# The Nutshell



The Chapel Choir, in preparation for their Easter holiday visit to the International Music Festival being held in Verona, have been working incredibly hard over the past few weeks, rehearsing and finding strategies to overcome their not inconsiderable nerves. They have really impressed me with their focus and their commitment and the improvement they have made is quite awe-inspiring. If they perform to the best of their ability, they will blow the judges away and whilst the incredibly tough rigours of the competition may mean that we do not come home with a gold medal (or any medal at all), they will have done the school and the Music Department very proud. It is their love of singing, and their joy of singing in a tightly knit group that is the most inspiring thing of all. You cannot teach this. It comes from within and is a true talent. This week they sang to their parents at a special lunchtime concert and yesterday they visited the Nursery to sing to 120 children under the age of 5 vears who sat through the short programme spellbound by the music and the movement. The Chapel Choir will get to sing in some amazing venues in which world-wide opera stars have raised the roof and, on their day trip away from competition, may even get the gondoliers reaching for their ice creams with a spot of impromptu performance in Venice. For me, the progress they have made has already won them the competition. Let's see what the Festival adjudicators think!





Continuing the Italian theme, it was the turn of Year 4 this week to don the costumes and adopt the manners of the Italians' ancient ancestors, the Romans. In a day blessed with brilliant sunshine, Mr MacDougall, Miss Parr, Mr Kemp and Mrs Hood masterminded a day of learning and activity in and around the Baily Building.





Congratulations to Freya D and Phoebe H who both received news this news of their success in recent singing exams. Freya received a distinction for her Grade 4 with Phoebe picking up a 'Super Merit' for her Grade 2 exam. Well done girls!

In the foundry, shields were forged and decorated ready for battle drill and in the villa's Dining Hall a special lunch was laid out for the array of ravenous gods, goddesses, soldiers, gladiators and men and women of Rome to enjoy. The costumes were, the best yet with Mr Kemp showing off his knees in a rather short, but nonetheless fetching, toga! I was particularly impressed with the children who came as the Roman gods and goddesses. During my brief time in the car park at drop off I recognised Diana, the Goddess of Hunting, Jupiter, the Father of Gods, Neptune the God of the Sea and Venus, the Goddess of Love. Thank you to everyone who embraced the spirit of the day so well. *Veni, Vidi, Vici* sixty times over!



This week my long-awaited and much anticipated Lupercus landed on my desk with the biggest thump of all recent editions. Immediately it brought back fond memories of a year in which we watched the Baily Building rise from a most enormous hole in the ground. I took delight in re-reading, and reading for the first time, the children's creative writing and activity reports.



Across its 100 pages, Lupercus reminds us of the depth and breadth of life at Hazelwood. captures the delight with which staff and pupils alike embrace all aspects of the curriculum and how. from somewhere, we all pack so much into one fleeting academic year. The double front cover floored me for a moment until I realised that the cover with the Bailv Building image proudly

displayed on it, seemingly printed upside down, needed a 180-degree twist before the start of the new academic year was chronicled in words and pictures. Copies have been sent home to all families from Oak to Year 8, and to our Year 8 leavers whose last year at Hazelwood features prominently. I trust that these, by now, have made it back safely and

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that you will find time, over the restful Easter holidays, to enjoy a trip down Memory Lane. Additional copies can be requested from bursar@hazelwoodschool.com

And finally, the children at the Nursery and in Chestnut were very excited when the Easter Bunny came to visit leaving behind chocolate eggs for them to enjoy. I hope that the smiles on their faces continue to beam throughout the Easter Holidays and that their appetites for chocolate are suitably satiated, all in the spirit of healthy eating! Have a very Happy Easter!



For a list of emails/letters/texts sent home each week please see the 'Notice Board' further down the Nutshell.

## News from The Nursery & Early Years

The Easter Bunny has been very busy at HNEY this week with Easter egg hunts and Easter activities across the site. Who knew that hunting for eggs could be so beneficial for the children's counting and adding skills! The children enjoyed listening to the Verona Choir singing on Thursday, when Mrs Louw brought her choir down to HNEY for a short performance and a sing along session accompanied by some very talented musicians from the main site. Jona the lamb made a visit to the nursery and, much like his sister, was a very welcome addition to the HNEY gang.



