



Hazelwick School Newsletter

February 2024

Dates for your Diary:

Wed 6th Mar:

Year 8, Option Forms due in

Thu 7th Mar:

Let's Talk: Community Safety
Town Hall, Crawley
(see page 23)

Fri 8th Mar:

Fun Run and non-uniform
day to raise money for St
Catherine's Hospice

Wed 13th Mar:

INSET Day - school closed
to students

Wed 13th Mar:

Year 9 DofE Training Day

Mon 18th - Thu 28th Mar:

Year 9, Exams

Thu 28th Mar:

End of Term (1.25pm)

Mon 15th Apr:

Summer Term Starts
Week 1

Headlines

Ms A Fearon, Headteacher

Exam Preparation

Students in Years 11 and 13 are now on a countdown to their external exams. With not many school weeks left, it is crucial that all students apply themselves fully to their lessons, take advantage of the many booster and revision sessions offered by departments and have a clear schedule of work that they are following at home. We endeavour to keep parents and carers informed about all that is happening regarding exam preparation, but please do not hesitate to contact the year teams if you would like any further information, guidance or advice on how you can best help your child.

St Catherine's Youth Enterprise Challenge

The St Catherine's Youth Enterprise Challenge team's aim is to raise over £1,500 between the launch date in January and Thursday 28th March. Our team of six Year 12 students are working hard to raise as much as possible.



Many fund-raising activities have already taken place which have included a bake sale, hot chocolate sale, a non-uniform day and a bench ball competition.

If you feel able to donate, we have a justgiving page:
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/onwardsfororange>

Thank you in anticipation of your support for our fund raising challenge.

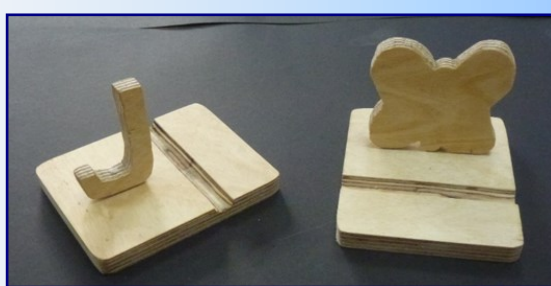


The School Site in Spring

As I write this, the sun is streaming through my office window and first signs of spring are obvious across the school campus. Thank you to our hard-working premises and grounds team for keeping our site in such beautiful condition. We are so fortunate at Hazelwick to have such a wonderful, spacious site enjoyed by all who work and study here.

All good wishes

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



KS3 Design & Technology

Year 8 students have been exploring different ideas for a phone holder design. Each student has explored creative responses to the brief in a variety of distinctive ways. They have learnt how to use the coping saw with precision to cut their design and other workshop equipment safely with skill.

Many have achieved an excellent result with their final product.

Well done Year 8!

Mr Khan, Mr O'Brien & Miss Awbery

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

Year 10 have again been developing their skills making millefeuilles. They had to work with precision and accuracy to ensure each pastry slice was measured accurately, they also used knife skills and worked on their piping. All this hard work resulted in a batch of evenly baked, consistently shaped and expertly finished off millefeuilles.



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

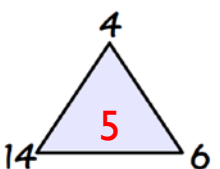
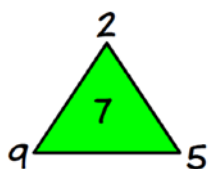
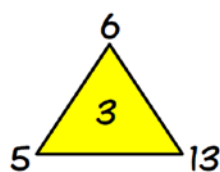
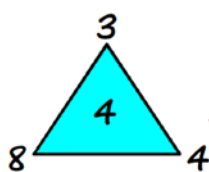
Year 10 also worked incredibly hard in a one hour lesson. In pairs they had to make curry, naan bread and a raita dip all from scratch.



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

A reminder of last month's puzzle

Which number should go in the empty triangle?



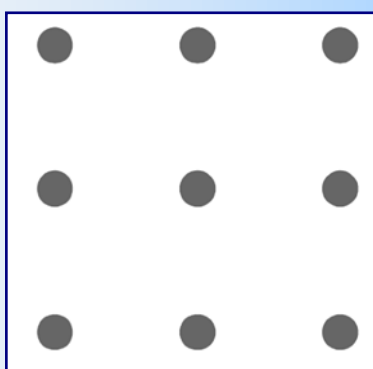
The missing number was 5. Add the two bottom numbers then divide by the top number in each triangle.



