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# Hazelwick School Newsletter

July 2024

## Dates for your Diary:

Thu 15th Aug:  
A-level Results Day

Thurs 22nd Aug:  
GCSE Results Day

Fri 23rd Aug:  
Year 11 going into Year 12  
Post-results advice day

Tue 3rd Sept:  
Year 12 Enrolment, 8.30am

Wed 4th Sept:  
Year 7 First day

Thu 5th Sept:  
Start of term - Week 1

Tue 10th Sept:  
Year 7 Introductory Meeting  
for Parents/Carers

Wed 11th Sept:  
Year 11 Parents'/Carers'  
Information Evening

Wed 18th Sept:  
Primary School Open  
Evening - school closed from  
12.20pm

Thu 26th Sept:  
Year 12 Parents'/Carers'  
Information Evening

## Headlines

Ms A Fearon, Headteacher

at Hazelwick, we offer our students amazing opportunities, including the chance to participate in extra-curricular sport, drama, art, science and technology and visits, both in this country and abroad. Visitors to our school, and people encountered on trips and activities outside school, frequently make immensely positive comments about the attitude and behaviour of our students; they really are a credit to our school.

Welcome to the final Newsletter of the academic year which, once again, is full of information about the wide range of activities in which our school community engages. Here



Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 students have participated in Sports Day on our wonderfully well-maintained school fields. They were great days of sporting competition, camaraderie and fun.



Congratulations to all students who took part and thank you to the P.E. department for the superb organisation of the day.

The last few weeks have also seen a number of celebration events where student achievement has been recognised and acclaimed. Our Achievement Awards Evenings at school have been enjoyed by parents, carers, students and staff alike.



Year 7 Maths Winners



Year 8 German Winners



Year 9 Business Studies  
Winners



Year 10 History Winners

We say goodbye to a number of teaching staff at the end of this term: Mr Moller (Computer Science/IT), Mrs Awbery (Design Technology), Mr Devlin (History), Mrs Olaniran (English), Mrs Chaudhary (Science), Mrs Garcia-Troy (Maths), Miss Harris (Science), Mr Horn (Maths), Mr Jose (English), Ms Purnell (English), Mr Vaughn (Science), Miss Barker (Science Technician), Miss Ismail (Learning Support Assistant), Mr Jeyakody (Learning Support Assistant) and Miss Burke (Communication Support Assistant). We extend our warmest thanks to all for their service to our school and wish them all the best for the future.

I take this opportunity to send my very best wishes to all our students who are moving on to new challenges in the future and hope that every member of our community has a very enjoyable summer break.

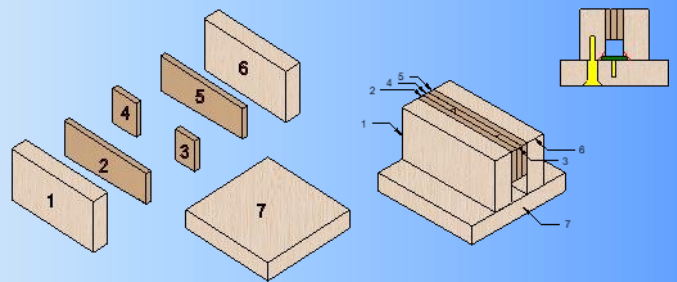
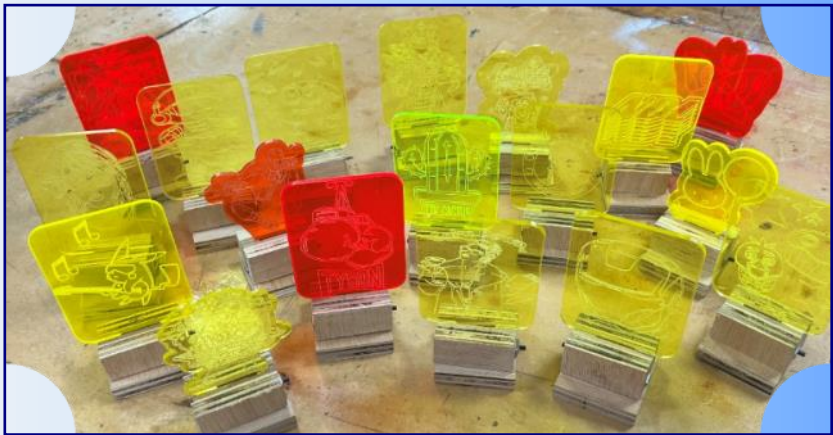
All good wishes



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

## YEAR 7

Year 7 have been exploring light this term creating their own mood lights. They have explored a range of contexts and reasons we use light, for example, providing a calm glow whilst a young child is going to sleep, lighting in a restaurant or using light during festivals. Each student created their own laser engraved design using the computer aided design program Techsoft. These were then laser cut and engraved on light gathering acrylic which glows brightly when the light is turned on. Students used their wood working skills to accurately cut, drill and assemble the base, whilst also learning about the electronic components. The students have produced some triumphant outcomes with a wide range of design ideas.





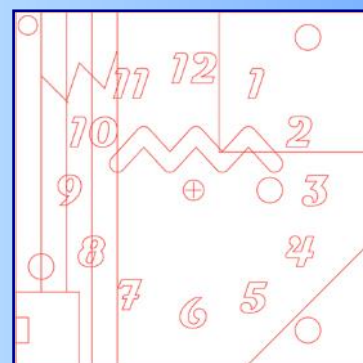
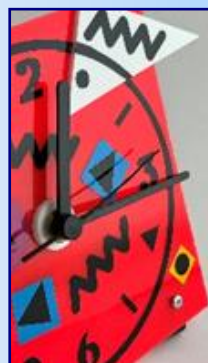
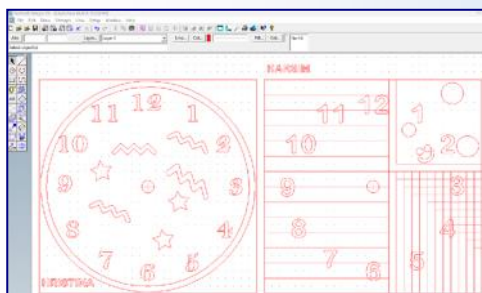
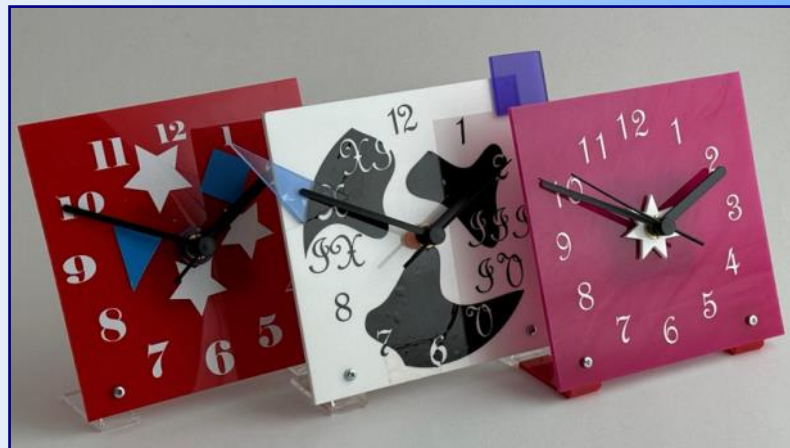
# News, Events & Activities from the Design Technology Department Continued...

