

The Nutshell



Hazelwood School

When the going gets tough, at Hazelwood, the tough get going, digging in deep, calling upon hidden reserves of resolve, to see things through to the end. We are a determined bunch; in pursuit of our personal bests, of excellence, of keeping at something which we don't find naturally easy or of just giving something new and challenging a go! GRIT is our new focus for the second half of this term following on from a very successful start to the academic year when RESPECT was our mantra. The theme will be explored through form time, PSHEE, morning assembly and chapel with staff and pupils giving their views on it and sharing examples of when individuals or teams refuse to take the easy way out. I started the ball of GRIT rolling in a very purposeful way on Tuesday and referred to the lives of Nelson Mandela and Albert Einstein to set the scene. Did you know that Mr Einstein once admitted that he wasn't the smartest cookie in the biscuit tin (our words, not his!) Rather he was the one who kept working on problems for the longest. He didn't give up, didn't switch to trying to understand a different theorem the minute he struck a problem. Instead he stuck to his guns, ignored the short cut and made his famous discovery a marathon and not a sprint. Imagine how different the world would be if every great inventor, humanitarian, explorer or artist had taken the easy way out and abandoned their quest at the first sign of trouble. How different would the world and our lives be?

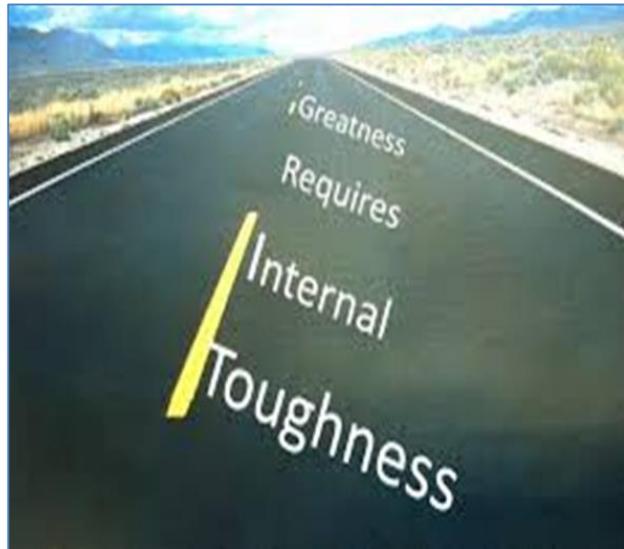
So too at Hazelwood. The school community possesses its unique spirit, which is both infectious and captivating, on account of all of our individual endeavours and efforts. They overcome challenge, they encourage ingenuity and they develop character. On a case by case basis the drive shown each day by every pupil to succeed, to stick with a difficult task is wonderful to witness. When viewed collectively as a whole school, there can surely be few better examples of sheer focus and commitment. It is why we achieve so much and why, throughout the year, we have so much to celebrate and acknowledge from all corners of our extended community. Long may we be a school of *gritters and not quitters!*



Angela Duckworth, an eminent psychologist, has conducted extensive research on what personality characteristics are associated with success. Her studies have found that across different contexts and settings, the one characteristic which is a significant predictor of

personal achievement is not social intelligence, not physical health or strength nor good luck. It is indeed GRIT. So next time, when you are ready to throw the towel in, instead pick it up and throw it down gauntlet style. Focus and commit to the long-haul and the rewards will taste that bit sweeter.

Give it your all
Redo if necessary
Ignore giving up
Take time to do it right



Already this term we have shared in some great examples of our pupils digging deep and giving it everything to succeed including the Year 8 play cast who pulled out all the stops and with just six weeks of rehearsals put on a spectacular show. Equally, the U8-U11 swimming squad were victorious in the gala against the Hawthorns School, winning by just one single, grit-fuelled, point.

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

GRIT – Ethan W

Having GRIT means never giving up no matter what. If you have a growth mind-set you automatically have GRIT because you keep on trying until it goes right.

G – growth mind-set is the most important thing for GRIT.

R – really give 120% of effort in everything you do.

I – ingenious ideas don't come without GRIT.

T – tenacity is a key part of having GRIT.

GRIT – Oscar P

Having GRIT means you are focused on doing something which you have set for yourself. It links in with mind-set because you have determination which is having a growth mind-set.

G – growing and having resilience and being the best you can possibly be at all your subjects.

