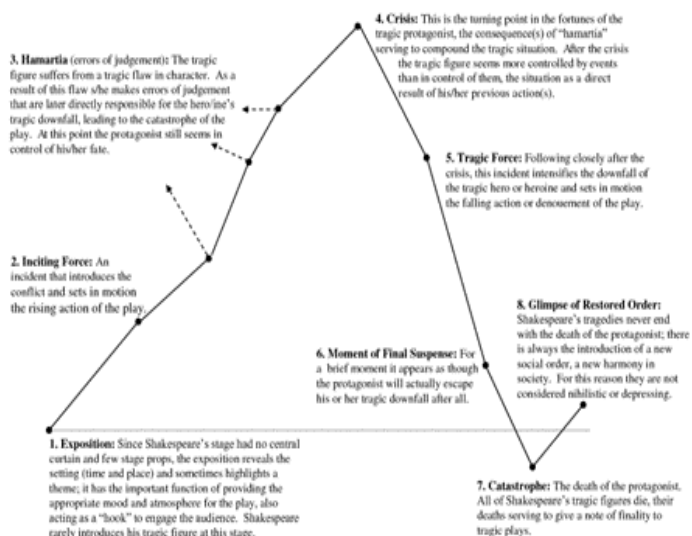
When he found her opposite the table in her rags, shivering from the cold, he commanded, "You are to clean every room in this cottage, wash the clothes, and cook dinner before I am back from work. Understood?"

His daughter nodded and scurried away. Since his wife had died, he had gotten used to solitude and the eery silence accompanying it.....

Amelia Wong - 9MOW



THE STRUCTURE OF A SHAKESPEAREAN TRAGEDY



News, Events & Activities from the Food Technology Department...

Year 9

Students in Year 9 have been learning about cereal and cereal products this term as well as primary and secondary processing. Students have also been developing their high practical skills by making and shaping pasta. Here are some of the results.



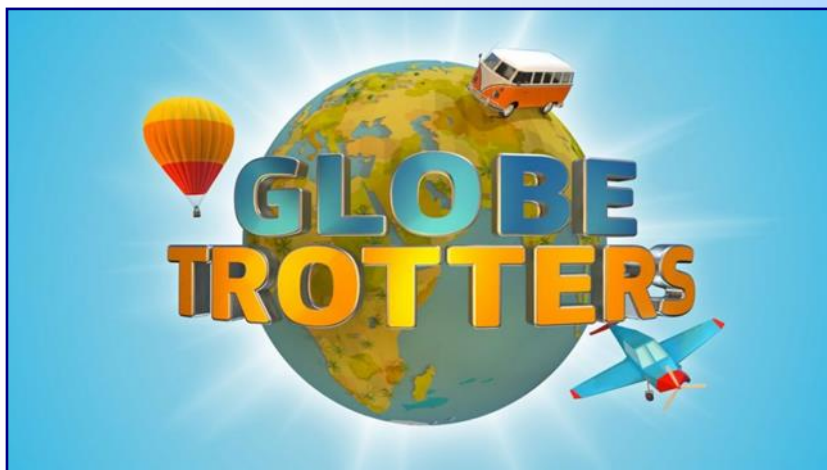
News, Events & Activities from the Food Technology Department Continued...

Year 11

Food, Preparation and Nutrition students had their final practical recently. For the practical they were revising food science and made an English Breakfast. Once made they had to label cooking methods, science key words and nutritional information about the ingredients.



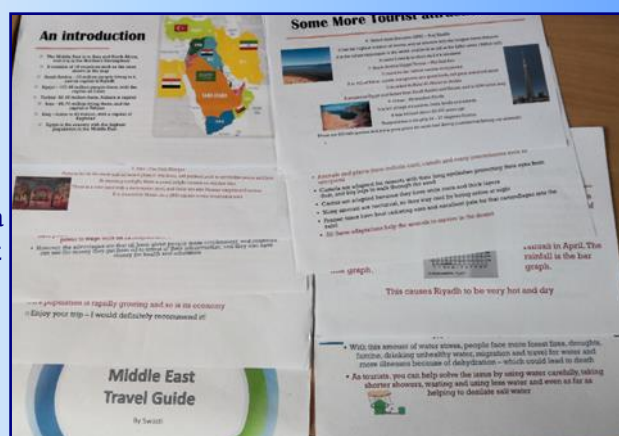
News, Events & Activities from the Geography Department...