Fledglings 1 have continued to look at the 'Down by the Cool of the Pool' book and have been singing a variety of frog and counting songs. They have spent lots of time enjoying the

warmer, drier weather in the garden and have been making cotton wool clouds for their night and day board.

The children of Fledglings 2 have been making Easter cards, planting more cress and watching the last batch grow, creating animal masks and enjoying lots of garden play on their decking.

Top Robins have been on a Bear Hunt and listened to the Bear Hunt story in the Wigloo outside in the garden. The children have enjoyed mud painting and creating pictures using nature as well as going on a colour hunt around the HNEY site.

Bottom Robins have continued to look at dinosaurs. They have been watching dinosaurs emerge from ice, digging for dino-eggs in the sand and have created dinosaur footprint pictures.

In Skylarks the children have been painting flowers and looking at the makeup of a flower, naming all of the different parts. They have explored farm animals and the names of their babies, for example sheep and lamb, horse and foal. They have continued with their phonics but have also been looking at word endings as well as the beginning sounds. And finally, the children enjoyed hunting for eggs and adding up their totals.

Oak have learnt how Easter is celebrated around the world this week. They have enjoyed making Easter cards and Easter baskets. They were excited when the Easter Bunny left them a letter and have enjoyed writing their replies, hoping he may return with an Easter surprise.

Mrs Taylor's class performed their assembly, working as a team to retell a version of "The Enormous Watermelon", talking about what they want to be when they grow up and singing the Farmer Pete song which teaches number bonds to ten. They spoke very clearly and everyone was very proud of them.

And finally, we wish you all, whether at Nursery, home or abroad, a very happy Easter break and look forward to seeing everybody back for the Summer term on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> April.

## Reminders for next week w/c Monday 3rd April

For any administrative queries out of term time please contact Mary Ann Fioroni on <a href="mailto:fioronim@hazelwoodschool.com">fioronim@hazelwoodschool.com</a> (am) or Adele Saunders on <a href="mailto:saundersa@hazelwoodschool.com">saundersa@hazelwoodschool.com</a> (pm) between 8am – 5pm.







This is a very welcome letter regarding the continuation of the FEE. Many thanks to all those who no doubt had to endure lots of meetings to get to this solution. Nice work!

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All eyes are on the teacher in Skylarks as the children further extend their number skills. Counting and collaboration were very much the order of the day when building this massive LEGO construction.

#### News from Hazelwood



#### **E-Safety Resource News**

With the rise of children's digital exposure and use of technology we have found a useful magazine that offers advice from a range of professionals and experts on subjects ranging from Social Network safety tips and 'Sexting' to setting parental controls on apps and devices and cyber-crime. It is designed to best provide you with information and advice on how to keep your child safe when they are online. This includes helping children to keep themselves safe, helping parents face up to the dangers out there and face up to speaking to their children about them and information on the latest technological advances and dangers out there. The school has ordered 300 hard copies of the publication but the web link is posted below for ease of immediate access.

There are many websites with advice out there but Vodafone's 'Digital Parenting Magazine' is very clear and well written, putting lots of useful information in one place. As a school we take online security very seriously and teach and encourage good habits to keep your children safe and wanted to share this with you to help us all be proactive in best supporting our children.

James Walton, Designated Safeguard Lead

http://vodafonedigitalparenting.co.uk/



**The Nutshell really loves** the picture of Sir Winston Churchill drawn by Max A. It has rally captured the mood and character of Britain's wartime leader down to the size of the tremendous cigar. **Congratulations too** to Caitlin LeF, daughter of TA Mrs Lefevre. Caitlin, who completed her work experience at Hazelwood last summer, has qualified to represent GB at the ITU World Championships in the summer. She will be doing the aquathlon and duathlon events.

