

# The Nutshell



Hazelwood School



Welcome back and here's to the start of our wonderful adventure together. I am so delighted and proud to be leading the school as Head. Thank you for all your messages of support and encouragement. I am confident that together, working side by side in partnership with our excellent staff, we can ensure each and every one of our pupils a fulfilling, challenging and happy Prep School future. I look forward to meeting and chatting with as many of you as possible over the coming weeks and to sharing my early ambitions for the school both informally and more formally at the school and nursery Information Evenings I will be attending on both sites.

I can think of no better way to look ahead, and to be excited by the prospects that it holds, than to stand back and breathe in the new Baily Building whose doors were opened to the children and visiting parents on Tuesday afternoon. So many of you came to see what had been hiding behind the hoarding for the past thirteen months and without exception, I am glad to say, all were as impressed by the scale, the feel, the space and the light that the building and its design will afford our children as I am. It is truly a remarkable building and thanks must go to the team who have worked particularly hard over the last dwindling weeks, days and hours of the summer holidays to prepare it for handover. Already this week the whole site has been buzzing and I have loved watching the children on the roof terrace during their mid-morning and lunchtime breaks enjoying the views and the lungfuls of fresh air. It has breathed new life into the main building, putting it at the heart of our community, bestowing on it a landmark status as all walk past it on the way to the Baily Building.

The Willow Building too has been elevated in its status over the summer, taking on the guise of a STEM Building. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and with three dedicated maths teaching rooms, two science laboratories, an ICT suite, DT Workshop and Art Studio, Willow is a building which more than deserves its new title. The team are excited by the opportunities a continued focus on these key areas of the curriculum

affords and have already put in their request for patchwork carpet tiles and pink feature walls.



A jubilant Alex is standing in the Bawtree Hall within the new Baily Building

Over the summer the Maths Department, led by Mrs Phillimore, received the news it was hoping for. Alex Mylet, a pupil in last year's Year 6, secured an A\* in his GCSE maths exam. Only 6% of all candidates are awarded an A\* and only 4.4% of all candidates are under the age of fifteen years. Alex has joined an elite group – a group, a report on both Sky and BBC News, called 'genius'. We are so proud of his achievement, justly deserved.

Elsewhere the summer was notorious for the happy and safe arrival of two new members of the Hazelwood community. Both Miss Lloyd and Mrs Hardgrave gave birth, within 24 hours of each other, to the very handsome Lenny and exceptionally beautiful Emelia Grace. At one point they were in the same ward of the same hospital making it feel very much like a Hazelwood take-over! Mums, dads, babies and brothers are all doing fine.



And finally welcome to all our new children and new members of the staff. You join the school at a very exciting time in its history and we are delighted that you have chosen to enrich our school with your senses of purpose and humour, your experiences and expertise and your characters and personality. I look forward to getting to know you all better over the coming weeks and to delivering against the promises that the school made to each of you.

**Quote of the week:** returning to school after the holidays

*"It is one of those special days, like a birthday or Christmas when I wake up very early because it is so exciting"*



Welcome to Alex, George, Oliver, Natalie, Alex, Sebastian, Victoria, Toby, Felix and Tom. Welcome too to the children of Oak Reception whose first Hazelwood day was a blast!



**Good Luck** to everyone who is competing in the 4<sup>th</sup> Hazelwood HeroBear Triathlon in aid of Help for Heroes. With over 330 competitors ranging from the children in Robins to the mums and dads, it promises to be a wonderful event. Do come along and support. The races get underway from 9.30am and prizes will be awarded at 1pm on the Baily Building terrace. There will be light refreshments to enjoy and tours of the Baily Building from 11.30am. I am sure everyone will be grateful to have your support and to hear you cheer them all the way around the track. If you are unable to attend and wish to show your support to the children and adults racing and to the most worthwhile of charities, then you can donate online by following the link below:

<http://www.justgiving.com/Hazelwoodschoolherobeartriathloniv>

Mrs Louw, Mrs Twyman, Mr Tappin and Mr Walton will be hoping to show the younger members of staff taking part, Miss Wills, Mr Kempes and Mr MacDougall that when it comes to swimming, running and cycling, age brings you across the finish line ahead of youth!

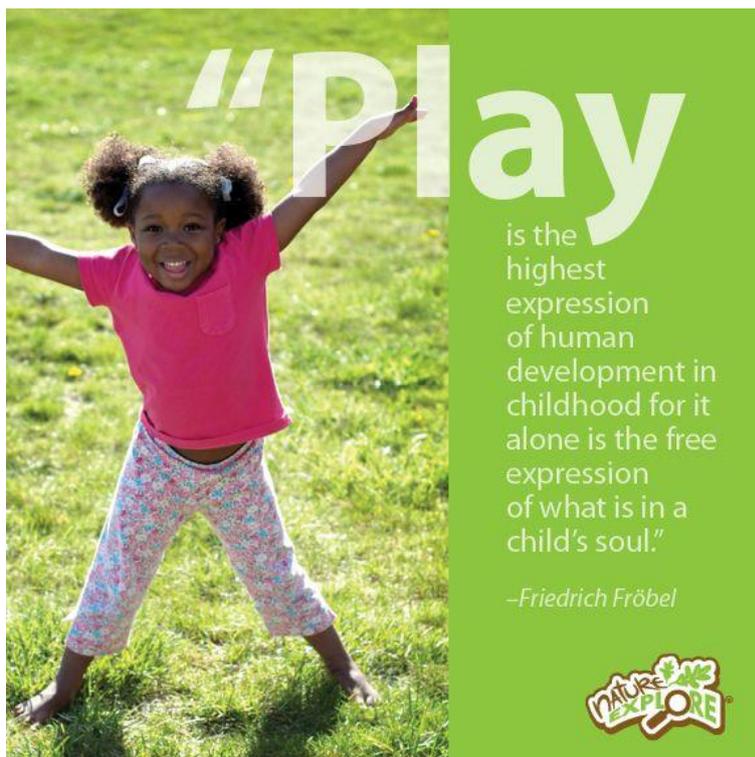
For a list of emails/letters/texts sent home each week please see the 'Notice Board' further down the Nutshell.