The Geography Department would like to celebrate the achievement of some of our students each month.

Each teacher has selected a student that they teach, that they would like to recognise for their outstanding work, effort and progress in Geography.

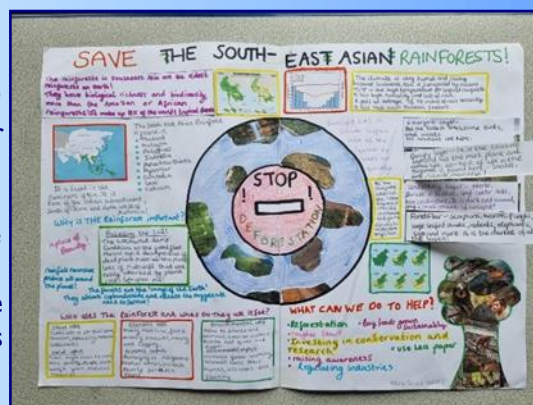
Ms Frampton would like to recognise **Swasti Singhal** in Year 8 for her amazing piece of work on her Middle East assessment. Swasti has produced a fantastic travel guide on the Middle East – perhaps it could be published one day!



Mr Salmon would like to recognise **Amelia Wong** for her fantastic effort in her Year 9 Geography exam. Mr Salmon was very impressed with Amelia's outstanding result! She achieved an amazing Grade 9! Well done, Amelia!

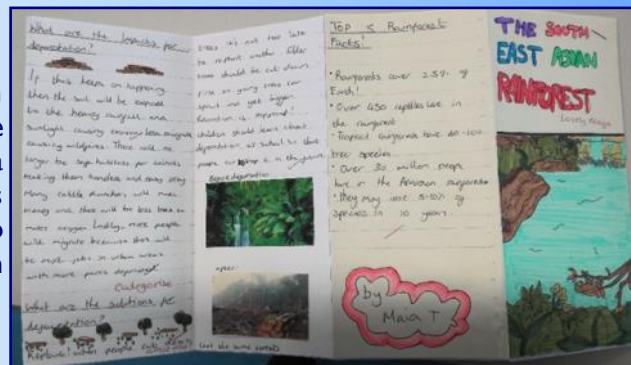
Mr West would like to recognise two students this month. Firstly, **Shrey Mathur** for his fantastic effort in his Year 9 Geography exam. Shrey achieved a magnificent result and Mr West was very impressed! Well done, Shrey!

Secondly, Mr West would like to recognise **Olivia-Grace Weaver** in Year 7 who has created a beautifully designed poster for the Amazing Asia assessment! I think you will agree what a stunning piece of work this is and how well it educates people about the South-East Asian Rainforests.



News, Events & Activities from the Geography Department Continued...

Miss Davis would like to recognise **Maia Tobin** in Year 7 for creating a very detailed and informative leaflet for the Amazing Asia assessment! Maia has put a lot of time and effort into this piece of work, and Miss Davis was very impressed! Hopefully this will help to educate people about the problems with deforestation in the South-East Asian Rainforests.



Ms Schoonraad would like to recognise **Ellen Charman Lodge** in Year 10 for her excellent effort and achievement in her recent Year 10 Geography mock exam. Ms Schoonraad was very impressed, and Ellen wrote some very strong answers! Well done, Ellen!

Well done to all of our Globetrotters this month!

Keep an eye out in next month's newsletter to see who our top Geographers are for June!

Miss Davis and The Geography Department.

May is always a busy month with the start of the exam season but the rest of the school are still working hard too. In the History department Year 7 have been studying the Tudors and some have created amazing projects on their favourite aspect of this fascinating family. Year 8 have been investigating the causes and events of the Holocaust, Year 9 are starting their Elizabeth I GCSE studies and Year 12 have been continuing with their A Level courses on 20th century USA and South Africa.

Mrs Barton

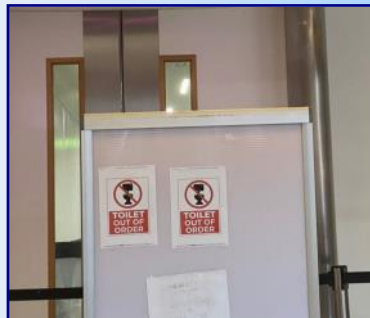


Dine in Geography Discussion for May...