This has been made possible by the encouragement of Mr Lloyd and Mrs Falconer who suggested she came to the triathlon club when she was here as Amy Forshaw was coming to speak to the older children about her experiences. Amy spotted Caitlin and said to Mr Lloyd to tell Caitlin to contact her if we would like some advice as she believes Caitlin is very talented. We took her on as Caitlin's trainer in September and the results speak for themselves together with the coaching she gets at Caterham.

Caitlin ultimately wants to represent GB at the Olympics in the triathlon and is living proof that dreams do come true if you put your heart and soul into following them. Caitlin is looking for sponsorship too so if you know of anybody able to help, please get in touch via bursar@hazelwoodschool.com

## Don't Forget the Library over the Holidays!

Book Reviews are very welcome (3 housepoints per review) if you have read a great book over the holidays!

Postcards always lovely to receive telling us where you are and what you are reading (2 housepoints per card). Please send to Mrs Wisniewski and Mrs Dymoke at school.

Photos of pupils reading over the holidays (2 housepoints per photo).

Photos of a library anywhere you are over the holidays with the name of the library visible (excluding Hazelwood and Oxted libraries!) Or a good bookshop you have visited with its name visible (3 housepoints per photo). Any additional information on the library or bookshop welcome Eg Mouse Bookshop, Whistling Lane, Old Barstoke, Hampshire - we visited this bookshop and loved it! It had a great children's section and a garden we could read in too! I discovered a new author called.......

Photos can be emailed to <u>wisniewskin@hazelwoodschool.com</u> or <u>dymokek@hazelwoodschool.com</u>

THANKYOU and Happy Easter to you all!

## We came, we saw, we conquered. Year 4 Roman Day 2017





















On pre-tour with the Chapel Choir....

This term Glee club has been on a Monday with Mrs Ford and myself, Miss Parr. The girls have all worked incredibly hard at singing and dancing. They learnt three short routines and performed them this week. They were superb! All the girls should be incredibly proud of themselves and keep singing and dancing! Thank you for all your hard work girls, yours full of glee, Miss Parr and Mrs Ford.

Gold House Point Award Congratulations go to Charlie C Lucy B, Eliza B, Michelle M and Grace S who have already amassed 300 house points. What a way to end the spring term, with the whole of the summer term to push ahead in the quest for the 500 point Platinum ultimate accolade.









Question: How do you keep 30 Robins, 43 Skylarks and 49 Oak Reception quiet and

still for over 20 minutes?

**Answer:** Send in the Chapel Choir to perform to them in the Paterson Hall.

"The children were all absolutely awestruck – they sat without a murmur......They loved the instrumental bit – and 2 or 3 girls on the front row couldn't help but sing along to twinkle twinkle...... If that's not a tear jerker – I don't know what is!

An absolutely perfect start to any day!"

#### **After School Club News**





#### **Quidditch Club**

This Summer term, for the very first time, we are excited to introduce the game of Quidditch to Hazelwood. This exhilarating, fast paced and action packed game became officially recognised as a sport in 2005 and is played by many teams around the world. Now, this Summer Term, Quidditch is swooping its way to Hazelwood in the form of an after school club.

The children can bring in Harry Potter robes if they wish but this is optional and they can wear their games kit. The school is providing brooms but if you do own a Nimbus 2001 or a Firebolt you are more than welcome to bring them along!

I look forward to our first training session next term.

Professor MacdonaDougall

#### Calling all wannabe black belts

The school's Judo Club takes place on a Tuesday. The *Sensei* (or teacher) is Mr Clive Dalton who holds the prestigious 4<sup>th</sup> Dan Black Belt with the British Judo Council. He has worked with Hazelwood for many years, ensuring that the children make progress and learn the ancient martial art of judo in a safe and controlled environment. Through his expert tuition, pupils will learn the holds, the throws and even speak Japanese as they master the linguistic element of judo as well as the physical aspects. There are a few places in both the Junior and the Senior Club for the summer term. Contact the school office for further details.









With the main event still to come, Mrs Bean would like to say **a massive thank you** to the staff and parents of Hazelwood School who have already helped her reach her £500 fund raising target. She will be able to restock the school room in the children's ward and divert any additional resource into making life more comfortable in the main ward. The Shopping Evening takes place on Friday 31st from 7.30pm in the TOSH.