Well done if you managed to solve it.

Here is February's Puzzle

Draw nine dots on a piece of paper like this.



Can you go through all nine dots with four straight lines?
You **cannot** take your pen off the paper, but you can start where you want.

Good luck

The solution will be in next month's newsletter.



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

Hazelwick
Music Department



Music Clubs 2023-2024

Monday After school 3pm-4pm South Hall	Annie Rehearsals Cast
Tuesday Lunchtime 1:25pm-1:55pm Room 6 LMU	Music Tech Club All Years 7-13
Tuesday After school 3pm-4pm Room 8 IMO	Choir Years 7-11
Wednesday Lunchtime 1:25pm-1:55pm Room 8 IMO	Senior Choir Years 10, 11, 12, 13, and staff
Wednesday After school 3pm-4pm Room 6 LMU	Big Band All Years 7-13 Formally Orchestra and Big Band
Wednesday After school 3pm-4pm Room 8	Annie Rehearsals Cast



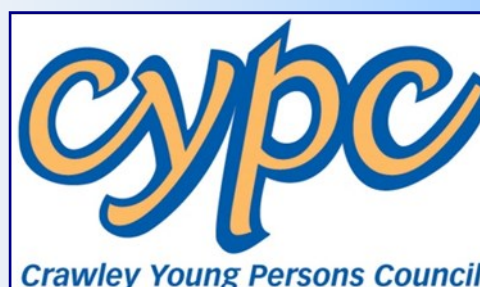
Youth Question Time Trip to The Hawth...

On Wednesday 21st February, I took a group of Year 10 and 11 students to an event at the Hawth run by the Crawley Young Person's Council.

There were four workshops aimed at young people including mental health and wellbeing, cost of living, knife crime and hate crime. At the end of the day there was a Youth Question Time session, run in a similar style to the Question Time programme on the BBC.

Students were able to question a police inspector, local councillor, mental health specialist and two youth workers. Hazelwick Students asked a number of mature and challenging questions to the panellists. The Crawley Young Person's Council, which has several Hazelwick School members, ran a thoroughly engaging and enjoyable event!

Mr Harman



House News...

February has been a great month for the house system, with a fantastic range of house events that so many students have got involved with. The score board is extremely close and ever shifting at the moment so keep up attendance to house events as it really is anyone's game!



Penalty Shoot Out

We had a sizeable turnout for the Penalty Shoot Out event last term with a number of brilliant Year 9 students keen to have a go at scoring a goal blindfolded. Both Dr Owen and I had great fun hosting this event and watching both the successes and failures of blindfolded football. A massive thank you and well done to all students who took part! The results were as follows:



Equiano – 400 points
Winton – 1000 points
Seacole – 100 points
Turing – 100 points
Duleep Singh – 600 points
Fry – 400 points



Form Photo Competition

Another incredible event run last term by Miss Palmer was the Form Photo Competition. It was amazing to see so many forms coming together to take such artistic and creative photos with a vast range of different ideas. The competition was judged meticulously by a group of Year 12 students who selected a winning entry for each House. So, a massive congratulations to all winning form entries, in particular 7NWI in Winton who were the overall winners with their brilliant entry titled:

'The Classroom Chess Board'!

A selection of winning entries is included on the following page.

Overall house point scores:

Fry	750
Equiano	1000
Seacole	500
Winton	1250
Turing	1250
Duleep Singh	0

House News Continued...



Overall winners in Winton: 7NWI with their photo

'The Classroom Chessboard'

Winners in Seacole: 7LMU with their photo
'Bohemian Rhapsody'



Total House Points for February

Congratulations to Winton again for securing another top of the leaderboard victory! The battle for 2nd and 3rd is tight so any house could steal the winning title in the weeks to come!

House Points Table February 2024

The winning house is ...



Winton
81,071 points!