## YEAR 8

Our Year 8 Design & Technology students have been researching design movements, such as Memphis to inspire their ideas for a free-standing clock. Students prototyped their designs and used CAD to produce their clock face layouts. They used hand tools to cut, shape and finish the edges of their acrylic pieces, as well as processes including vinyl cutting, line bending using the strip heater and laser cutting.

This concludes their year in the subject.

Well done Year 8! They look fabulous!





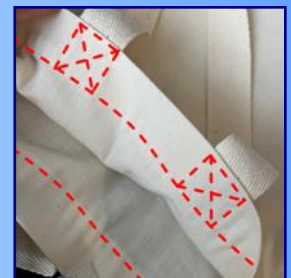
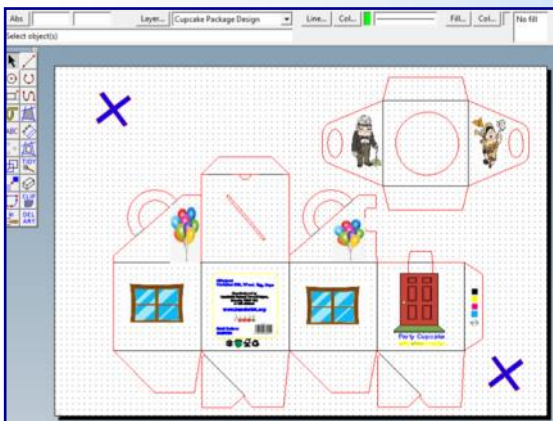
# News, Events & Activities from the Design Technology Department Continued...

## YEAR 9

Year 9 Design and Technology students have been focusing on designing Disney-inspired events this half term, with posters to advertise the event, tickets for the guests to get into the event (with security features) and souvenir tote bags and cupcake boxes for guests to take home after the event.

This project explored a wide range of skills from hand sewing French seams to make their tote bags, using graphic design software, creating 3D nets for the laser cutter, heat pressing designs onto their bags, and keeping a consistent theme throughout, putting colour theory into practice.

The students have created some superb creative items.

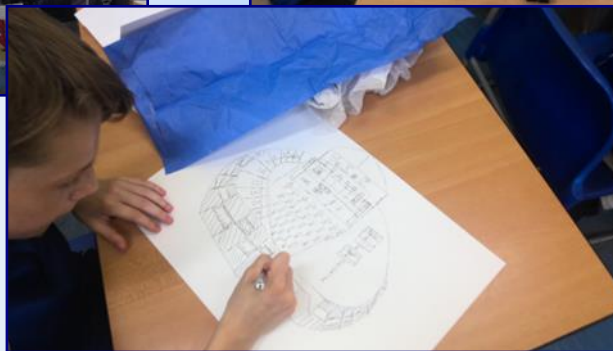
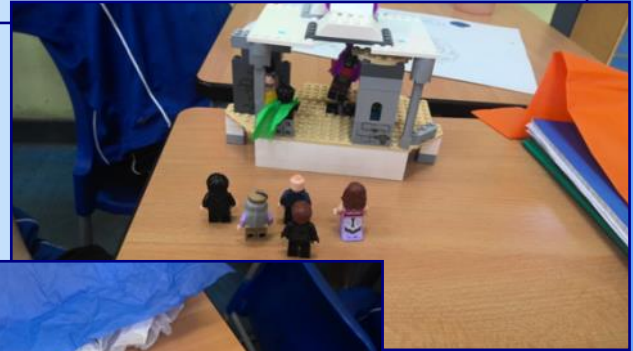




# News, Events & Activities from the English Department...

This term, Year 7 have been showing their understanding of Shakespeare's theatre by making The Globe and masks for Shakespeare's characters inspired by the Commedia dell'arte.

Miss Bansal



## Book Buddies Review – July 2024

At Hazelwick, we are always seeking ways in which to improve students' enjoyment and attainment, and with this in mind, we took a group of Year 7 students and Year 8 Reading Ambassadors on a visit to Crawley Library. The students had been meeting together regularly during this half term to enjoy reading together as studies have shown that reading for pleasure can promote health and wellbeing, as well as improve our confidence and self-esteem.

On the day of the trip, we met in our amazing school library for a celebration breakfast, where Ms Fearon presented the students with a reading book and a certificate to congratulate them on completing the course.

Then, following a tour of Crawley Library, including a sneak peek at what happens behind the scenes and finding out about the different roles of library staff, the students had fun completing a quiz where they had to try to identify pictures of well-known story book characters. The winners were allowed to choose a book of their choice. It was lovely to see the students developing their reading skills whilst enjoying being together.

Mrs Stewart



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

## Year 10

### Food and Nutrition mock practical assessments

During their 3-hour practical exam, students are asked to prepare and cook 3 dishes in response to a selection of briefs set by the exam board. This year as part of their mock, they chose between 'Asian Cuisine' and 'Teenage Nutrition.' It was great to see some students taking on challenging recipes and executing them to a high standard! All cooked from scratch!



## Year 10

Last week, our Year 10 students were able to use their knife skills and get creative with some presentation and garnishing techniques. This practice will help them in their practical assessment next year and arm them with industry specific skills should they choose such a route.