## **Congratulations to Jake and Jack**

On Mothering Sunday, Jake D and Jack E undertook their Taekwondo grading, which involved theory and practical in front of examiners and lots of parents.

We are proud to announce that both boys passed; Jake achieved green belt and Jack achieved yellow belt. They were very proud to hold their certificates and to wear their new belts.





Well done to Jacob G shown alongside with a picture of an Ewok he completed at Star Wars Club. He showed patience, care and persistence to complete it. All good character traits for a future Jedi Master! May the force be with you Jacob.



**Bravo to the Hayes School Concert Band** who performed to the school on Thursday as part of Mrs Young's showcase season. Playing a wide repertoire of styles and composers, the young band thoroughly entertained Years 3- 8 and gave a valuable insight into what it is like to play in a band. The Bawtree Hall yet again proved itself a worthy concert venue providing the perfect acoustics for the rousing choruses, brass section fanfares and rhythmic percussion section.















These are the first of many great studies in typography by the artists of Year 6. The children have been given free rein to study and explore any style of font and typography they like and to create a finished piece reflecting and containing the power of the graphic form. Mrs Tulett is creating a Typography Book of all the work which will go on proud display for all to see and be inspired by.





They say that behind every talented child lurks а talented parent. Well if these pieces, created by the mums in the **Parents** Art Workshop are anything to go by, that saying is so true!



**Wanted Unwanted LEGO** for the SEN Department. If you have any boxes filled with redundant Lego, please bring them into the school office. Mrs Pinder will be grateful for all donations.



Stunning masterpieces in the making which will grace the walls of many a happy Hazelwood home. What a talented parent body we have!







## U13 girls get the better of their parents!

On Saturday 25th March – the U13 netball team (Sasha, Evie, Eva, Annabelle, Camelia, Emily, Annabel and Kavi) took on a parent team made up of Mr & Mrs Twyman, Mrs Hall, Mrs Georgiou, Mrs Quessy and Mr & Mrs Kerr – with very useful subs in the form of Holly L and William.

Mrs H was all prepared to make allowances for the older team – suggesting 3x10 min thirds – but was shot down in flames by the 'oldies' who demanded 4 x 10min quarters! It was a very fast match with some great interceptions and lovely passing by both teams interspersed with some cheeky out of hand manoeuvres by the 'oldies' and some questionable contact! However, by half time the 'oldies' had the edge with a lead of 2 goals. With some change in the positions for the 'oldies', there came confusion with where

they were and were not allowed on the court (showing their age!) and the girls came back to win the match 12-11. A great match, enormous fun and a lot of laughs had by all.

## **HPA Masquerade Ball: Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

Don't forget to sort your Ball tickets out soon. Tables are filling fast and whilst the wearing of a mask may conceal your disappointment at not getting a table, you'll know inside that you're missing out on all the fun. Forms available from school and nursery offices.















In an Art Room not far away, the brave pupils of Year 8 undertook creative exploration into galaxies far beyond our own. The results are out of this world and enough to make you want to scream.....







A message for all Year 8 pupils as you are revising over Easter for your final language exams

As well as bearing your own targets in mind, remember how the marking criteria offers focused guidance for your written test.

You will be graded for content, accuracy as well as quality of language.

Remember those lovely words, opinions, connectives and intensifiers? And the past tense?

Make sure you also insert some culture to your piece: a French town, a French dish or a French monument. Take a glimpse at James' lovely poster and see if you might like to mention one of these in your letter.



Bon courage et Joyeuses Pâques. Madame Le Floch

## **Doyouthinktheysaurus at Port Lympne**

On Thursday Year 2 travelled to Port Lympne Wildlife Park in Kent for their 24-hour sleepover extravaganza. Upon arrival the children, staff and parents boarded their convoy of safari vehicles which took them into the depths and delights of Africa and Asia. There was so much to discover with the children coming up close and personal with the giraffes. From there it was onwards and backwards in time to CARNIVORA, **fastening seat belts for the Dinosaur Forest.** The group were able to examine over one hundred species of Dinosaur. Out of all the exhibits, the children's favourite was the Spinosaurus.