2nd place – Fry
78,672 points



3rd place – Seacole
76,991 points



4th place – Duleep Singh
76,343 points



5th place – Turing
75,844 points



6th place – Equiano
69,327 points

Upcoming Events

It is still a brilliant time to get involved with house events, especially with the ongoing Caption Competition in which you can create your own funny captions for pictures. Keep an eye out also for the upcoming Women's History Month Quiz for all year groups and the Design a Planet competition for Years 7, 8 and 9. I look forward to seeing all of your out-of-this-world planet designs and fact files.



Mx Nolan – Head of Fry

Careers Café...

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

#NAW24

5-11 FEBRUARY 2024

#NAW2024

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

National Apprenticeship Week ran from 5th February 2024. Hazelwick supported this event and embraced the opportunity to raise awareness and give students opportunities to explore careers information.

Jess Saunders from Crawley College delivered assemblies to Year 9 and Year 10 as part of our #NAW24 programme.

WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

- > Get paid
- > Get trained
- > Get qualified
- It's a real job
- They can last between 1 – 4 years
- Gain a formal qualification
- Earn a competitive salary
- There is no cost to become an apprentice
- Choose from a wide range of apprenticeships and levels

We offer a range of Apprenticeships at Chichester College Group...

Over 86 courses!

How do I become an Apprentice?

- 1 Research!**
 - What Apprenticeships are out there?
 - What interests you?
 - Why do you want to do it?
- 2 Talk!**
 - Talk to friends and family
 - Ask your school careers advisor
 - What advice do they have?
- 3 Look!**
 - Look at college websites
 - See what job vacancies they have
 - Start to write a CV!



Careers Café Continued...

Each year group had a different theme for form time activities as follows:

Year 7	-	Where can my subjects take me? What transferable skills am I gaining?
Year 8	-	Exploring the apprenticeship pathway
Year 9	-	The working world – meeting some apprentices working at large tourist attractions
Year 10	-	Inspirational apprenticeship journeys. Celebrities who have been apprentices
Year 11	-	Myth busting and meeting some local providers of apprenticeships. Virtual assembly from Sam, an apprentice at Gatwick Airport
Year 12	-	Understanding apprenticeships. What are my options: Apprenticeship, university, or work? - BBC Bitesize
Year 13	-	How to find an apprenticeship

For more information on apprenticeships:

Hazelwick School - Careers

Apprenticeships - West Sussex County Council

Current Vacancies CCG | Training (ccgapprnticeships.ac.uk)

Parent Zone - Amazing Apprenticeships

Young People | Skills for Careers (education.gov.uk)

Work Experience opportunities for Year 12/13

RSM are offering an exciting hybrid work shadowing programme for those who have a desire to learn more about the accountancy profession. This is a fantastic opportunity to find out more about the world of accountancy and to gain a real insight into the different types of work that they do, how they work as a firm and the opportunities available to you after finishing college/sixth form.

Please do take a look at the link below if you are interested, and feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

[Year 12/13 Work Shadowing Programme - Gatwick - April 2024 in GATWICK | Audit at RSM UK](#)

Labour Market Information - Highest Paid Jobs

- According to Indeed data some of the best paid jobs are orthodontist, paediatrician, and dermatologist
- Glassdoor data shows some of the highest paying companies in 2022 were Citadel, White & Case and Google Cloud
- The best companies to work for in the UK include Bain & Company, Ocado Technology and Mastercard
- The best university degrees for job prospects include medicine and dentistry, veterinary science and education and architecture
- The top three best paying graduate jobs are investment banker, management consultant and trainee solicitor
- The top three high paying jobs that do not need degrees are personal trainers, estate agents and nutrition coach.

[Highest-paying jobs in the UK - Times Money Mentor \(\[thetimes.co.uk\]\(http://thetimes.co.uk\)\)](#)

Careers Café Continued...

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Free Film&Screen Club at CFI Academy

The CFI Academy Film&Screen Saturday Club gives 13–16-year-olds the opportunity to study a subject they love for free. It provides a unique chance for young people to build their skills, develop their confidence, and discover pathways to further study and future careers.

Learn about the art of visual storytelling, the history of cinema and the technology behind on-screen magic at the CFI Academy Film&Screen Saturday Club. Club members will be guided by guest speakers, film makers and industry professionals to develop their skills and gain valuable insights into the film industry, with the opportunity to showcase their films at a special screening.