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

## Year 7

Year 7 have been busy making layered pasta salads this term. Students were being creative with their combinations of different food groups, adding protein, vegetables and fat (in the form of a dressing) to their carbohydrates (pasta). Don't they just look great?

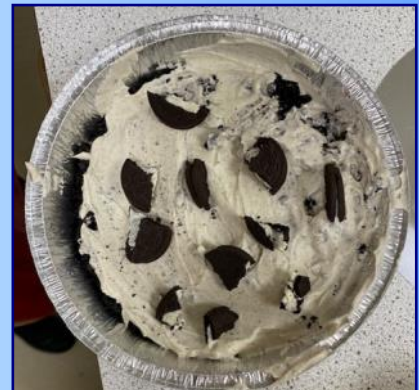
This is an easy and healthy dish that students can adapt and make at home. Perhaps even as part of a healthy packed lunch – just swap the glass jar for a non-breakable container.



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

## Year 8

Year 8 have been making cheesecake this term with some fantastic results. Students were able to choose their own topping with a lovely mango cheesecake made by Shaima Rahman. Everybody enjoyed making these, although the trick is to not disturb the crumbly mixture that forms the base. Patience and a gentle touch are necessary. This is a non-bake cheesecake that can be assembled quickly and just needs to set in the fridge for a while. An indulgent, occasional treat. Swap the cream cheese for a low fat version and reduce the sugar content by adding fruit for a healthier version.



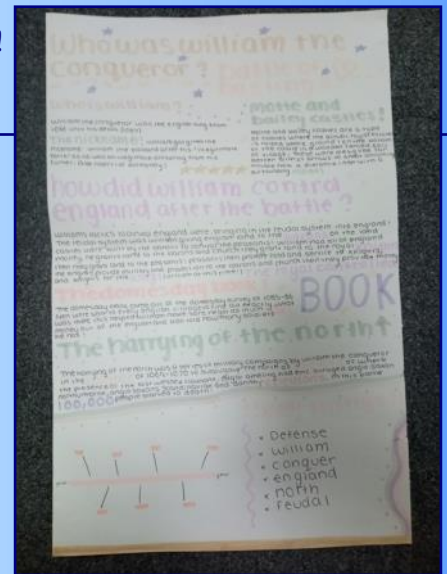
# News, Events & Activities from the History Department..

We are almost at the end of another school year but students are still working hard and completing amazing work in their history lessons. The attached work is from Year 7 who completed some fantastic summary/revision work based on their studies this year and Year 8 who created some brilliant Anne Frank projects during their Holocaust topic.

We are really looking forward to welcoming our students back in September where the new Year 8's will start by studying slavery, Year 9 will begin their GCSE studies with the American West, Year 10 will be continuing with Elizabethan England and Year 11 will finish Crime and Punishment and begin their studies of the USA: conflict at home and abroad.

Best wishes to everyone for a lovely summer from the History Department!

Mrs Barton



## EPQ

Mrs Comer and Mrs Thornton took this years EPQ cohort on a trip to the University of Sussex Library. The Extended Project Qualification enables students within the Sixth Form to lead a project on a topic of their choosing. They conduct their own research and produce a written report, artefact or production.

The EPQ allows students to extend and develop their skills and abilities beyond their A Level studies and helps to prepare them for university and the workplace. Students had an informative and (despite the best efforts of the weather) enjoyable day learning how to use an academic library, starting to conduct their research into their chosen area of study and exploring a university campus.

Mrs Comer



# News, Events & Activities from the MFL Department...

## Year 8 Paris Trip (21st-24th June)

### Ma visite à Paris

Vendredi matin nous sommes arrivées en France en ferry à 12h00. Nous sommes ensuite arrivés à l'hôtel en autocar à 19h. Après avoir dîné à l'hôtel, nous sommes allés nous coucher.

Samedi, nous sommes allés au Louvre à 10h30. Le Louvre était très grand et très beau. J'ai aussi pris des photos de la Joconde qui était très petite ! Ensuite, nous avons vu Notre-Dame, l'Arc de Triomphe, et la Tour Eiffel. C'était très cool et beau. Nous avons ensuite dîné dans un restaurant à 19h30 avant de faire un tour en bateau-mouche le soir.

Dimanche, nous sommes allés dans un parc d'attractions qui s'appelle Parc Asterix à 10h et sommes partis à 17h. A mon avis c'était passionnant mais effrayant. Après cela, nous sommes allés manger dans un restaurant local à 17h30. La nourriture était délicieuse. Nous sommes ensuite retournés à l'hôtel vers 19 heures.

Lundi, nous avons visité Le Sacré Cœur à 11h30 où nous avons ensuite acheté des souvenirs. C'était un voyage scolaire amusant et intéressant !

*On Friday morning we arrived in France by ferry at 12:00pm. We then arrived at the hotel by coach at 7pm. After having dinner at the hotel, we went to bed. On Saturday, we went to the Louvre at 10:30am. The Louvre was very large and very beautiful. I also took pictures of the Mona Lisa which was very small! Then, we saw Notre Dame, the Arc de Triomphe, and the Eiffel Tower. It was very cool and beautiful. We then had dinner in a restaurant at 7:30pm before taking a boat ride in the evening. On Sunday, we went to an amusement park called Parc Asterix at 10:00am and left at 5pm. In my opinion it was exciting but scary. After that, we went to eat at a local restaurant at 5:30 pm. The food was delicious. We then returned to the hotel around 7:00pm. On Monday, we visited Sacré Coeur at 11:30am where we then bought souvenirs. It was a fun and interesting school trip!*



Chloe Best - 8SOX





# News, Events & Activities from the MFL Department Continued...



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## French School Visit

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 52 students and their teachers from the Collège Alberto Giacometti in Versailles, Paris, called in to spend a morning with us during their week-long visit to the UK.

Some of our Year 9 French students welcomed them in the canteen with a few refreshments, before our Year 10 students took over to give them a tour of the school site and play a few speaking games so that both languages could be practised. After break, the French students were paired with a partner from Year 7 or 8, who enthusiastically took them along to their next lesson, so that the French students could experience a typical lesson in a British school.

The morning was over far too quickly, as the French school had to leave us after lunch in order to continue their organised visits in Sussex and London, but it was great fun and an excellent experience for everyone involved.