R – really pushing yourself and reaching for tasks to complete and having a growth mind-set.

I – Inside you, your brain is ticking away trying to find goals and being determined.

T – targets, thinking outside the box and using your imagination to think of better words.

GRIT – Georgie L

Having GRIT means being determined, never giving up and being resilient. This links in with mind-set because growth mind-set means you will keep going and fixed mind-set means the opposite.

G – giving up is the biggest mistake you will make.

R – resilience takes you far in life.

I – ignore what other people think.

T – take a chance!

News from The Nursery & Early Years

Despite the clocks moving and the evenings seemingly drawing in before the end of the school day, the weather has been unseasonably cheerful and all of the children have been making the most of the Autumn sunshine by exploring new activities and areas outdoors.

The youngest Fledglings spent this week exploring the book '5 little ducks' and hence there has been an abundance of water play, as well as plenty of singing and counting. I was most impressed by some of the children's developing concentration when I visited the room this week. They were clearly enjoying investigating the water and bubbles and a couple of the children maintained their interest for a significant length of time. The children have also been putting their improved walking skills to the test by going on their first welly walk down to the wigloo.



Fledglings 2 have had an abundance of dinosaurs this week and even created their own jelly swamp for them! They also had great fun painting and printing dinosaur footprints. It is amazing how fast their language skills are developing and I had a lovely conversation and giggle with two of the girls during our play with the shredded paper this week. It was lovely to see the blossoming confidence and independence of all the children.

Lower Robins have focused on fireworks this week and have created some fabulous splatter paintings as a result. They have also used the darker nights as a focus to explore the use of torches and great fun was had hunting for different shapes in the dark. Upper Robins have developed more of a water theme and enjoyed exploring different creatures from under the sea during their water play.



Abracadabra! This week in Skylarks the children have enjoyed making their own magic potions in the potion lab as well as creating their own magic wands to cast spells. The children have also been looking at fireworks and have created their own pictures using a

variety of different media. In their small group work the children have continued with letter sound recognition using the Read, Write Inc. scheme as well as beginning to identify coins. The challenge next week will be to find the right coin to pay for their snack. So keep your purses close as many showed a distinct fascination for different coins and will soon realise that the paper money is the type they want!



The magic and spell theme was continued into Oak this week with many of the children continuing to enjoy creating their own spells and potions. I was a bit worried at one point when I popped in that they might have made Miss Sanger disappear! But fortunately it was only temporary. The children have also been identifying rhyming words, using "Oi frog" and "Oi, dog" stories. They particularly enjoyed making up their very own words. However, the lure of the fireworks couldn't be contained and so not only were there some interesting discussions about why we celebrate fireworks night, but a host of interesting creative activities including creating their very own firework toast. I was particularly proud this week of the grown up way the Oak children chose their parts for the Nativity play. They even managed to resolve the issue of having 2 Joseph's with a very grown up discussion. We did however decide that it might be best to use a doll for baby Jesus as it would be rather tricky for any of them to fit in the manger and manage to stay still for the whole play!

Reminders:

- Please remember that next week is World Nursery Rhyme week and the children can come in dressed as their favourite nursery rhyme character on Thursday 10th November.
- Poppies and poppy stickers are now on sale in the Early Years office if you would like to purchase one for your child. Oak children may bring the money in their book bags.
- All Fat Chilli Christmas card orders must be returned to the Early Years office by midday on Monday 7th December please.
- The late room mobile number is 07940116547. This number should be used to contact the Early Years between 5pm-6pm when the office is unmanned.

Dates for your diary:

- Oak Nativity – 6th December at 9.30pm
- Skylarks Nativity – 8th December at 9.30pm
- Robins concert – 9th December at 9.30pm (Please note this is a different date to the one published date the calendar)



“We were thrilled to be invited to attend last night's production of 'Totally Over You'. As usual the production was tip top and we thoroughly enjoyed a very entertaining evening. We have visited Hazelwood School on many occasions supporting our three grandchildren, always thoroughly enjoying the experience and are already looking forward to the Carol Service in December. Please pass onto the cast and the members of staff who were involved in last evening our heartfelt thanks.”

The Year 8 pupils create tableaux around the school in preparation for their play last half term. The images were cleverly used as part of the moving backdrop to the onstage action.