Club members will also take part in national events throughout the year including visits to leading cultural institutions, Masterclasses with industry, a Summer Show exhibition of all Club members' work at London's prestigious Somerset House, and a Graduation Ceremony.

Find out more and apply to join - saturday-club.org/join



CFI ACADEMY

Film&Screen

Explore the subjects you love.

Join the Film&Screen Saturday Club at CFI Academy. It's free and open to 13–16 year olds of all ability

CFI Academy in collaboration with Crawley College, is proud to introduce a one-of-a-kind opportunity for young talents like you to explore the magic of filmmaking. Our Saturday Club is your ticket to hands-on training, creative exploration, and a deep dive into the world of cinema.

Club location:

Crawley Museum,
103 High Street, Crawley RH10 1DD

Club times:

Saturdays, 12:00 – 15:00



Find out more

@natsatclub
saturday-club.org/join

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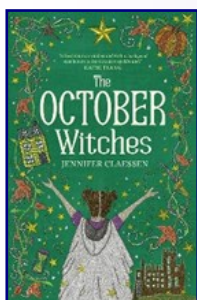
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World Book Day 2024



This year's World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7th March, and I thought I would detail our plans for this year, including a visit from author Jennifer Claessen. I have also featured the Yoto Carnegie Medal for Illustration as Mrs Bridgman is looking for student volunteers to help judge a selection of picture books. I have also given an update regarding some book award news. I would also like to thank our guest reviewer for this month, Ian Larkham, the Vice-Chair of Governors.

Author Event:



We are delighted to announce that the children's author Jennifer Claessen will be visiting Hazelwick on World Book Day. Jennifer will be providing reading inspiration for Mrs Gray's Reading lessons on the day and there will be a Q&A session for students at lunchtime. Jennifer will sign books for students who have their own copies. The Q&A session will be available to students from all year groups and free tickets will be available from the library. I have included the link to Jennifer's official website:

<https://www.jenniferclaessen.com/>

World Book Day Tokens and Free Books:

Tokens for Year 7 and Year 8 students will be handed out by Mrs Gray during Reading lessons in the Library. Tokens for students in Years 9 to Year 11 will be sent to Form teachers to hand out to any students that would like one. Sixth Form students are invited to collect their tokens from the Library on the day on a first come, first served basis.

The tokens can be used in the following ways:

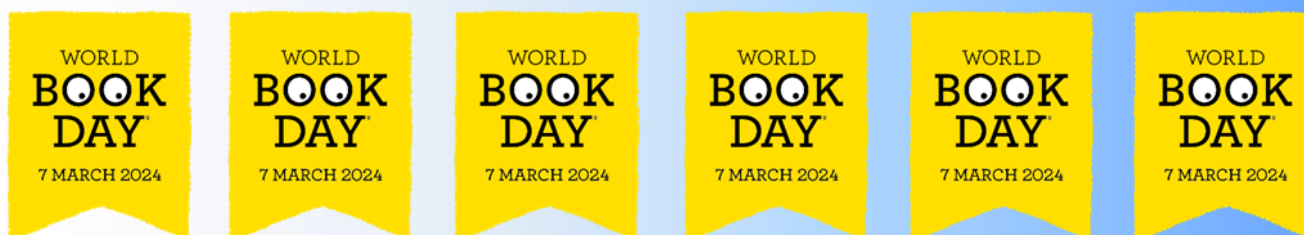
- Swapped for one of the World Book Day books at no charge
- You can use the token to get £1 off any book or audio worth £2.99 plus

The tokens are valid in participating stores from the Thursday 15th February – Sunday 31st March 2024.

The full list of books with reviews can be found on the official World Book Day website.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/books/>

Read On Continued....



Free Books:

Subject to availability, I have also ordered a range of the books to be given out to Year 7 and Year 8 students during Mrs Gray's Reading lessons. I have selected titles from both the 'Fluent' and 'Independent' categories. From past experience, we know that our students prefer to have the actual book selection to choose from.