The teachers and students from Collège Giacometti were very impressed with Hazelwick – the site, the staff and of course our wonderful students! Bravo and merci beaucoup to all the students and teachers who helped out!

Mrs May



# News, Events & Activities from the Science Department...

## Biology Challenge and Biology Olympiad

On the 15<sup>th</sup> May and the 5<sup>th</sup> June 14 Year 10 and 17 Year 12 students took part in the Biology Challenge and Biology Olympiad.

These are both run by UK Biology competitions and are open to 13 to 17 year olds. The Biology Challenge consists of two 25 minute papers and the Olympiad one hour long paper testing them on their Biology knowledge.

With 47371 students taking part worldwide – we again had two students, Aidan Young and Shrey Mathur that managed to get into the top 5% and gain the highest gold award. In the Olympiad, 15113 students took part, and one student, Anju Thangavelu, got into the top 10% to gain a silver award.

Well done to everyone that took part!

Mrs Bowen



# News, Events & Activities from the Sixth Form Team...

## Year 12 residential trip to the University of Exeter 2024

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 106 Year 12 students made their way via a convoy of minibuses to the University of Exeter. This 5 day trip enabled students to explore both the University of Exeter and the University of Plymouth campuses. They started to seriously think about the UCAS process and higher education institutions, and had fantastic opportunities to speak to student ambassadors, as well as do activities to get outside of their comfort zone!

Students were given a talk by some of the admission teams and student ambassadors on life at the University of Exeter. The lecture halls gave students a feel for higher education, and learnt in detail about the UCAS application process, as well as being given the opportunity to ask students questions about life at university. Similarly, at the University of Plymouth, students were given a talk about application processes and the support offered from the university on results day. They were also given a handy talk about student finance, and how to fund your time at university as well. They were lucky enough to receive tours around the University of Plymouth as well by their student ambassadors!



There were several opportunities to visit new places and broaden their horizons on cultural experiences. On the way to Exeter, all students stopped off at the Stonehenge English Heritage site, and enjoyed a blustery walk to the stones. Students throughout the week were offered opportunities to go to Powderham Castle, Buckfast Abbey, the Aquarium, visit a prison or go exploring in caves. Students found these activities engaging, and enabled them to see sites beyond their normal interests.

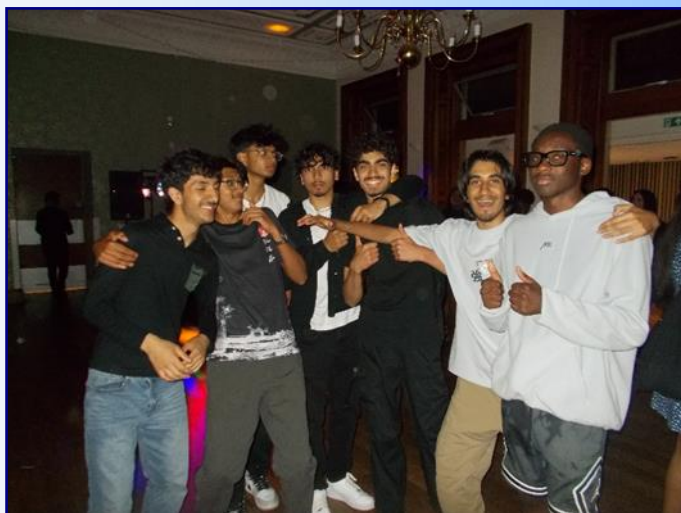


## News, Events & Activities from the Sixth Form Team Continued...

Students were also involved in walking across the moors at Dartmoor, either hiking across Haytor or ambling through Bennett's Cross. They were led by guides, who shared their expert knowledge of the history of the moors, retelling the myths and legends. Other activities that they engaged with were coasteering, where they jumped off cliffs into water, or rock scrambling across small cliff edges. Students came back from these trips very enthusiastic about the new skills they had learned.



Lastly, students let their hair down at Crealy Adventure Park where they let off some steam on rollercoasters and drop slides. This was followed by a staff v student 'Stuck in the Mud' game in the playzone area. Both sides were incredibly competitive, with the students just edging out the win! On the final night, students had a BBQ and games night where they competed in treasure hunts within their minibus group and ate some delicious food. They ended their trip with a groovy boogie on the dance floor - where staff and students threw their best shapes!





# News, Events & Activities from the Sixth Form Team Continued...

Overall it was a fantastic trip with new experiences, educational opportunities and a beginner taste into higher education. We look forward to seeing Year 12 in September where we will begin the UCAS process fully.



Miss Hammans and the Sixth Form Team

# News, Events & Activities from the Sixth Form Team Continued...

## Year 13 Leavers Ball 2024

After 2 years of hard work and superb effort, Year 13 had their Leavers' Ball on Monday 24th June, at Stanhill Court Hotel. In a superb party atmosphere, it was an opportunity for the students to celebrate the end of their time at Hazelwick School.

Looking like they'd come straight from the catwalk, the students enjoyed an excellent 3 course meal, got to stroll around the beautiful grounds and finally groove away to club classics on the dancefloor. It was such a wonderful evening; a great time was had by all.

We would like to wish all of our Year 13 students the very best of luck for the future, whatever path they take.

Miss Hammans and the Sixth Form Team





# Annie The Musical..

The stage lights are turned off and the microphones are back in their boxes, but the buzz of excitement about the school musical is still palpable around the school site. The show was an incredible success, with performances to over 700 audience members, including two of our local primary schools.

We have had a flurry of congratulatory emails from audience members and we are so proud of our cast, crew and band for performing such high-quality work!

Here are just a few of the comments received:

“..It was such a high standard and very motivating for our children who are currently rehearsing for our performance” – Ms Norfolk and the Year 6 Team at Three Bridges Primary School.

“The quality of the performances was extremely high; great acting, fabulous singing, wonderful dancing, and the band was superb” – Ms Fearon, Headteacher.

“This school has so much talent, both within the staff and the students. It makes me so proud to be a member of this school and privileged to be in the audience.” – Mrs Humpries, PPI Mentor.

“I was blown away by the production last night and my 8-year-old was mesmerised and inspired to take to the stage in the future.” – Mrs Macgregor – Head of Psychology.