Supporting Children in Need: Friday 18th November

On Friday, 18th November we shall be partaking in the national fundraising event, Children in Need, a charity that helps thousands of disadvantaged children across the United Kingdom. It is such an important charity and we have done well to raise super amounts in previous years. On the day, the children (Years 1-8) can come to school in spotty or stripy

socks, tights or ties. They are to wear these items along with their usual uniform (Years 1-2 can add a tie to theirs if they wish!) so that they still look smart and that we have as little disruption to our teaching and learning as possible. Should they wish to participate, pupils should bring in £1 to donate to Children in Need.



In addition, we will be holding a topic related Assembly and various cake sales will be taking place at lunch break. All of the children in Years 1-8 will have the opportunity to buy one item and all proceeds will go to Children in Need. They will need to bring in an ADDITIONAL 50p should they wish to purchase an item from the Cake Sales.

Thank you for your continued support and to those who will be helping with the baking!

Happy Halloween from our Dancing Monsters!



Lindsay



Joel

Estates News

Welcome to Lindsay and Joel who have joined the school's Estates Team. Lindsay is Head of Grounds Maintenance and joins us from Parkside School. Joel was previously scaling the dizzy heights of Go Ape in Tilgate Park as a team leader. Both love the great outdoors and are looking forward to maintaining and taking forwards our glorious grounds.

Congratulations to our gagnants

And here they are, some of the proud winners of the MFL book cover competition! Well done to everyone who took part in this project, I have enjoyed giving out rewards for your beautiful presentations. It has been hard making a decision on a few occasions.

Madame Le Floch



DIY SOS, Hazelwood style

Over half term, a small, yet magnificent team of Year 8 pupils, plus parents Mrs Roberts and Mrs Hall, joined Madame Jones (Head of Y8) to do a "DIY SOS" style makeover of the Year 8 Common Room. Previous to this transformation, it was an unused, rather tired looking classroom with a few sofas in it; it was a little shabby and not at all chic. It now looks like a proper Common Room for our Year 8 pupils to enjoy. I would like to say an enormous thank you to the hard working Year 8 volunteers: Ella S, Evie H, Tamsin A, Morgan R, Kristian B and Zac S. Also thank you to siblings Max H and Emilia S who were also volunteered to help us! To Eva G who popped along to help out too whilst her artwork dried. And last, but by no means least, a huge thank you to Mrs Roberts and Mrs Hall, thank you for braving the ladders to help make the room complete.



I hope that the new colour scheme (chosen by several Year 8 pupils) is pleasing and will last this year's Year 8s and many more beyond. My particular favourite is the multi-coloured cupboard doors, which look fantastic. Well done team and thank you very, very much to all involved.



Members of the Year 8 painting party moving so quickly with the rollers that they blur the camera! Slowly, and safely, does it however for the SEAL Scuba divers who perfected their underwater technique over half term.

Alumni Thanks

These pics are from Langdale Fell Race, 8 October: the route climbs up to the skyline from the lower right of the second picture, then basically works its way around the tops (and bogs) in a horseshoe. That's me in the blue vest, 152nd out of 500-odd, which I'll accept; not bad for a Southern Downlander versus Northern fells-folk, at an English Championships event with plenty younger.



However, the credit goes to Tony Boardman who was Hazelwood's Deputy Head in the 1970s, his vibrant energy whether as history teacher or sports coach or conductor of Handel's Messiah or instigator of a dramatic performance of 'Oliver!' Once when the playing fields were flooded, he took a group of us out for a proper autumnal country romp around Limpsfield Common and its environs, which planted the seed of this cross-country running lark. Nothing competitive just a jolly good root around the countryside. No fancy gear in those days, just black plimsolls; and proper soaks in steaming hot baths afterwards, to remove the mud, with hot sweet tea to boot. It started a life-habit.

So it was disappointing to hear at the July 2015 reunion, he had passed away (despite being only 30-ish in the mid-70s), as I can't now send him a "Thank you!" for the enjoyment that's plain from my face.

Anyway I hope it's small evidence of the plenty good you're all doubtless doing nowadays, people can end up thankful for.

Edmund Jackson

Congratulations to Sasha and Evie

We are delighted that both Sasha and Evie have been selected for the Surrey U14 Netball Development Academy. Both are so excited (as are we) and cannot wait to get going in the training programme.

This is absolutely fantastic news; an achievement which has never been done before in Mrs Lowe's time at Hazelwood. She first taught them in Year 2 and since then they have both shown such commitment and dedication to netball. They have such a passion for the sport and they really deserve this amazing opportunity.