Book Swap, Quizzes and Activities:

Our Reading Ambassadors have been busy planning different events and quizzes, and this includes the 'Book Swap' stall in the library, so that students can swap books from home for different titles. This will run from Thursday 29th February to Friday 8th March. Reading Ambassadors Isabelle Emmans and Freya Wheatley have also designed a quote quiz and I have heard that there will be a Sixth Form literary basketball competition. Mrs Gray's students will be taking part in a book character competition created by Year 8 student Isabelle Emmans and various other quizzes will be sent to Form teachers.

Mrs Gray will be challenging students to her 'Reading Heroes' competition, where students have to guess the name of the teacher hiding behind a book. Students can also take part in my name the book series from the character names.

Free Audio Books

The World Book Day charity also offers a selection of free audio books. The majority of titles are aimed at younger children, but I know that many of you have younger children, who might like them.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/>



Mrs Bridgman is recruiting students from all year groups to take part in this year's shadowing of the Yoto Carnegie Medal for Illustration. Young people across the country, known as 'Shadowers' will be able to judge a selection of picture books, shadowing the adult judging process. Once they have reviewed and discussed the books, they will be able to vote for their favourite. All the votes will then be totalled, and the Shadowers' Choice Awards will be announced. The shortlist announcement will be made on the 13th March 2024, with the voting closing on the 5th June. The winners of both the Medal and Shadowers' Choice Award on the 20th June.

Students who are interested in participating can pop in to see Mrs Bridgman at break or lunch time. The longlist of titles can be found by clicking the link below:

<https://yotocarnegies.co.uk/illustration-nominated-titles-2024/>

Read On Continued....

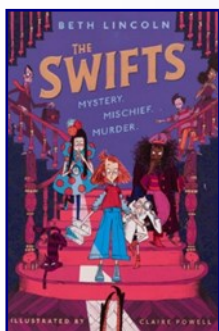
Book Award Round-Up

Branford Boase Award 2024

The longlisted titles for the Branford Boase Award have been released, with a range of genres, including crime and fantasy. The shortlist will be announced on the 25th March and I have included the link for the longlist.

https://branfordboaseaward.org.uk/2024-longlist/?utm_campaign=1040651_YLG%20Newsletter%20February%2024%20Part%201&utm_medium=email&utm_source=The%20Chartered%20Institute%20of%20Library%20and%20Information%20Professionals&dm_i=6WFS,MAYZ,9VDT8,2X2NL,I

Nero Book Awards 2023



'The Swifts' by Beth Lincoln has won the Children's Fiction category of the Nero Book Awards. I am sure this story, a murder mystery packed with humour, will make other book award shortlists. Please click on link below for all the category winners. Clicking on the title links will take you to a review of each book and give a brief biography about the authors.

<https://nerobookawards.com/category-winners/>

Keep Reading & Happy World Book Day!

Mrs Thornton BA (Hons) MCLIP
School Librarian

Read On Continued...

Guest Reviewer

Our guest reviewer this month is:
Mr Larkham, Vice-Chair of Governors

Book Title

Rosie Frost & The Falcon Queen

Author:

Geri Halliwell-Horner



Suddenly orphaned and alone, Rosie Frost is sent to an exclusive boarding school on Bloodstone island, a sanctuary for endangered wildlife. There she confronts a menacing Deputy Headmaster, mean girls intent on destroying her, and shocking family secrets. She also discovers that history can come to life in ways never imagined.

When the island and its animals come under threat, Rosie knows its up to her to save them. Her only hope is to enter the school's legendary Falcon Queen Games – and somehow win. Rosie can't do it alone, and she learns that believing in herself and her friends is the first step in finding the power she never knew she had.

This fictional story brings together a Harry Potter-esque adventure combined with the history of Henry VIII's six wives into a modern-day adventure. It's a book that you can pick up, read a few pages and put down, so great if you are not an avid reader. That said the book is full of twists and turns, so is a good book to sit down with whiling away a few hours.

The book is about self-discovery, dealing with difficult people and a school life that's not ideal, but holding onto some key values, one being 'have courage: make the choices that thou fearest the most' (not quite as cheesy as it sounds!).

Rosie has to face many challenges that require her to face her fears and show true courage in many different ways. Courage helps Rosie to complete the first of the Falcon Queen Game challenges. As the games continue, Rosie struggles to understand why she is at the school, what is really going on at the school and how you should not judge people on first impressions. Will she find answers to her many questions and find true friendship?