The Geography department has created a regular feature for the newsletter - 'Dine in Geography discussion.' The aim is to create geographical discussion around the dinner table between students and parents/carers, based on significant and topical issues.



Menu



Appetizer

Were you affected by low water supply and pressure over the weekend of the 13th May? Over 1,500 homes in Crawley suffered a poorer quality of life with a lack of water due to a burst water pipe. In Horsham 20,000 were left without water after a failure at a water supply station.

Starter

What is quality of life?

Main

What are the basic services/resources required for a good quality of life?
What issues arise when these services/resources are not available?

Dessert

Why is it difficult to provide these services/resources to everyone in the whole world?

School Site News...

We have been busy in the background, as always, seeking to improve the facilities we offer to students.

It's been two years in the making, but we are excited to announce that a 225kWh solar project will be going live after half-term. We have been able to secure investment and the infrastructure to install solar panels to nearly all our flat roof spaces; we are hopeful this could provide perhaps a third (or more) of the school's electricity in years to come.



Being good neighbours, we have granted permission for the placement of a new radio tower alongside the border of our lower wooded area, next to the railway track. It will be hidden away behind the trees and the electricity pylon. This will enable rail users to access much better Wi-Fi and connectivity from their trains.



This summer term will also see us conclude the third of three projects, funded by central government, replacing all our old roofs. You may be aware that the school was originally built in the 1950s and many of our roofs were extremely old and leaky! This will enable much better insulation, together with of course being completely watertight.

Mr Meggs
Finance Manager

House News...

With the sun *just* beginning to peak through the eternal rain of 2023, we held the long awaited and much anticipated event of the House calendar – The Great House Bake Off!

Every year students continue to impress, surprise and delight the judges and this time around was no different (if even more spectacular than usual!). Students from across the year groups showed off their baking talents with cakes, cookies, flapjacks, muffins and more – in fact they baked so much that we had to move the venue this year just hold the sheer number of sweet treats.



As lunchtime rolled around, stomachs growled across the site and both students and teachers alike nestled themselves a brief moment of distraction at the thought of Victoria sponge, carrot cake, cookies and cream, choc chip... The contestants lined up and nervously presented their cakes to the panel of judges, lead by head judge and chief cake connoisseur, Ms Fearon. There was excited chatter as the panel made their way around the room, sampling and smiling.



House News Continued...

A hush fell as the judges deliberated. The winners had been decided!

From Seacole – Sinowethu Matsebula 9SCO

From Duleep Singh – Gracie Baines, Callie Goodbourn and Lily Smith all 8RGR

From Winton – Annabel Collins 10RPA

From Equiano – Isabella Rosato 7ELL and Nox Collins 8SBA

From Turing – Sophie Bunn and Poppy Alexander 8JHR

From Fry – Poppy Hills in 7ZKH

But the overall winner was...

Sinowethu from Seacole House! Congratulations!



And with the winners announced it was time to let in the hoards of hungry students who had been stood patiently outside, salivating at the prospect of delicious delicacies created by their peers. As soon as the doors opened the students stampeded in and eagerly devoured more cake than previously thought possible.

Congratulations to everyone who took part – it was a fantastic success once again and we look forward to seeing your creations next year!

The Bake Off had a big impact on the House Table, pushing poor Winton from 2nd down to 5th, raising Turing from 4th to 3rd, but Equiano hold steady in 1st place!

House Points Table May 2023	
The winning house is ...	
	
Equiano	
80,006 points!	
	2nd place – Seacole 78,808 points
	3rd place – Turing 77,909 points
	4th place – Duleep Singh 76,303 points
	5th place – Winton 75,718 points
	6th place – Fry 73,718 points

We have many more House Events to come so this can all change!

Look out for:

The Spring Photography Competition

The Meme Caption Competition

The Cup Stack Competition

If you have any questions, ask any of the Heads of House!

Miss Brown

Careers Café...

In this section of the newsletter, we bring students, parents and carers information on careers and the world of work.

NCS Opportunity for Year 11 students - Reminder

The National Citizen Service (NCS) organises 'AWAY FROM HOME RESIDENTIAL EXPERIENCES,' in which students can embark on some new adventures with their friends, make new friends, and develop and strengthen their skills. Over 750,000 young people have taken part in the programme since 2010, including many previous Hazelwick students.

If you would like to find out more information about NCS and how you can sign your young person up, please follow the link below:

[NCS | Grow Your Strengths | National Citizen Service \(wearencs.com\)](https://www.wearencs.com)

Please note places on NCS are limited.