HRH The Queen made Kian's day earlier this week. Having sent Her Royal Highness a 90th birthday card in the summer, Kian had almost forgotten about his thoughtful gesture until a very formal looking envelope from Buckingham Palace landed on the doormat over half term. Much to his delight it was a thank you message from the Queen. As you can see, the opening of the envelope caused much excitement and put the whole family off their breakfast!

Spooky goes on at Fun Club

During the second week of the holidays a number of children attended the Hazelwood Fun Club. There was a range of activities that the children could participate in. These included swimming, arts and crafts and pumpkin carving. Fizz Pop Science also came in one day,

and showed us all how to create rockets using straws. We then went out to the sports fields and launched a real rocket!! Throughout the week, the children got to paint their hand prints however they liked, these were going to be used to create 'The Fun Club Tree'. A colourful tree resembling everyone's individual personality.



On the Friday, there was a spooky Halloween theme flowing throughout the day. Children created a 5-foot spider using resources such as bin bags and leaves. This activity was followed by the children creating pumpkin designs before the winning designs were onto real pumpkins.



The Changing Face of the Baily Building

As the darker nights draw in, and the slower rising sun heralds in fresh and crisp autumn mornings, the Baily Building is presented in ever-changing guises. Stunning by night and more reflective in the mornings, the curved roof is poised ready to greet its first drift of snow. The contours of the roof would make a perfect toboggan run if it wasn't for H&S!

Uniform Confirmation

Now that we are in winter uniform, Years 1-5 do not need their blazers in school UNLESS you receive a message about a special occasion eg Carol Service.

We would still request that Years 6-8 have their blazers in school for daily assembly. They can leave them hanging in the locker room so that they can wrap up warm under their

stormproof coats now that the mornings are getting colder. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



On Monday October 31st Mrs Asli led a wonderful 'Spooky Strings' experience in the Recital Room. An assortment of witches, ghouls and other unmentionable creatures learnt a variety of spine chilling affects including: tremolo, col legno, pizzicato and string screams. The group then performed their sounds following a graphic score and terror was struck in the heart of Hazelwood! Rewarded by a Halloween lolly for their efforts everyone had a spooalicious time!

Warm thanks to Suzie Asli for organizing this wonderful opportunity for the children to learn some new things to do with stringed instruments in a light hearted and inspirational way.

Sara Young
Acting Director of Music



Thank you to the Oak Reception form reps who organised an amazing nursery Halloween Party. The table, laden with scary treats looked amazing and the children, dressed to spook and scare, enjoyed the dancing, fun and games. It was a brilliant way to welcome in the half term holiday.

Huge congratulations and thanks to the members of the HPA who put on the most fabulous fireworks display on Thursday night. Special thanks go to Mrs Nixon who masterminded the event and kept her willing band of helpers in check and in hi-vis! The fireworks went on forever with each pause a round of applause to show the audience's appreciation and then the aerial explosion began all over again. Majestic colour, explosive sound and all basking in the heat of a roaring fire. Thank you to the Nursery for their harvest guys and to the Hudson Family for the main guy sitting atop the Bonfire. Thanks to for the refreshments, the hot chocolate (with or without a dash of Baileys) and the mulled wine proving very popular on a crisp autumn night. Thanks for everyone's support. The HPA look forward to seeing you all again at the triumphant Christmas Fair.



Reading and Reviewing - our future literary editors?!

Lucy Howells and Hannah Rhodes, both in Year 6, produced wonderful book reviews over half term which are now on display in the library. Thank-you so much!
Mrs Dymoke and Mrs Wisniewski

Well done to our LAMDA students: 41 students, 100% success rate. Amazing results!