The book can be read as superficially as an adventure story or you can spend some time reflecting on Falcon Queen Games rules or perhaps write your own....



Malorie Blackman Livestream

Over 30 Malorie Blackman fans from Year 8 to 10 attended a live-streamed Q&A hosted by The British Library for secondary schools. Although we were disappointed that the questions we submitted to Malorie weren't chosen for the live interview, we enjoyed listening to her speak passionately about her writing process as well as the inspiration behind the hard-hitting themes in her books.

At Hazelwick, Noughts and Crosses is one of our Year 8 class readers, making the series a popular reading choice across the school. For the first time this year, our GCSE students are studying Malorie Blackman's Boys Don't Cry for their literature GCSE as part of our work as a Penguin Lit In Colour pioneer school.

Ms Bansal



Accelerated Reader...



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Millionaire Readers

There are four new millionaire readers this month.

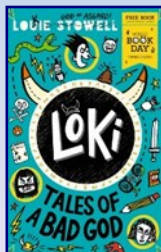
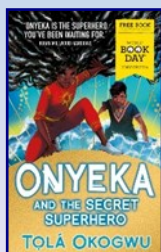
Congratulations to Zaynab Kaleem 7YBA, James Copper 7NWI, Florence Estcourt 7YBA and Sufyan Farooque 7EGA.

An excellent achievement. Well done!



World book day 2024 is on Thursday 7th March.

We will have a range of activities and competitions in the library for students to get involved with. There are some great £1 book titles this year for readers to enjoy, some of which we will have in the library. See Mrs Thornton's Read On page for more information. Why not take a look at the website for ideas and details about the day and all on offer? www.worldbookday.com



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

Mrs E Gray

Accelerated Reader Mentor

Sport...

The U12 football team have played two games in their Crawley schools 9 a side League.

In their first game they played Oriel High School and despite a hard-fought battle the team suffered a 5 - 2 defeat.

Great goals however came from Leyla Tek and Belle Imhoff.

In their second game the team played against Ifield Community College. This game was dominated by Hazelwick. During the game the Hazelwick players hit the bar and the post on more than one occasion and the opposition Goal Keeper was awarded player of the match for Ifield Community College. However, their determination and hard work paid off as Hazelwick achieved a 1-0 victory.

Hazelwick player of the match was awarded to Belle Imhoff who scored the winning goal.



Well done and good luck in your next game v St Wilfrid's Catholic School.

Back Row:

Blossom Ibe, Phoebe Leveque-Boucary, Evie Cullinane, Lily Tullett, Isabelle Buckle, Belle Imhoff

Front Row:

Cara Howells, Jade Frankham, Mofiyin Tanimowo, Bella Wainhouse.

Not Pictured:

Olivia Hampstead

Miss Oxby

At the start of February, Year 11 student Freya Dodimead took part in the National Final Schools Rifle competition. It was a fantastic achievement to reach the finals. Out of 22 Senior finalists, the top 8 scorers (after 20 shots) went through to the shoot-out eliminator final round. Freya qualified for the eliminator and narrowly missed out on the bronze medal, coming 4th in the Senior 10m Sporter Rifle Championships.

This is a wonderful achievement and we are so pleased that Freya was also representing Hazelwick. Well done, Freya!

Mr O'Brien



Sport Continued...

The annual Sportshall Athletics competition took place at the start of February at K2. This is the district round of the school games with the winners progressing to the county round. The following students took part in a range of indoor track and field competitions and all of them gave absolutely everything to score as many points as possible. The results were as follows:

Year 7 girls team – Silver

Year 7 boys team – 4th

Year 8 girls team – Silver

Year 8 boys team – Gold

The Year 8 boys have progressed to the next round which will be held on Thursday 18th April.

Year 7 Girls	Year 7 Boys	Year 8 Girls	Year 8 Boys
Phoebe Leveque-Boucary	Johan Anith	Lucy Hamshaw	Ray Maoundas
Belle Imhoff	Mohammed Saidy	Harleen Saraw	Alfie Biggle
Leyla Tek	Elijah Babatunde-Adewusi	Ellie Wynn	Hans Henriette
Emma Watson	Seno Meacham	Holly Earl	Treyvon Larbi
Jaida Apeku	Iahsiah Quaye-Sinclair	Lauren Taylor	Samuel Canova de Oliveira
Belle McLaren	Jackson Lang	Anabel Miorali-Linan	Maddox Dunning
McKinley Rodrigues-Gayle	Ruben Sharman	Sofia Finlayson-Green	Olly Baverstock

Mr O'Brien



Sport Continued...