Tips on applying for a job and writing CVs.

West Sussex County Council asked their resourcing team to share their Top Tips on applying for a job or having an interview with them... [Here they are!](#)



For further support, visit: [The job application process - West Sussex County Council](#)

Getting ready to write your first CV? Check out these top tips from Career Sense:

[How to write a CV \(mycareersense.com\)](https://www.mycareersense.com)



Careers Café Continued...

Make the Future Yours

Issue 7 of Make the Future Yours! magazine is now available to read for free. This issue features careers in Health, Project Management, Construction, plus why work experience is important. It explains what a Training Provider is, how to make the most of your hobbies and advice on starting your own business.

It can be viewed at www.makethefutureyours.uk/latest-issue

Previous issues are available at www.makethefutureyours.uk/mtfy-archive

Sector Focus: Culture and Tourism

The culture and tourism sectors are important for income and employment within West Sussex. Covid clearly had a significant impact, including the lack of overseas visitors. However, the latest figures from Overseas travel and tourism - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk) show that the number of visitors to the UK in November 2022 was higher than November 2019 – the first time there has been an increase on the pre - pandemic comparable month.

The last published figures for employment in the tourism sector are taken from the <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/the-uk-tourism-satellite-account-uk-tsa-2020>

- The main employment sector is in food and beverage – around 48% of employment, followed by accommodation (12%) and sport and recreation (12%)
- Overall, the male: female ratio is almost 50:50 albeit with some areas – rail and road passenger transport - with much higher levels of male employees
- Almost half the employees work part-time.

Here is a [list of 10 careers](#) in the sector:

1. Travel Agent
2. Hotel Manager
3. Spa Manager
4. Tour Operator
5. Event and conference organiser
6. Tour Guide
7. Executive Chef
8. Sommelier
9. PR Manager
10. Leisure Activity Coordinator

If you are interested in a career in this area, there is lots of useful information at [Careers in Hospitality, Leisure & Tourism \(successatschool.org\)](http://successatschool.org)

LMI dashboard

The DfE has developed a dashboard of the labour market information:

<https://department-for-education.shinyapps.io/local-skills-dashboard/>

Careers Café Continued...

Here is an extract for our local area:

Overview of local landscape in Brighton and Hove, East Sussex, West Sussex LSIP

Change metrics are measured against the same period in the previous year. NB non-zero axes.

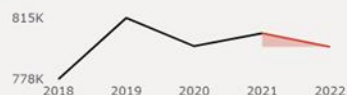
Labour market

People employed

Jan 2022-Dec 2022

797,400

-8,100



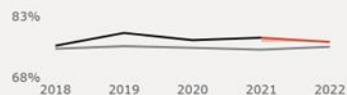
[Find out more about employment volumes](#)

Employment rate

Jan 2022-Dec 2022

77%

-1ppts



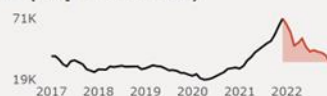
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Online job adverts (experimental)

Dec 22

33,995

-37,410



Skills

Education and training achievements

AY21/22

15,220

+80

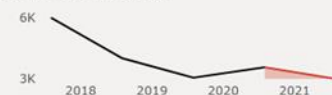


Apprenticeship achievements

AY21/22

3,270

-570



[Find out more about skills](#)

Key Stage 5 positive destination rate

AY20/21

78%

-2ppts

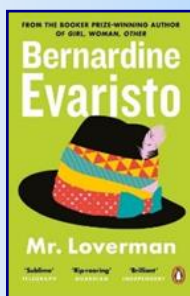
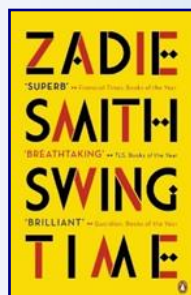


[Find out more about destinations](#)

You can explore other areas of the country by making your selection from the drop-down menu at the top of the [web page](#).

Mrs Andrews

Read On!



Read all about the 'Lit in Colour' collection, with my mini biographies about some of the authors. As the United Kingdom Literacy Association's shortlisted titles for this year's book awards have recently been announced, I thought I would share the shortlist with you. I have also featured the Hazelwick Book Group as I wanted to thank all the students that have attended our monthly meetings to date and to remind you that the group is open to students in all year groups.