Year 4		
Marcus K	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Merit
Barney F	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Merit
Bethan W	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Esme W	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Camilla S	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Finnian L	Solo Introductory Stage 2	Distinction
Lucy K	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Rosie P	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Emelie A	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Isla M	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Merit
Matthew F	Solo Introductory Stage 2	Merit
Henry L	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Orla C	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Isabella W	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Sophia M	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Lola B	Solo Introductory Stage 3	Distinction
Year 5		
James S	Duo Acting Entry Level	Distinction
Holly L	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Charlie Y	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Harry T	Solo Acting Entry Level	Pass
Charlotte R	Duo Acting Entry Level	Distinction
Beatrice DH	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Daniel S	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Michelle M	Duo Acting Entry Level	Merit
Clara B	Duo Acting Entry Level	Pass
Year 6		
Erin W	Duo Acting Grade 1	Merit
Jasmine B	Duo Acting Grade 1	Merit
Artie F	Solo Acting Grade 2	Merit
Jasmine V	Solo Miming Grade 1	Merit
Anna-Sophia T	Duo Acting Grade 2	Merit
Annie V	Duo Acting Grade 2	Merit
Henry A	Solo Acting Grade 2	Distinction
Francesca W	Solo Miming Grade 1	Merit
Year 7		
Maddie H	Solo Miming Grade 2	Pass
Izzy J	Duo Miming Grade 2	Distinction
Dominic C	Solo Acting Grade 2	Merit
Charlie L	Duo Miming Grade 2	Distinction
Year 8		
Georgia P	Duo Devising Grade 3	Distinction
Emily K	Duo Devising Grade 3	Distinction
Tamsin A	Duo Devising Grade 4	Distinction
Eliza P	Duo Devising Grade 4	Distinction

Medals all round for the Hazelwood swimming team

Yesterday eleven children represented the school at Tonbridge swimming gala. There were twelve individual events and two relay races. All swimmers did exceptionally well and the following came away with medals.

4 x 25m freestyle relay team bronze: Hannah R, Sasha T, Jas F and Thomas H

4 x 25m medley relay team bronze: Hannah R, Callum M, Freya D and Jas F

25m junior butterfly bronze: Freya D

25m breaststroke Gold: Callum M

25m backstroke Gold: Lucy L

25m freestyle Gold: Jas F



Well done to everyone for a fantastic performance. Hazelwood finished fourth out of a field of eleven, comprising of some of the strongest swimming schools in the South East. Most pleasingly, we won the U11 section, smashing all other schools out of the park! Special mention should go to those swimmers which swam up an age band: Hannah R & Thomas H.

Miss Wills



Remembrance service

The school's moving Remembrance Service will take place on Friday 4th November at 10.50am in the Chapel Courtyard. All are welcome to attend. Children should wear a poppy on their coats or blazers (depending on the weather). Silence will be observed at 11am. Poppies can be purchased from the school office.



Following on from a successful start to the running season, Luke D had his first fabulous day training with the Surrey Cross Country Team. The highlight of which saw a dream come true; Luke running with the 2016 Olympic 1500m finalist Charlie Grice! Charlie boasts having the world's best training partner, none other than Luke's hero, Mo Farah!

Luke also used the half term holidays to brush up on his competitive streak. He is pictured above with his buddy, and ex-pupil, Hugo Hewitt at the Riddlesdown Park Run (5k). It was a great Saturday morning for them both with personal bests of 18.06 for Hugo (15-17 year) and 19.30 for Luke (U10's).



All hail the power of the duck!

Miss Clayton's imaginative efforts to build Dowling team spirit have paid off with this very regal Anne Boleyn duck being presented on Holly D's return from half term. Still with its head, the fated Queen of Ducks is sitting quite comfortably in Dowling HQ at the court of Queen TC. Let's hope that Dowling keep their heads in the next inter-house competition and don't follow Anne's example by losing theirs too. Thank you Holly and family.

A day in the ancient city of Athens

As the sun shone, the children in year 3 arrived dressed in togas and their wonderful Ancient Greek costumes. The children were each involved in three activities; a drama workshop, food tasting and Greek craft.



The 'Citizens of Athens' workshop was a fantastic experience for the children. They acted out various aspects of life in Ancient Greece including learning about democracy and the Greek Gods. It was fantastic to see the children stand up and deliver their opinions on whether or not they should rebuild their city.



The food tasting was also a great hit. We were impressed by how eager the children were to sample unfamiliar foods and how quickly some of it disappeared! We also made 3D Greek mythical characters which brought the ancient myths to life.



Introducing Annabel Lark as Chair of Governors

As announced in a previous Nutshell, Mrs Jo Naismith has stepped down from her position as Chair of Governors after over 20 years of association with and service to the school. A special assembly is being held on Tuesday to thank her for her enormous contribution.