Under 16s Boys Football

The Under 16s boys football team progress into the next round of the County Cup beating Peacehaven Community School 4 - 2. Player of the match was Callum Erskine after scoring and assisting in 2 goals.

The Under 16s Basketball team beat Ifield Community College 56 - 44. Man Of the Match was Joel Johnson-Cole.

Players Top Row (left to right)

Gabriel Sebide, Joel Johnson-Cole, Subhaan Tanveer Ahmed, Samuel Thuo, Olek Minorowski, Ibraheem Marzook

Players Front Row (left to right)

Noah Antoine, Callum Erskine, Lenny Hards, Sebastian Dealhoy

Mr Bagnall



Under 16s Boys Rugby

Hazelwick Under 16s boys Rugby team beat St. Wilfrid's Catholic School 33 - 0.

Joel Johnson-Cole (2), Jack Dealhoy, Brodie Ryrie-Smith and George Frost were the point scorers.

Mr Bagnall

Team:

Joel Johnson-Cole, George Frost, Nawwaf Khan, Thomas Lunn, Zohaib Khan, Charlie Gasson, William Bourne, Samrahn Paterson, Jack Dealhoy, Valentine Oparah, Miguel Pinca, Billy Powis, Louis Ricketts, Dylan Roberts, Jake Robins, Brodie Ryrie-Smith, Aws Sawan



Sport Continued...

Year 7 Rugby - Tuesday 6th February

Hazelwick School 2 tries Oriel High School 4 tries

Year 7 Hazelwick students played hard and tried their best, most of them had never played rugby before so their performance was amazing. The match consisted of 12 boys a five man scrum and a referee in a full contact match for one hour. The score at the end was 4 tries to 2. Sadly we lost but we gained knowledge, experience and memories that will last a life time.

Our next game is against St. Wilfrid's Catholic School and as Captain, I would like to see more passing and technical play introduced into our game.

Really well done boys, good job!

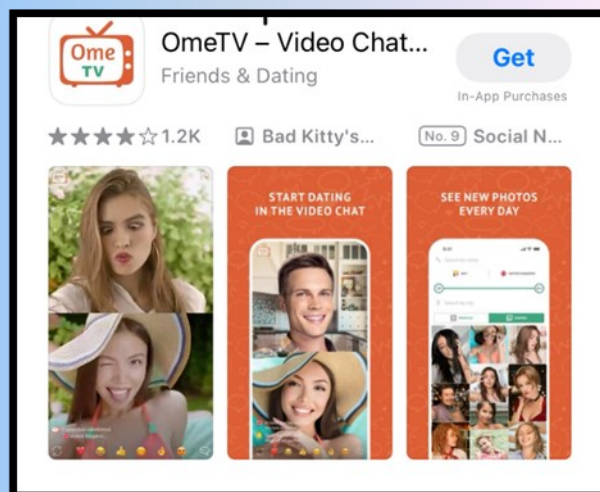
Match report written by Adam Chanakira (7EGA)



Spotlight on Safeguarding...

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

OMETV is an app, similar to the now defunct Omegle, in that it connects users to other users around the world. It is advertised as an app where people can make friends and date and users have options to search for people by age and gender. Means of communication on the app include sending direct messages, photos and a video chat service. Like Omegle, users on the video chat are connected randomly, which leaves children exposed to a number of dangers. Children using the app could be coaxed into doing something they are uncomfortable with, while unknowingly being filmed. This recording could then be used to be blackmailed with or kept by an online predator. Children using OMETV also run the risk of seeing people exposing themselves on webcams. While they can swipe to the next call quickly, they would have already been exposed to a disturbing sexual act. Unlike a number of social media apps, reporting is difficult as usernames are commonly hidden. There is a report abuse tab, which according to the National Online Safety organisation is not easy to use and there is little evidence that offenders are dealt with by having their account terminated for example.