Mr Bayliss and Ms Grubb



Ivy Brown in 7DLO as Annie



Billy Luxford as Oliver 'Daddy' Warbucks



L-R Emma Watson, Hope O'Neill



L-R Ella Simpson, Zara Howe, Nevaeh Evans, Vaishalee Thewaraj, Evie Hayes, Melody Peres, Abigail Smith, Grace Adam, Freya Wheatley, Lucy Jellicoe, Dara Meenaghan, Isabelle Emmans, Bella Aiken



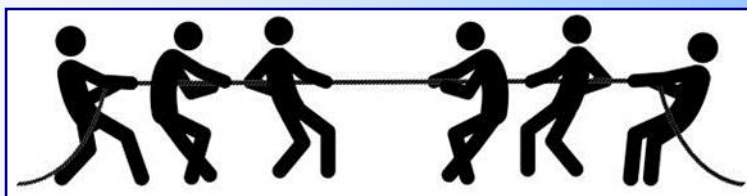
# House News...

As we approach the end of the school year, we have many things to celebrate in the House System. Through the exciting events that have happened across the year, hundreds of thousands of points (literally!) have been earned. We finished the year with the Sports Days, which were a huge amount of fun, and helped to finalise the house points table.



## Tug of War

This year we introduced a new house competition that got the students ready and excited for Sports Day: House Tug of War! This was an incredibly successful event, with huge numbers of Year 7 and Year 8 students turning up at lunchtime to compete against the other houses. This was a brilliant event, finished off with a teacher Tug of War between Miss Palmer and Miss Pearson!



The results for this competition were as follows:

<b>Winton:</b>	<b>2000</b>	Congratulations to Winton who managed to take the lead on this one! They won their match in the shortest time – only 6.57 seconds!
<b>Fry:</b>	<b>1500</b>	
<b>Turing:</b>	<b>1000</b>	Well done to all who took part.
<b>Duleep Singh:</b>	<b>750</b>	
<b>Equiano:</b>	<b>500</b>	
<b>Seacole:</b>	<b>250</b>	

## Sports Day

The tensions and temperatures were high as Sports Day approached. House point totals were constantly changing, and it was all to play (or to run) for! It was a joy to see students representing our Hazelwick ethos of 'Effort achieves' as every participant, regardless of their event or their overall place, earned their House points.

All students should be incredibly proud of their contributions to the day but especially those in Winton and Fry house. Winton House really put the 'Win' into 'Winton' by winning three out of the four Sports Days with Fry coming in first for the remaining Sports Day.

Well done, Winton and Fry!



# House News Continued...

And the overall winner is...



















Climbing the ranks this year, Winton have managed to maintain a strong lead and stay on top. From getting achievement points in lessons to earning house points at events, Winton House stayed positive and have truly deserved their spot at the top. Seacole were hot on their heels, and it was a very close race, especially at the end of the year.

Although Winton are the winners this year, every student at Hazelwick should be incredibly proud of themselves, especially if they came to events and helped their house earn more points.

Miss Palmer and Miss Pearson

## Final House Points Total 2023/24

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# Careers Café...

In this section of the newsletter, we bring students, parents and carers information on careers and the world of work. There has been a huge amount of activity within careers this month, and we would like to thank all the employers, education providers and people involved in making these opportunities possible for our students.

## Rolls Royce Solutions UK Workplace Visit

We were fortunate to be able to take a group of Year 10 students on a workplace visit to visit Rolls Royce UK at their premises in East Grinstead. During their visit, students saw the training facilities where they were able to have a go at completing a torque sequencing exercise to experience first-hand what it feels to be an Engineer at Rolls-Royce Solutions UK. The students heard a short presentation about the organisation and how different areas of the business operate. They visited the logistics, production and office spaces and learnt about the career opportunities available. It was a great experience for these students, and we hope to be able to strengthen our links with this business to offer more students the opportunity in the future.





# Careers Café Continued...

## Steve Willis Gas, Heating and Renewables Workshop

Steve Willis Training Centres ran two workshops with Year 10 students to introduce them to careers within gas, heating, plumbing and renewables. The sessions were very hands on, and all the students did a fantastic job on the task. It was brilliant to see them working so well together and problem solving to complete the challenge. Students also received a short presentation to give them labour market information on careers in the industry and had the opportunity to ask questions. For those interested in finding out more, Steve Willis have announced the dates for their upcoming information sessions. Please see the flyer for details.



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TUESDAY 18th FEBRUARY - 4:00PM - 7:00PM

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## NCS Update

Following our awareness assembly and encouragement from Head of Year 11 and Year 11 form teachers, we are delighted that Hazelwick has received a Gold Award as the school with the most sign ups for NCS out of all West Sussex! Well done, and we hope all the students involved find it a brilliant experience, developing skills and experiences that will stand them in good stead as they move into the world of work.

[Find a programme | NCS \(wearencs.com\)](https://www.wearencs.com)

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Champion School 2023/24

**NCS**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY

**Hazelwick School**

**Gold award**

IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING NCS INVOLVEMENT

Signed   
Rt. Hon. Rishi Sunak MP Prime Minister

Date: 19/06/2024

# Careers Café Continued...

## Careers Fair 2024

The second annual Hazelwick School Careers Fair took place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024. We were delighted to welcome a wide variety of exhibitors including employers, education providers, universities, and even some alumni. Students in Years 8,9,10 and 12 attended the fair during the day and took great advantage of the opportunity to meaningfully engage and ask questions. Thank you to everyone who supported this brilliant event in our stable careers programme.

Here are some student reviews:

“I think it was very enjoyable and gave me loads more information I didn’t already know. Overall, the careers fair was brilliant.”

“I think that the careers fair was very helpful as it gives an insight on possible future jobs and careers that I may want to pursue. My personal experience was with the army and although I may not join the army it is still good to explore possible options and is an all round positive and helpful thing to have.”

“The careers event was very useful and showed me many options of what I could do and be in the future. They were all friendly and overall, it was a very enjoyable useful event.”

Mrs Andrews





# Read On!

## Keep Reading!

As we approach the end of the academic term, I thought I would share some resources and tips to keep the reading habit going over the summer holidays. I also have some 'thank yous' to give.

Thank you to all the Hazelwick School Book Group members who have ensured our book discussions are never dull.