In her place we are delighted to 'welcome' Mrs Annabel Lark (shown in the picture below – on the left!) who herself has had a long association with the school. Annabel has been a Governor for many years, most recently as Chair of the all-important Education Committee. Her three daughters have all enjoyed an education at Hazelwood with Millie, her youngest, leaving only last year.

By way of an introduction, the Nutshell reprints the profile of Annabel who looks forward to meeting as many of you as possible at forthcoming school functions.

“My interest in education goes back a number of years. I trained to be a teacher at Homerton College, Cambridge. Following my degree, I took a break from education and became involved in sports television. After several years I was keen to get back into teaching and took the position of a classroom teacher at a local prep school.

I have been involved with Hazelwood as a parent for seventeen years and a Governor for ten. I have three daughters all of whom have been educated at Hazelwood. They have all thrived at Hazelwood and enjoyed all that it has to offer.

After I had my children I became a Governor at Hever primary school and took over as Chair in 2006 for eight years. I joined the Hazelwood Board of Governors in 2006 and have since been Chair of the Education Committee. The Education Committee oversees and supports a continuous process of monitoring, evaluation and review with regard to the quality of teaching and learning at Hazelwood. Hazelwood has always offered a wide range of opportunities for every child and as a Governing Body we will endeavour to ensure this continues so each child receives a well-balanced and broad education. Believing so fervently in what Hazelwood has to offer, it was a natural step for me to put myself forward for the role of Chair of Governors. I am delighted to continue to serve the school in an enhanced capacity and thank my fellow Governors for all their support and wisdom as I take up the reins of leadership.”



Welcome to Ralph Alexander James Haydock who was born on 2nd November weighing in at 8lbs and 5oz. Baby and mum are back at home enjoying their first moments as a family



Hazelwood Swimming Gala Victory against Hawthorns

On Thursday 13th October the U8, U9 & U10s had their first swimming gala of the year against Hawthorns. This was particularly exciting event as it was the Year 3s first ever gala. There were both individual events and relays. The following Year 3s and 4s did exceptionally well for taking part in their first ever butterfly races: Órla C, Amelie H, Alex P and Sierk E. We did extremely well in the individual races with some excellent swims for a lot of our swimmers. Oliver K and Jack E should be commended for racing up an age group. The relays were extremely close which made for a very exciting results.

Final results: Hazelwood 122 and Hawthorns 121.

Oscar D and Karlijn R led the team with an awesome Three Cheers at the end of the gala. Thank you to all the parents that came to support.

Miss Wills was really proud of all the swimmers, well done.

From the Library

The BBC has a special LovetoRead weekend on 5-6 November celebrating reading and books. Do google the LovetoRead website and hopefully you may hear the pleasures of reading being broadcast on your radio and via your televisions, as hundreds of people share their joy of books.

Sevenoaks Bookshop (where we buy many of our books) is hosting Robin Stevens, children's author of the ***Murder Most Unlikely*** series on Friday 25th November between 5-7pm. Robin

will be signing her latest book in the series, the festively named ***Mistletoe and Murder***. Please call the bookshop on 01732 452055. It is a great place to browse and buy Christmas presents!

Library books - do ask your children if they have out library books as we do need books returned after half term to be renewed for further reading or simply handed back in for others to read.

Thank-you!



Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated a Christmas Shoe Box. The Year 8s have been excitedly piling them up in reception ready for collection. They are all bright and colourful and will, we are sure, bring much happiness at Christmas to children around the world.

School Carol Service

Please can everyone follow the link below to let us know if you will be joining the school at its annual Carol Service. Thank you.

<https://goo.gl/forms/H1N05paSSQKWIF0y2>



GRIT – Ewan S

Grit is determination to do or achieve something great, and have resilience to bounce back up.

G – great determination to achieve and strive to earn your goal, and gain your own respect for what you've done.

R – resilience, to bounce back up and carry on and become what you want to be in life, because nothing is easy.

I – irritation, you will have to overcome the feelings of others around you whether you like that person or not, don't let anyone put you down.

T – temptations. Many of us will have second thoughts when others doubt us but we must strive to achieve our goals.

GRIT – Henry HR

G – growth mind-set includes determination, to move on through hard things, no matter how long it takes, failing is just finding ways how not to do something, which means you don't try it again.

R – resilience means never giving up when something gets hard, plough through the easy things but take as much time as needed in doing something hard. Always carry on, no matter how hard or tough.