National Online Safety advises parents that first and foremost the age recommendation for this app is 18 years of age, so access should be restricted for young users. This should be done as part of a broader conversation on the dangers of using video chat apps such as OMETV. Children need to know that these apps are popular with groomers to network, create inappropriate content and expose themselves. They also need to know how to report criminal acts by groomers by reporting through the CEOP safety centre (CEOP - Child Exploitation Online Protection – see link below).

Maintaining communication with children is advised as opposed to just going ahead and deleting apps without a discussion with the child first as this can cause resentment. Using parental controls is vital as you can protect children better when they are online and it is also important that in-app purchases are not enabled as many apps, OMETV included, offer in-app purchases.

Mr Harman

Where to get further information and support:

- **Safer Schools**
[Free Online Safety Guide | OmeTV \(nationalcollege.com\)](#)
- **CEOP**
[CEOP Safety Centre](#)

Let's talk: Community safety

Thursday 7 March, 6pm to 8pm
Town Hall, Crawley

Join us for an engaging discussion with Crawley Borough Council, Sussex Police and West Sussex County Council, plus a special guest sharing their real experiences with exploitation and gangs and performances by young people from Crawley.

Please confirm your attendance by emailing
communitydevelopment@crawley.gov.uk



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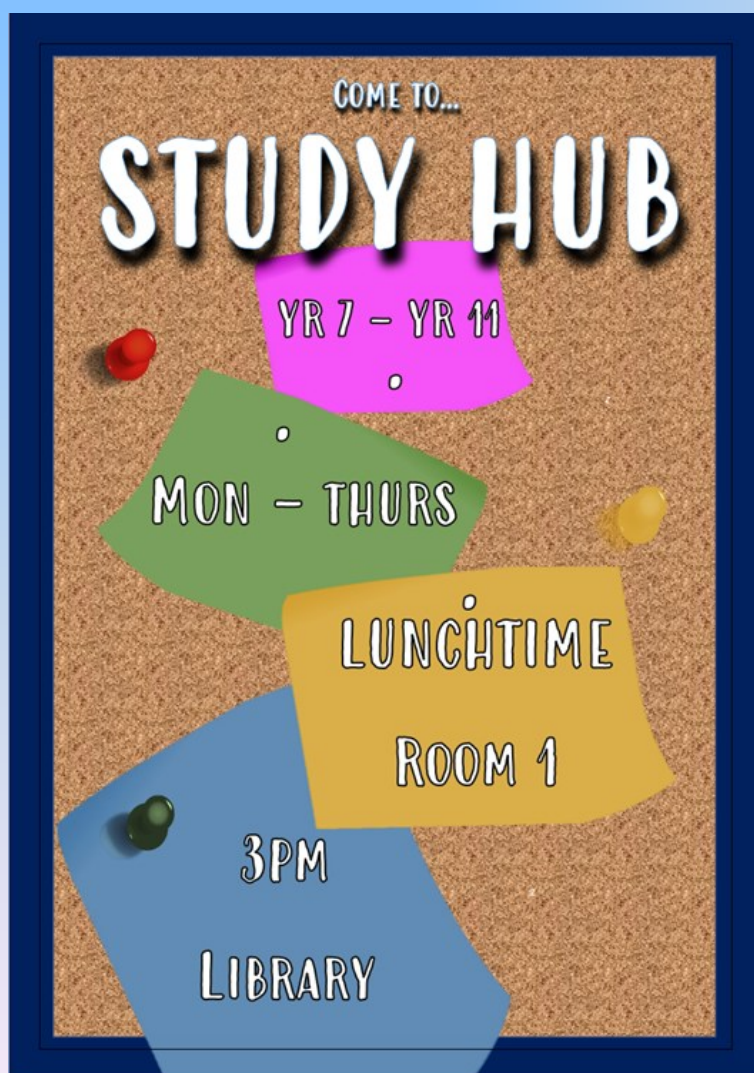
Follow us on our Twitter account @HazelwickSchool for reminders of key dates and details of important events.

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

Homework & Revision Clubs



Study Hub

Years 7-11

supervised study at
lunchtime and 3-4 pm
after school.

No need to book, simply
turn up when you need
help.

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