Back at school, the children, tired but determined not to peak too early, refueled with a special dinosaur tea with dinosaur cakes. They then split into three groups for some cleverly disguised dinosaur activities including Duck Bill Duck Bill T-Rex, pass the parcel and pin the tail on the angry dinosaur. The children loved their dinosaur pencils and grow-your-own-dinosaur eggs. (Watch out at home for when they hatch – from small school giveaways, giant T-Rex can grow!) The children also enjoyed time around the campfire with Mr Walton keeping the dinosaurs at aby with the fames and their singing! And then it was time for bed with less emphasis on the sleeping and more on the playing of the game, who can stay awake the longest and not fall asleep until at least 3 in the morning!

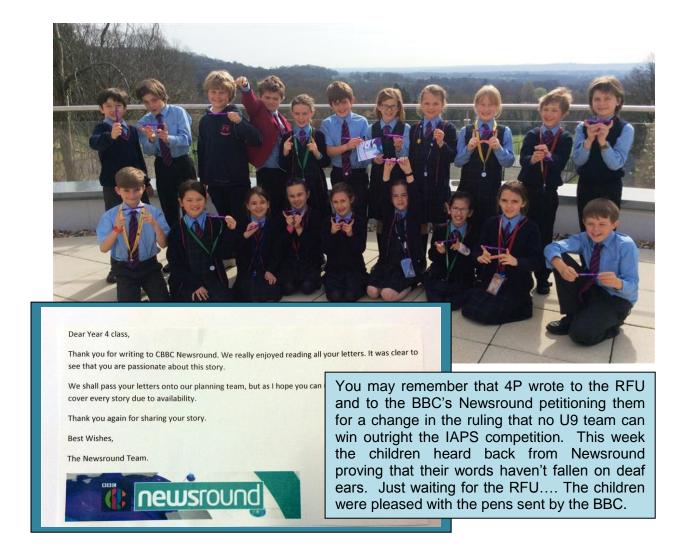
There were some bleary eyes at breakfast but some hearty appetites also. The children tucked into eggs, bacon, bean and croissants with all, even in their semi-asleep state, asking very politely for their breakfast of choice. The whole experience was excitedly rounded off with a dinosaur hunt through the school grounds. Some dinosaur eggs and footprints were found by the treehouse which could have explained the low grumblings in the night. Either that or it was Mr Walton's snoring!

A big, triceratops thank you to the staff and parents who pulled together to make the whole experience so memorable. It is a real highlight in the Year 2 calendar and for some, the first (and last) sleep over of its kind. Thanks too to James M for sharing his birthday with his whole class. I hope he is not returning too tired to blow out his birthday candles!









A year ago Mrs Tulett started on a year of self-discovery after a turning point in her life. Instead of sitting back and feeling sorry for herself, she put on her walking shoes and started to walk and walk and walk..... she saw a challenge to keep her going and motivated and signed up for the **Isle of Wight with Action Challenge**.

Since then she has been on lots of training walks of between 20 - 30km. In 28 days, she will embark on a 106km walk all the way round the Isle of Wight, starting at 7.40am on the 29th and finishing when she gets to the end!!!!

Kate is walking to raise money for the NSPCC and her fundraising page, should you want to support her, is

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/What-Kate-didnext?utm\_source=facebook&utm\_medium=updates&utm\_content=What-Kate-didnext&utm\_campaign=updates-facebook

Good luck Mrs Tulett! We are all right behind you









**The Easter Holiday TED project** for Y1 - Y5 is to make a photo diary of sunflower seeds germinating. Three seeds were stuck to the TED information sheets by this group of high skilled helpers.

If children are able to keep the sunflowers growing and the slugs away, they can enter the Tallest Sunflower competition. A photo of them measuring their sunflower, with the measurement in centimetres and their name, needs to be submitted by Friday 30th June 2017 to be handed into Mrs Bilbrough.