I – initiative is using your mind to do things no others are doing, but it can also be hard so make sure nothing is in your way, stopping you from being yourself. Don't be someone you are not!

T – take a risk when things get tough, anything that hurts you can only make you stronger. The risk can be your choice, when you finish you can be proud of how you've done. Think outside the box!!! Try your hardest.

Sensational Strings Showcase

On Thursday 3rd of November our sensational Strings Staff presented a stunning Strings Showcase to the school in the Bawtree Hall. Mrs Madden (cello) Mrs Jones (Violin) and Mrs Asli (Viola) joined Mrs Young (Violin) in a wonderful programme of child friendly String Quartet music including: Pachabel's Canon; Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik; Colours of the Wind; Pharrell William's 'Happy'; and Adele's 'Let me Feel Your love'.

Mrs Asli showed everyone why the viola is such a wonderful instrument and much better than the squeaky violin (!) with a mellow rendition of 'Greensleaves' and Mrs Madden demonstrated the versatility of the Double Bass including some jazz, pizzicato (plucking) and bowed playing.

The Quartet really enjoyed playing for the school and starting the school day with some special sounds.

Warm thanks must go to Mrs Madden, Mrs Jones and Mrs Asli for so generously giving up their free time to play for the school.

If your child is interested in having a viola or double bass taster or indeed a violin taster please contact Mrs Young on youngs@hazelwoodschool.com



Santa Claus is coming to town!

It is nearly that time of year again and the Form Reps for Years 1 & 3 who are co-ordinating the Grotto at this year's Christmas Fair are looking for some willing participants to dress up in red, don a big white beard and bring Christmas joy to the children of Hazelwood!

We really need some Dads, Grandpas and Uncle volunteers in order to fill the Grotto with Santas at the Christmas Fayre being held on Saturday, 3rd December. If you are able to spare some time between 12 and 4 pm and would like to help Santa come to town, please let us know by emailing: year3formrep@gmail.com

All costumes supplied! Many thanks and best wishes.

Year 1 & 3 Form Reps





Year 4 Visit to The BAPS Shri Swaminarayan

On Wednesday the children of Year 4 visited the world famous Hindu Temple in Neasden.

They were stunned to see the beautiful temple in all its glory and spent much time sketching the intricate carvings and statues that surrounded us all.

We were lucky enough to observe a prayer session which the children found quite mesmerizing.

The exhibition was a wonderful opportunity to learn about the temples beginnings and delve deeper into the fascinating Hindu religion.

It was a lovely trip and well and truly set us up for our Indian Topic this term.

By Martha D



By Lucy B



By Kiran C

HPA

HPA Film Night - Zootropolis - Friday 11th November - 4.30 - 6.45 - Year 1 upwards

If you would like to book for this, please complete and return the booking form below with payment to the School Office as soon as possible and by no later than 4pm on Wednesday 9th November.



Hazelwood School

Birthday or celebration coming up in
November or December?



Hazelwood's Ice Rink is available for Private Hire, Saturday 3rd December between 4-6pm, either for one hour or both.

Chestnut Hall (next to the Ice Rink) is also available to rent as a party room during this time too.

Please contact Lizzie at HazelwoodSkatingRink@gmail.com for further information.

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.

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.

Sports Department

Match Reports should be taken to Mrs Greenwood or emailed to her on headspa@hazelwoodschool.com 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.

Well done to the girls!

The girls got off to an another amazing start to this half of term in Hockey with some great results. With only a few weeks left of hockey, the girls have really grasped the aspects of being in space and passing effectively. The Goal Keeping has also been very impressive.



The U10 A's won an impressive 13-0. The whole team were girls of the match.

The U10 B's won 6-2. Georgia P was Girl of the Match.

The U10 C's who played Holmewood House B team drew 0-0. Jaslyn C was girl of the match.

The U10 D's won 1 -0. Girl of the match was Imogen P.

The U11 A's won 4-1. The whole team were girls of the match.

The U11 B's won 2 -1. Girl of the match was Anna Sophia T.

The U11 C's lost 4 -1. Girl of the match was Lucy H.

The U11 D's lost 1-0. The whole team were girls of the match.

The U13 A's lost 5-1. Girl of the match was Francesca C.

The 13 B's drew 1-1. Girls of the match were Holly dVH and Annabelle CF

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.