As featured by Miss Bansal in the March edition of the newsletter, students and staff have been busy reading titles from the 'Lit in Colour' collection. The initiative was established in 2020 by the publisher Penguin Books UK and the think-tank The Runnymede Trust with the aim of supporting schools 'to make the teaching and learning of English literature more inclusive.' The research undertaken as part of the initiative found that there was a 'systematic under-representation of Black, Asian and minority ethnic writers in the school curriculum, relative to both to their place in contemporary British literary excellence and compared to the demographics of the school population.' The report noted that of young people surveyed, 82% had no recollection of studying a text by Black, Asian or minority ethnic author. Please click on the link below to access the full report which details the key findings.

<https://litincolour.penguin.co.uk/assets/Lit-in-Colour-research-report.pdf>

With over three hundred titles to choose from, I have selected some of the authors that have several books in the collection. If you would like to explore the 'Lit in Colour' collections in detail, I have included the link to the reading lists:

<https://www.penguin.co.uk/lit-in-colour/teaching-resources/reading-lists>

Read On Continued....



Maya Angelou

American author, poet, and civil rights activist Marguerite Ann Johnson (Maya was a family nickname) was born in 1928. Angelou pioneered an autobiographical writing style, with the most famous book 'I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings' being published in 1969. This was followed by six further autobiographies over the course of her life, with the final volume 'Mon & Me & Mom' being published in 2013. Angelou also wrote poetry, plays and screenplays, in addition to picture books for children. The author was also a talented actor and singer and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2011 for her inspirational work in the arts.

<https://www.fantasticfiction.com/a/maya-angelou/>



Bernardine Evaristo

Multi-award winner, author and academic Evaristo was born in London, to a Nigerian father and English mother in 1959. In addition to fiction/verse fiction titles, the author also writes non-fiction titles, poetry, literary criticism, and for radio and theatre drama. In 2019 Evaristo became the first black woman and black British writer to win the Booker Prize in the awards fifty-year history, with the book 'I, Girl, Woman, Other'. The author is both an activist and advocate for the inclusion of artists and writers of colours. Evaristo's interest in African diaspora influences their writing and project work.

<https://www.fantasticfiction.com/e/bernardine-evaristo/>



Marie Lu

Chinese American author Marie Lu is best known for the dystopian 'Legend' series for Young Adults, with the first book published in 2011, a debut novel. The author has gone on to pen several other series including 'Young Elites', 'Warcross' and 'Skyhunter'. The new series 'Stars & Smoke' was published in April; an enemy to lover novel, with book two due for publication next year. Lu also wrote a Batman story for the DC Icons series in 2018.

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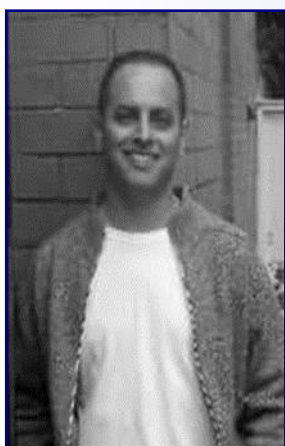
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Manjeet Mann

Mann is an award winning children's author with her debut Young Adult novel 'Run, Rebel' winning several book awards in 2020/2021. The author's follow up novel, 'The Crossing' won the Costa Children's Book Award in 2021. Both novels are written in free verse and the author's writing style proved popular with Young Adult readers. Mann is also the founder of the 'Run the World' project, which aims to 'Empower women and girls through sport and theatre.'

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Bali Rai

Born in 1971, author Bali Rai was born and raised as a working-class Punjabi in a deprived area in Leicester. The city's multicultural heritage is often reflected in Rai's writing. Rai's first book, '(Un)arranged Marriage' was published in 2001 and in addition to writing novels for Young Adults, the author also wrote two popular series for children, 'Soccer Squad' and 'Tales from Devana High'. Rai is also a great promoter of reading for pleasure and was an ambassador for The Reading Agency's Reading Ahead programme. Rai was also a writer-in-residence for the charity BookTrust. The author has also written a number of titles for the dyslexia-friendly publisher Barrington Stoke.