I would also like to thank all the DofE students who have kept the library shelves tidy as part of their volunteering activity.

Thanks to all the Hazelwick staff who have been guest reviewers, and please check out our final guest review from Mrs Jedamzik of a very moving non-fiction title.

## Reading Recommendations

### Hazelwick School Reading Lists:

We have shared a selection of our themed reading lists that have proved popular with students. Each list will give a mini-synopsis of the title or series and inform parents/carers if the book is aimed at teens, older teens, or an adult readership.

<https://www.hazelwick.org/teaching-and-learning/library>

### Bookfinder:

Designed by the reading charity Booktrust, their Bookfinder enables the reader to combine reading age with a theme. A detailed review of each recommended book is given, which includes the reading age and interest age. There are six different age bands to choose from, babies up to 12 years plus.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/bookfinder/>

### West Sussex County Council Public Library Service:

The 'Love Reading' section of the West Sussex County Council Public Library Service website has a selection of recommend reads, including their 'Fully Booked' video series where library staff share their favourite 'must reads.' There is a list of titles aimed to boost your mood, new crime series to try and books that explore neurodivergence in adults.

<https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/reading>

The website also lists a comprehensive list of book-related websites and links to literary awards. My favourite sites are 'Fantastic Fiction' which gives book series order and 'Whichbook' should you wish to choose books by mood and emotion.

<https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/websites-for-book-lovers>



# Read On Continued....

## Reading Zone:

Funded by Arts Council England, the 'Reading Zone' website aims to provide 'information about new and classic titles with expert advice to help you find the best children's books available.' In addition to book reviews, the site also has author biographies, with videoed interviews and vlogs.

<https://www.readingzone.com/young-adult/>

## Book Awards:

Book award shortlists make excellent reading lists and as there are several awards aimed at children and young people, I thought I would share the links to the major awards.

## Federation of Children's Book Groups

This is the only book award that I am aware of where only children get to vote! Illustrator Michael Foreman tops the most awards won with a total of five victories. The Federation also provide a range of resources, including reading lists that you may find useful.

<https://fcbg.org.uk/cba-home/>

## SLA Information Book Award 24

For non-fiction fans, this award, organised by the School Library Association, celebrates information books. The website gives some handy tips on the benefits of non-fiction reading which you may find useful.

<https://www.sla.org.uk/Services/Public/About-Us/Awards-Pages/Information-Book-Award.aspx>

## Excelsior Award

This is one of my personal favourite awards as it is devoted to graphic novels and manga. Aimed at young people aged nine to eighteen, the award is divided into four age-appropriate categories. Twenty graphic novels/ manga titles will be selected for the 2025 awards.

<https://www.excelsioraward.co.uk/>

## Yoto Carnegie Awards

As previously featured, the Yoto Carnegie Awards are divided into prizes, the Medal for Writing and the Medal for Illustration. The judging panels for both Medals are comprised of children's librarians. The judging process is also 'shadowed' by groups of young people across the country in reading groups in schools and public libraries.

<https://yotocarnegies.co.uk/>



# Read On Continued....

## Reluctant Readers

Booktrust have shared some of their tips to help parents/carers support children that may not enjoy or struggle with their reading.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/what-if-my-child-doesnt-like-reading/#!?!?q=&sortOption=MostRecent&pageNo=1>

Barrington Stoke publish a range of dyslexia-friendly titles and they aim to ensure that their books have “Unpatronizing content matched to the age of the reader, not their reading level.” The site also provides advice and resources for parents/carers.

<https://collins.co.uk/pages/parents-and-carers>

## Mrs Thornton’s Reading Challenges for the Holidays!

1. Try reading an information book for a change. There are some amazing non-fiction titles written for children and young people.
2. Try reading a novel written in free verse. Novels written in free verse typically have a third of the word count of a novel and the spacing and shaping provides a visual read.
3. Read a comic or hobby-themed magazine. Don’t forget that the Public Library provides some titles for free. <https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/-/libby>
4. Listen to an audio book – great for long journeys to holiday destinations or day trips! The WSSC website link above also provides access to free eAudiobooks and eBooks.
5. Set up your own family reading group – this could be a virtual group. Invite grandparents and other extended family members. You can all read the same book or have themed discussions.
6. Younger children could join in this year’s Summer Reading Challenge, ‘Marvellous Makers’. There are a number of games, activities and quizzes to complete, including the Reading Challenge. Since the Challenge was launched online on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2,078,088 books have been read nationwide.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Happy summer reading!

Mrs Thornton BA (Hons) MCLIP  
School Librarian

# Read On Continued....

## Guest Reviewer

**Our guest reviewer this month is:** Mrs Jedamzik

**Book Title:** The Saltpath

**Author:** Raynor Winn



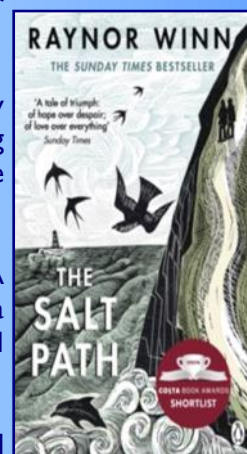
If you are looking for a life affirming and uplifting read this summer, then look no further than The Saltpath.

Although the story begins with a husband and wife losing not only their beloved family farm through no real fault of their own, we also learn of the husband's devastating diagnosis with a terminal illness. Homeless, jobless and penniless, they embark on the journey of a lifetime, literally and figuratively.

The couple set out to walk the famous Southwest Coastal path whilst wild camping. A journey of 640 miles which, despite its many challenges, also enables the couple to find a new zest for life albeit a rather different than expected life without many of the material comforts that one gets accustomed to.

You will be inspired not only by their human spirit but also by the vividly described landscape of the beautiful south west coast of England.

Enjoy!



## Student News...

Leyla Tek from 7LMU was scouted by Brighton and Hove Football Academy. After a 6-week trial with the club, she has been offered a contract with the Under-13 team for next season. She has also been selected for both the under 13s and under 14s district team.

We are very proud of her and look forward to following her matches next season.

Heads of Year 7



# Sport...

## U15 Cricket

The U15s Cricket team remain unbeaten in the district league.

Results so far:

Hazelwick beat Oriel High School by 9 wickets. Louis Ricketts top scoring with 31 not out.