Year 6: Parents' Evening Appointments – Tuesday, 8th November
Year 6: Parents' Evening Appointments – Thursday, 10th November

Babysitting available

Former Hazelwood pupil, Archie Dymoke (age 19), is available for babysitting, able to drive and contactable on 07889 786 826 or 01959 577293.

Key Events for Next Week

Monday 7 November

- 1320 Eco Schools meeting
- 1330 Football: Colts F Handcross Park Tournament (A)
- 1515 Hockey: U10A-C v Micklefield (H) (ELC)

Tuesday 8 November

- 1700- Year 6 Parents' Evening
- 2000

Wednesday 9 November

- 1200 Hockey: U13A East Grinstead Tournament (A) Ardingly
- 1430 Football: 1st XI, Colts D, E and F v Solefield and Russell House (H)
- 1430 Football: 3rd XI, Colts A, B and C v Solefield (A)
- 1430 Hockey: U11A and B v Sevenoaks Prep (H) (ELC)
- 1430 Hockey: U11C  v Hawthorns (A)
- 1430 Hockey: U10A and B v Sevenoaks Prep (at Holly Bush Lane) (A)
- 1430 Hockey: U10C and D v Holmewood House (H) (ELC)

Thursday 10 November

- 0835 House Meetings
- 1330 School Council meeting
- 1430 Football: U9A-C v Homefield (A)
- 1430 Hockey: U9A-D v Derwent Lodge (A)
- 1430 Hockey: U8A and B  v Derwent Lodge (H) (ELC)
- 1700- Year 6 Parents' Evening
- 2000
- 1800- HNEY Staff Training
- 2000 Evening

Friday 11 November

- 1050 Remembrance Service
- 1630 HPA Film Night

Saturday 12 November

- 0930 Football: Hazelwood U8 Tournament
- 1000 Football: Hazelwood U13 A 5 aside Tournament



The amazing HPA firework night captured in the glazing of the equally fantastic Baily Building.

FILM NIGHT

ZOOTROPOLIS

FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER

4.30pm – 6.45pm

Year 1 upwards

Tickets: £5.00



It's film night again in the School Theatre. We would love your little ones to join us for a special HPA showing of the comedy adventure film, Zootropolis, on Friday 11th November for Year 1 and upwards. The children will meet at the entrance of The Hazelwood Room at 4.30pm and the film will finish at approximately 6.45pm. Tickets are priced at £5 per child and include snack, drink and a sweet treat to take home. To attend, please return a completed form with payment to the school office clearly marked 'HPA Film Night'. Email confirmation will be sent out so please make sure email addresses are clear. Any queries to Natalie Thomas on hazelwoodhpa@hotmail.com. Thank you for your support.

Please note forms must be in by 4pm on Wednesday 9th November as there needs to be sufficient time to make the necessary supervision and catering arrangements.



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Code: 5HA1206



www.stampastic.co.uk

Code: Hazelwood

Number of seats required at £5 each: _____ (Please make cheques payable to "HPA")

Your name: _____

Your email address: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

Child's name: _____ Form: _____

Child's name: _____ Form: _____

Child's name: _____ Form: _____

Any specific dietary requirements: _____

Name of the person collecting your child/children if not you: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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book contact Simon Phillips on 07469 736 518
or Simon@1stRugby.com



**Oxted
& Limpsfield
Music Society**

Mishka Momen *piano*

Chiara Enderle *cello*

Saturday 19th November

8.00pm

Bawtree Hall

Hazelwood School, Limpsfield

The programme includes pieces by
**Beethoven, Schumann, Schubert, Chopin,
Bloch and Brahms**

Tickets £20 (under 25s £10)

**For reservations contact us via the message box
on the O&LMS website below:**

www.oxtedandlimpsfieldmusicsociety.org.uk



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You are invited to a
Charity Christmas
Styling and Shopping
Event -
Brain Appeal



Friday 11th November is all about style, make-up and accessories...Everything a woman needs for the Christmas Season...including special gifts! You are invited to see the ranges from Stella & Dot and My Showcase PLUS a talk from Emma Davison, Style Consultant on 'How to dress for a body confident you'!



11am-3pm Stella & Dot & My Beauty Showcase

6.30pm - 9pm Stella & Dot & My Beauty Showcase

2pm & 7.30pm Glass of Fizz & Talk on 'How to dress for a body confident you' with Style Consultant Emma Davison

@ Becketts, Hookwood Park, RH8 0SQ