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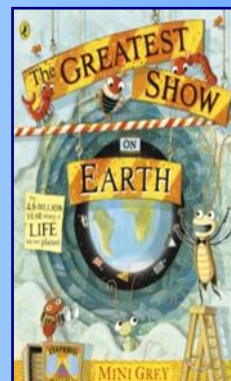
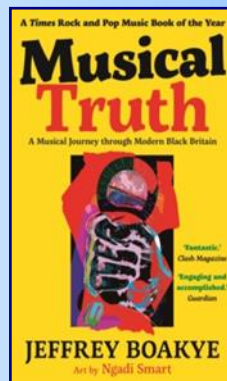
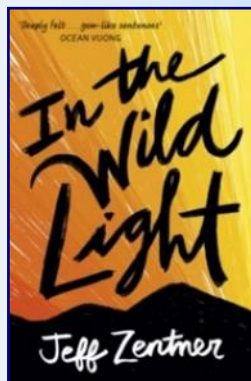
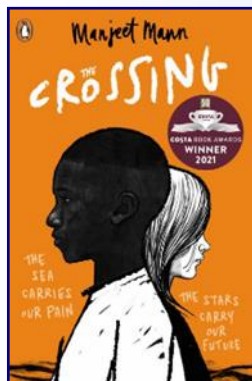


Arundhati Roy

Born in India in 1961, Arundhati Roy won the Booker Prize in 1997 with the novel 'The God of Small Things' which became the biggest-selling book by a nonexpatriate Indian author. After several years of writing non-fiction titles with a political bent, Roy published the novel 'The Ministry of Utmost Happiness' in 2017. In addition, the author has also written several screenplays. An outspoken activist for human rights, Roy has been awarded several awards in recognition of their campaigning.

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Read On Continued....



UKLA BOOK AWARDS 2023

The United Kingdom Literacy Association is the only book award that is judged by a panel of teachers and is divided into three categories for the Fiction titles by age range and one for Non-Fiction. I have listed the 11 to 14 Fiction age group and the Non-Fiction titles, but I have included the link to the official website which lists all the shortlisted titles by age category for those parents/carers who have younger children.

Fiction 11-14+

- Tremendous Things written by Susin Nielsen (Andersen)
- In the Wild Light written by Jeff Zentner (Andersen)
- The Blue Book of Nebo written by Manon Steffan Ros (Firefly)
- Truth Be Told written by Sue Divin (Macmillan)
- Julia and the Shark written by Kiran Millwood Hargrave and illustrated by Tom de Freston (Orion)
- The Crossing written by Manjeet Mann (Penguin)

Info 3-14+

- Musical Truth: A Musical History of Modern Black Britain in 28 Songs written by Jeffrey Boakye and illustrated by Ngadi Smart (Faber)
- Amazon River written by Sangma Francis illustrated by Rômolo D'Hipólito (Flying Eye)
- Bandoola: The Great Elephant Rescue written and illustrated by William Grill (Flying Eye)
- Here and Queer written by Rowan Ellis and illustrated by Jacky Sheridan (Frances Lincoln)
- The Greatest Show on Earth written and illustrated by Mini Grey (Puffin)
- I am the Subway written and illustrated by Kim Hyo-eun. Translated by Deborah Smith (Scribble)

<https://ukla.org/news/ukla-book-awards-2023/>

Read On Continued....

Hazelwick Book Group

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students who have made the Hazelwick Book Group so much fun. Our April meeting was a lively debate about the conventions that make up the Action genre. There was an interesting exchange about animals as villains, favourite action books and films, and a debate about action subgenres. We also planned our discussion themes for the new academic year. We also wished our Year 11 students good luck with their exams.

The group is open to students from all Year groups and there is no need to book in advance. We meet for an hour in the library after school once a month and free refreshments are provided. We always start our meetings with a free book prize giveaway. Poppy Hills 7ZKH was our lucky winner this month.

We have two more meetings remaining for this term:

Friday 26th May: More marvellous Manga

Friday 14th July: Our summer reads



Happy Reading!

Mrs Thornton BA (Hons) MCLIP
School Librarian

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Guest Reviewer

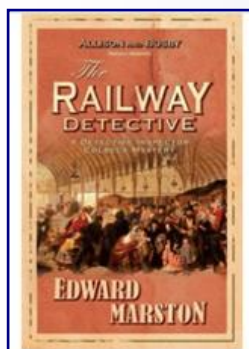
Our guest reviewer this month is Mrs Venn.

Book Title

The Railway Detective



What do I think about the book?



Why this book? I am intrigued by murder mysteries – not the actual murder but the working out of whodunnit, whether you know the murderer at the start or discovering the one at the end.