Y6 - Y8 student may take part in the Tallest Sunflower competition. Please collect your seeds from Mrs Bilbrough.

Happy growing!

Mrs C. Bilbrough, Head of Science



Mrs Taylor and Mrs Sanger's Oka classes entertained their families at their recent assemblies. The children had learned a lot and loved sharing it with the packed audience.









## News from the Kitchen

Please don't forget that the new menus for both Hazelwood School and the Nursery & Early Years are now on their respective websites under The Parents' Sections.

## Sports Department





Match Reports should be taken to Mrs Greenwood or emailed to her on <a href="mailto:headspa@hazelwoodschool.com">headspa@hazelwoodschool.com</a> by Friday afternoon ahead of assembly on Monday morning. If your child is nominated as captain, please encourage them to write the report in time for the assembly. The children do like to share their successes with the rest of the school. Thank you.

With the sun beating down on them, the girls of Year 3 began to master the sport of rounders with some focused hand-to-bat- training. All good preparation for hitting those boundaries for the home runs!

#### Music Timetable

The weekly music timetable can be viewed on the Music Notice Board outside the Dining room in the courtyard. I will endeavour to have the coming week's music timetable on the notice board by the end of the school day each Friday. Please ensure that your child brings their instrument and music in on the relevant day. It is also important for them to take these books and instruments home when they do not need them in school.

## Notice Board

#### Communication sent home this week

The following letters have been sent home this week. If you need a duplicate copy, please contact the School Office.

Chapel Choir Tour Group: Information and reminder

Whole School 2017-18 Fees
Whole Nursery FEE funding
Whole Nursery 2017-18 Fees

## After School Nanny Wanted for Hazelwood Family

After 2.5 years our lovely nanny is leaving us to travel the world. We are two working parents looking for a new after-school nanny to look after our three boys who are at school on Oxted aged 11 (Year 7) and 8-year-old twins (Year 3). Good rate of pay. Benefits include holiday pay, business mileage and pension. Additional hours available through babysitting and during school holidays.

Must be able to drive and own a car.

For more information, please contact Mary on <a href="marywhenman@yahoo.co.uk">marywhenman@yahoo.co.uk</a> or 07989 476060

## Key Events for Next Week

Monday 24 All Day Staff Training Day

**Tuesday 25** Bus services start (am)

All early rooms, clubs, dance, late rooms and Breakfast Club

start

Early morning swimming starts

Music Groups start All Week Science Week

All Week Talent Show Auditions 0830 Term starts for Years 3-8 0900 Term starts for Years 1-2

0900 Term starts for HNEY (term time)

2000 HPA meeting

Wednesday 26 0900-

1500 Year 2 'Up, up, and away Art Day'

1900 Dick Moore – Parent Talk 'Mental health in our

children

**Thursday 27** All day Science Day – 'Professor Brainstorm' workshops

Years 1-8

0835 House meetings

Friday 28 All day 2W/1A Forest Schools

1300 Hazelwood U13 Cricket 6's Tournament





Two further masterpieces created by our very talented parents in Mrs Tulett's' parent art class. No previous experience was necessary. Stunning works!





## Come and join us













SUNDAY 2 APRIL 3.30-5.30pm



St Peter's Church Hall, Limpsfield

High Street, RH8 0DG

Crafts | Activities | Worship | Meal Fun for children of all ages!

Launching 2 April: Messy Church Sports Club!

Come along for games, sport and bible baddies!



A contribution of £3 per family would be appreciated from those who can. Please let Pat Davies know if you are coming: info@parishoflimpsfield.org.uk but do feel free to just turn up on the day!



2 APRIL 10am 3.30-5.30pm PASSION SUNDAY All-Age Eucharist Messy Chuch



9 APRIL 10am



PALM SUNDAY Blessing of the Palms and

Procession to St Peter's (gather in The Bull car park)

Parish Eucharist

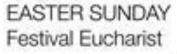
14 APRIL 10.30am

10.15am

GOOD FRIDAY

Informal service for all ages

16 APRIL 10am





(please bring a flower with you to celebrate new life)



Find out more at www.lttm.org.uk/stpeters