Hazelwick beat St Wilfrid's Catholic School by 90 runs. Om Patel top scoring with 44 runs not out.

Hazelwick beat Ifield Community College by 7 wickets. Kunaal Patel top scoring with 35 runs not out.

Mr Bagnall



## Hazelwick Sports Leaders have had a busy summer term!

The Hazelwick sports leaders have been extremely busy these past few months. Firstly, congratulations to the 23 Year 9's who completed their extracurricular course and assessment at Northgate Primary School. They passed with flying colours!

Since passing, they have been extremely busy. Year 9's have helped at the Hazelwick, Northgate and Milton Mount sports days. They also assisted at the gifted and talented afternoon we hosted for Year 5 and 6 students.

Year 10 have been equally busy. They have helped at the Hazelwick, Three Bridges and Milton Mount sports days, along with the Crawley area athletics trials. Throughout, I have been impressed with the students in both year groups. They have been punctual, organised, helpful, adaptable and hardworking.

Well done to all!

Mrs Reynolds



# Sport Continued...

## U13 Rounders

The U13 Rounders team have been playing in the Crawley league against all the other Crawley Schools. They have really grown as a team, with involvement from Year 7 and Year 8 students. Their final placement was second overall with 4 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. Our closest game was against Ifield Community College, with the winning  $\frac{1}{2}$  rounder on the last ball!

Fantastic result girls, you have been exceptional over the season and should feel very proud of yourselves!

Mrs McHugh

Holly Earl, Olivia-Grace Weaver, Maisie Reed, Lily Tullett, Holly Hughes, Keira Bradnam, Saanvi Shetty, Anabel Miorali-Linan, Leor Filipe, Sofia Finlayson-Green, Ava Creed, Jess Lock





# Sport Continued...

## U15 Rounders Team

The U15 Rounders team are unbeaten in the Crawley Area League this year. They have played and won against the following schools:

The Holy Trinity School 11 v 6.5  
 Ifield Community College 17 v 7.5  
 Oriel High School 13.5 v 12

All the games were highly competitive but our superior batting average, as well as some consistent fielding gained these victories. The narrow victory they achieved in such an excitingly close game against Oriel High School was the highlight.

Well done, to the whole team on a very successful season.

Miss Oxby



### Back Row

Zaynab Bashir, Vaidanshi Razdan, Karolina Szulc, Emily Hamshaw, Callie Goodbourn,

### Front Row

Evie Forrest, Inayah Hassan, Megan Taylor, Zara Howe, Mafalda Barros-Vieira

## Year 7 compete in Super Six Athletics event at Ifield Community College



Year 7 recently competed in the Super Six athletics event at Ifield Community College. This is a unique event where six girls and six boys must each compete in one track event, one field event and a relay. There were some brilliant athletics on display, and we placed third at the end of the event.

Pictured are the team with their medals.

Well done all.

Mrs Reynolds

Belle McLaren, Maicee Caprice, Phoebe Leveque-Boucary, Leyla Tek, Belle Imhoff, Lucy Bowles, Jude O'Neill, Lithesh Prabhu, George Piller, Harrison Pears, Mohammed Saidy and Elijah Babatunde Adewusi



# Sport Continued...

## Hazelwick Athletes Shine at the Sussex Schools Track and Field Championships

This year, a large number of Hazelwick students were selected to represent Crawley at the Sussex Schools Track and Field Championships. It was great to watch them compete against the best athletes from across the county and they did the school proud!

We had three champions on the day; Alice Cox in the inter girls steeplechase, Samuel Sprostranov in the senior boys 800m and Samuel Davis in the inter boys 800m.

Very well done to you all!

At the time of writing, Alice and Samuel are travelling to the English Schools Track and Field competition in Birmingham to represent Sussex.

Good luck!

Mrs Reynolds



Samuel Sprostranov



Alice Cox



Samuel Davis

## U15s Cricket

Hazelwick U15s boys remained unbeaten in the District league winning all 4 of their matches against Oriel High School, The Holy Trinity School, Ifield Community College, and St. Wilfrid's Catholic High School. Congratulations to all the boys that contributed over the season. The only game they did lose this season was to the eventual County Champions.

Mr Bagnall





# Town Sports...

## Town Sports July 2024

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July the school athletics team were successful in winning the town sports shield. This competition is the culmination of the North Sussex school athletics season. In the individual categories Hazelwick came 1<sup>st</sup> in the junior boys and second in the junior girls, inter boys and inter girls. The overall results were as follows:

- 1st Hazelwick - 1126 points
- 2nd St Wilfrid's Catholic School - 1056 points
- 3rd Ifield Community College - 1005 points
- 4th Oriel High School - 954 points
- 5th The Holy Trinity School - 632 points
- 6th Thomas Bennett Community College - 560 points
- 7th The Gatwick School - 235 points

We had 2 school records broken, Martyna Uminska in the discus (20.01m) and Hans Henriette in the 100m (12.10s).

The students gave absolutely everything in some very challenging conditions.

Well done Team Hazelwick!

Mr O'Brien





# Town Sports Continued...

Junior Girls	Junior Boys	Inter Girls	Inter Boys
Leyla Tek	Hans Henriette	Zara Howe	George Frost
Belle McLaren	Kai Jassi	Ava Clark	Zitelu Esiefiho
Lacey Mai-Reardon	Alfie Biggle	Gracie Baines	Oliver Davis
Belle Imhoff	Maddox Dunning	Hope O'Neill	Lucas Noel
Holly Earl	Zakariyyah Mughal	Jasmin Byrne	Ashraf Ramjean
Phoebe Leveque-Boucary	Ray Maoundus	Callie Goodbourn	Callum Jackson
Martyna Uminska	Alfie Lawrence	Vaidanshi Razdan	Irfan Ebadi
Annie Sones	Ibby Arif	Nicole Thompson	Joseph Buckle
Maicee Caprice	Oli Baverstock	Zoe Case	Shrey Mathur
Lucy Hamshaw	Jebrel Lewis-Oladith	Anna McLaren	Joseph Enock
Harleen Saraw	Samuel Canova de Oliveira	Evie Forrest	Joel Johnson-Cole
Anabel Miorali-Linan	Jude O'Neill	Emily Hamshaw	Hassan Moghul
Jess Lock	Adam Khan	Indiah Taylor	Patrick Orozco
Jaida Apeku	Luke Smith	Megan Byrne	Yohan Mamodesen
Tabitha Bradshaw	Kalvin Tichareva	Mafalda Vieira Barros	Rehaan Hussain
Eleanor Woods	Afonso Rodrigues	Avive Silner	Ryan Charman
Sofia Finlayson-Green	Declan Addy	Megan Taylor	Valentine Oparah
	Golden Okeke	Lena Szary	Sinowethu Matsebula
		Ella Lampey	Sonny Murphy
		Molly Brown	Jack Ward
		Holly Winton	Roman Khan
		Abigail Duffy	
		Inayah Hassan	