Upon researching Edward Marston's books, I found his books spanned many timelines and were a series of books that followed the characters from one problem to another.

The first book in the series lays out the theme of a focus around railways and steam trains. Set in London in 1851, with the backdrop of the Great Exhibition- which celebrates the innovative engineering inventions of the Victorian times, of which the steam train is a feature.

The story opens with an important shipment of cash being moved from London to Birmingham. A daring robbery takes place on this journey, in which the train driver is seriously hurt. The story starts to unfold with the introduction of the main characters: Railway Detective Robert Colbeck, who was a barrister turned Detective, and Sergeant Victor Leeming, a London policeman; both characters are contrasting in experiences and personality. The Met Police and detecting serious crimes is also very new and the experiences which the police take for granted today are beginning to be formed.

It is not long before you are transported back to the time of steam trains and moving around the country as a part of the investigation to solve the robbery. The story is a tangle of murder, blackmail and the destruction of lives and places: a theme we can relate to today. Within the intrigue is the bringing together of other characters to make the solving of the crime more intense, thinking like the criminals to know their next move. The storyline makes it hard to put down, and eager to return to find out what happens next.....

Who would enjoy this book?

I think someone who would like a change of setting for a murder mystery style story, who is interested in history as well as trains. Someone who likes to solve puzzles and work through a problem. Building a mindset to ask questions and look further than what is in front of you. Someone who will love to follow the characters further into another adventure still based in London but moves further around the country and into Europe in the 1800's.

If trains are not your interest Edward Marston also has a ship theme, and many more besides, to take you on a journey to another world, place, or time.

Happy Reading!

Mrs Venn

Accelerated Reader...



RENAISSANCE
Champion School



Millionaire Readers

Congratulations to our new millionaire readers this month; Thomas Bullen (7TFR), Rhia Rahi (7LSC) and Tymofiy Seliuk (7RKR). Very well done, keep up the fantastic reading effort!



Book Buddies Group



Some of our lucky Year 7 students have started to attend a weekly reading group in the library. The Book Buddies group have the opportunity to enjoy some extra reading sessions with support from our Year 8 Reading Ambassadors. Run by Mrs Stewart, the group is proving to be a great way for the Year 7 students to gain confidence with their reading.



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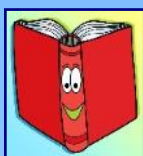


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Drop Everything And Read

On Wednesday 3rd May we had our DEAR session. All of the students and teachers were expected to read for pleasure, uninterrupted, for 30 minutes during lesson 5. DEAR has proved to be a very successful reading initiative for Hazelwick school, championed and arranged by Mrs Hampton. We know from feedback that students and staff, school wide, enjoy the opportunity to take time out from their day to just simply read their books.



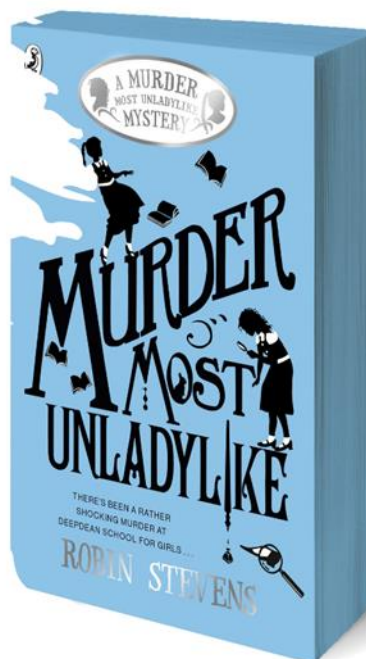
Year 8 Reading Ambassadors Book of the Month

Book of the Month Murder Most Unladylike

'If you love murder mystery, books you must read this one!'

- *Murder Most Unladylike* is a 2014 children's mystery novel by British-American author Robin Stevens. It follows two schoolgirls in 1930s England solving their first murder mystery and is the first book in the 'Murder Most Unladylike' series.

- The story is written in the style of a casebook and follows two fictional boarding schoolgirl detectives, Daisy Wells and Hazel Wong, as they try to find the murderer of their science teacher. The book has been nominated for several awards, including the Carnegie Medal.



If you would like any further information about the accelerated reader scheme, feel free to e-mail me directly. Egray@hazelwick.org.uk.

Mrs E Gray

Accelerated Reader Mentor

Sport...

The boys have got off to a mixed start this season, winning their first game and losing their second. They beat Imberhorne School, scoring 138 runs for the loss of just two wickets and bowled the opposition out for 112.

They then lost to Worth School, scoring 139 runs for the loss of 5 wickets. Worth School chased the runs down with 3 overs remaining and the loss of only 1 wicket. A special mention should go to Louis Ricketts who has scored 46 and 64 not out over both games.

Mr Bagnall

Students Back Row (left to right)

Nawwaf Khan, Louis Ricketts, Tom Duncan, Kunaal Patel, Joshua Parker, Varunpreetham Alahari, Kazim Hussain

Front Row (left to right)

Brodie Ryrie-Smith, Om Patel, Thomas Buckle, Luke Thorne, Shivankar Singh.

Dylan Roberts has also played but is not pictured



Spotlight on Safeguarding...

For your information this month, via the Newsletter, we are raising awareness of the dangers of laughing gas.

Nitrous Oxide, commonly known as laughing gas, is a colourless gas sold in cannisters and can be taken recreationally when it is transferred to balloons. The drug is controlled under the Psychoactive Substances Act (2016), which makes it illegal to supply, although there is no penalty for possession, unless the individual is in prison. Between 2001 and 2020 there have been 56 deaths involving nitrous oxide, with 45 of those deaths occurring since 2010. Some of those deaths have occurred in medical settings, not from misuse. Currently, it is one of the most used drugs amongst 16 to 24 year olds, second most popular after cannabis, according to the Office of National Statistics, although it is important to state that the majority of young people do not take drugs. The risks of taking laughing gas include falling unconscious and/or suffocating from the lack of oxygen, eventually leading to death. Also heavy use can lead to a severe deficiency of vitamin B12 which can lead to serious nerve damage which causes tingling and numbness in the fingers and toes. This can lead to paralysis and the damage may be irreversible.



Earlier this year, the government announced that they are planning to make possession, as well as supply, illegal in an attempt to crack down on the use of laughing gas. The government has publicly stated that apart from concerns over the serious health risks of taking laughing gas, anti-social behaviour was also a factor in the proposed ban, as cannisters are a common blight in parks when users dump them without regard for the local community. Controlling the sale of nitrous oxide will not be easy as it is widely sold by retailers as a gas for whipped cream and other industrial purposes.

At Hazelwick School, the dangers of drugs are taught in Years 7, 8 and 10 with the topic of laughing gas studied in Key Stage 4. Students also explore the classification of illegal drugs and the penalties for possession and supply of drugs. As a parent/carer, if you would like to have a conversation about drugs, there is useful advice on the Talk to Frank website on how to go about a constructive conversation on the topic. [Advice for parents & carers](https://www.talktofrank.com/advice-for-parents-and-carers/) | [FRANK \(talktofrank.com\)](https://www.talktofrank.com)

Where to get further information and support:

- **Talk to Frank – Drugs A to Z**
[Nitrous Oxide | Laughing Gas](https://www.talktofrank.com/nitrous-oxide-laughing-gas/) | [FRANK \(talktofrank.com\)](https://www.talktofrank.com)
- **Childline**
[Drugs | Childline](https://www.childline.gov.uk/drugs/)



Hazelwick Twitter Account

Follow us on our Twitter account @HazelwickSchool for reminders of key dates and details of important events.

Insight - Parent Portal

Insight is a secure online system which allows parents/carers to access a range of data and information about their son/daughter. Once logged in, parents/carers can view information such as their child's timetable, session attendance, behaviour points and school reports.

If you have not accessed this yet and would like more information, please email insight@hazelwick.org.uk

Medical Information

Can you please advise the school if there is a change in medical information for your son/daughter. It is important that our records are kept up to date.

Thank you.

Homework & Revision Clubs

Study Hub - Lunchtime

Room 1
Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Monday to Thursday 1.25pm - 1.55pm
Computers and printer available
Support available from staff
Bring your lunch
Booking is not necessary
Contact Mrs Stewart for more details:
rstewart1@hazelwick.org.uk

Visit our Homework Club
All Year Groups (7-11) in the Library

HOMEWORK HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER

Monday-Thursday
3-4pm

Computers and printing facilities

A quiet space and practical help

No need to book, just come along!



For specific information, please email or call Mrs Checkland on SENDCo@hazelwick.org.uk or 01293 403344 ext. 2268

Sixth Form: Monday to Friday until 5pm – Supervised study in the Octagon.