# Spotlight on Safeguarding...

**For your information this month, via the Newsletter, we are raising awareness of where to get support if needed during the summer holidays.**

The summer holidays is a time which offers a much needed break for young people to relax after the rigours of a school year. The six-week break offers young people a period where they try new things and have a positive reset before the next school year, however, for some young people it can be a less happy time. It could be loneliness when not seeing usual school friends, not coping without a routine or waiting for exam results. This in turn can cause more stress for parents/carers if their child is not happy.

Below are some support options for both young people and parents/carers to draw upon during the summer holidays.

## Young People

[Childline - Summer holidays | Childline](#)

Childline offers a range of advice and support options for young people from what to do if there are arguments at home, starting a relationship to creating a schedule to combat boredom. Childline can be contacted in a number of ways including email, phone, and 1-2-1 counsellor chat online - [Get Support | Childline](#)

[Young minds - How to Cope With Loneliness During the Summer Holidays | YoungMinds](#)

For young people who are struggling with loneliness, Young Minds offers advice on how to stay connected, keeping active and understanding that young people need a rest. There is also a number of other self-help topics to explore on their website including how young people can look after their mental health - [How to Look After Your Mental Health This Summer | YoungMinds](#)

## Parents/Carers

[Action for children - Surviving the summer holidays: Parent Talk offer their top tips for families this summer | Action For Children](#)

There are a number of useful tips on the Action for Children website for parents/carers ranging from free activity ideas to the financial help which is available for some families.

[Holiday activities and food programme - Holiday activities and food programme 2024 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

There is government support to help provide free childcare to low-income families and give the children healthy meals and enriching activities during the school holidays. Not all of the funding is allocated to children who received free school meals. Local authorities have discretion to use up to 15% of their funding to provide free or subsidised holiday club places for children who are not in receipt of benefits related free school meals but who the local authority believe could benefit.

For further details, contact - [HAF@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@westsussex.gov.uk)



## Where to get further information and support:

- **Family Fund – Helping disabled children**  
[Accessible days out and tips for families this summer - Family Fund](#)
- **CBBC – Best summer time activities for kids 2024**  
[Best summer activities ideas for kids in 2024 - CBBC - BBC](#)



STUDENTS IN RECEIPT OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS FREE CLUB



Week 1 - 29th July - 2nd August  
Week 2 - 5th August - 9th August



**AGES: 4-16**

**9AM-3PM**  
KS1 & KS2

Crawley Youth and Community Centre:  
St Georges Court,  
Longmere Rd,  
Crawley RH10 8ND

**Activities Include:**

- Arts and Crafts
- Dance
- Boxing
- Multi-sports
- Nutrition
- Story Time
- Hot Meal Provided



***Paid placements available***

<https://westsussex.council.bookingbug.com/>





## Hazelwick Twitter Account



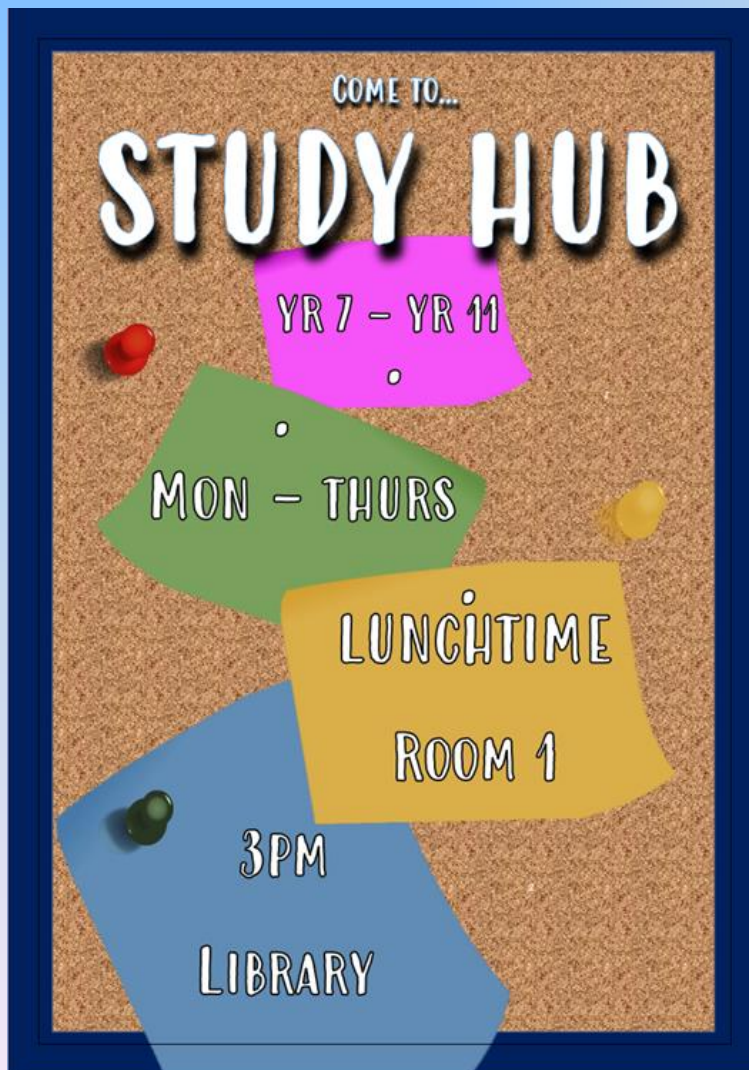
Follow us on our Twitter account @HazelwickSchool for reminders of key dates and details of important events.

## 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](mailto: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 4.30pm – Supervised study in the Octagon.