### News from The Nursery

Over the summer HNEY was a hive of activity and the children thoroughly enjoyed using the outside spaces and made excellent use of the new Gazebo. New paddling pools were also purchased enabling the children to fully immerse themselves in their water play which kept them cool during the soaring temperatures we had over the school holidays.

In August the children took part in the Woodland trust 'Invite a tree to tea event' and were thrilled to be having their picnics in new outdoor environments. Robins and Skylarks walked down to Glebe Field in Limpfield and had their picnic under the tree, whilst Wrens and Wags explored the Skylarks garden. Many thanks to kitchen team for making lovely delicious picnics for all.

Our new trundle truck turned heads all round Oxted this summer. The children loved being to go out with their friends and Wrens and Wags made several visits to Master Park. We have many more trips planned for later this term and throughout the year, enabling the children to safely explore different environments and widen their experience of the world.



The site has also had many new developments over the summer. We have new windows on the lower Robins building, there is new carpet in the back of Skylarks and the whole room has had a fresh coat of paint. Many rooms have had new furniture or indoor climbing equipment as well as a host of new resources. We have made a particular investment in our small world toys and there are a number of new wooden farms, garages, fire stations and even a medieval fort in the rooms to spark the children's imaginations. I would like to say a big thank you to all the staff and parents who have coped with disruption to rooms over the summer. Your patience and cooperation are very much appreciated.

The settling sessions over the summer have enabled many of the children to start the new academic year positively and enabled staff to build up relationships with all our new families. A big thank you to Jane for coordinating this.

As we start the new academic year we would like to extend a warm to all our new children, parents and staff. We have a number of new staff this year due to our growing numbers. In Fledglings 1 we welcome Laura Duffin and Kelly Charman. In Fledglings 2 we welcome Bronte Staples who joined mid-way through last term and in Robins we welcome Hannah

Penfold to the team. Hannah was appointed last term and spent the summer working in Skylarks. In Skylarks we welcome Howard Garlick who joins us from the main site, Michelle Devereux who started last term in Robins and Lindsay Harman. In Oak we welcome Monica Vaquinhos and Leigh Gyngell and finally in the office we welcome Many-Ann Fioroni who joins us from the main site after returning from maternity leave. Sandra Johnson has also joined the team working across the rooms when the need arises. We look forward to getting to know all the new faces over the coming weeks and months.



The children of Oak enjoy their first week in 'big' school

It has been a busy first week and the children have all coped admirably with all their new rooms and experiences. The children have fully immersed themselves in their learning and I have enjoyed getting to know them through my visits to their rooms as well as the weekly music and PE sessions. Thank you to all the parents for your co-operation during drop off and pick up, mostly this has worked fairly smoothly and we are endeavouring to tweak arrangements to ensure the most efficient and stress free process. Please do let your reps or the office know any ideas or feedback you may have so that we can ensure we get this correct.

The site will continue to have a flurry of active learning and I look forward to hearing and seeing all the wonderful things the children get up to as they grow and develop.

#### Dates for your diary:

Information Evening 15<sup>th</sup> September. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible at this event as it will give you a chance to find out the plans for your children for the academic year and also provides a valuable opportunity to speak to staff without the distraction of the children.

Scarecrow competition – Jane O’Keefe is organising a scarecrow competition to tie in with our Harvest celebrations if you would like to take part in this please see the flyer at the end of the Nutshell.



The nursery is pleased to announce that they are able, and very willing, to give a good home to any unwanted Lego that you may have lying around your house. It's very versatile and can help in many aspects of play and of learning. All welcomed donations should be brought along to the Nursery office. Thank you.



**Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Bawtree** who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary during the summer holidays. Hazelwood's longest serving Head returned to the school for a party amongst family and friends, many of whom had a close relationship with the school. They were treated to a concert in the Theatre followed by drinks and lunch.

Ronald and Christiane will be returning to Hazelwood on December 9<sup>th</sup> to share in the special Gala Concert being staged to officially 'open' the Baily Building and the auditorium which proudly carries Mr Bawtree's name.

**Congratulations** to three ex Hazelwood pupils all of whom received excellent A Level results in August. Molly Shaw was awarded three A\* grades with Chloe Sweetland and Emily Harwood each receiving an A\* and two A grades. All three studied at Hurstpierpoint College and have packed their bags to head off to their first choice university this autumn.

**Congratulations** to Max and Ruby Aylward and of course Sizzles who won two classes in the Oxted Dog Show supported by Hazelwood School. Winning the Poshest Pedigree and the Prettiest Bitch the stunning long haired daschund qualified for the Best in Show Final where she/he was awarded a rosette of merit making it a hat trick of rosettes for the much loved, and beautifully handled and presented, pooch.



**Double stream pick up will begin from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September.** With the reinstatement of all staff car parking spaces – we have more now than ever, we will be reverting back to the successful double stream pick up at 4pm and 4.30pm. Pupils will be available for pick up from the central reservation area in the main car park. Staff will direct traffic but please help by using all the area designated by the blue parking bays.

## WELCOME TO THE BAILY BUILDING

“Just wanted to say thank you so much for letting us look round the Baily building yesterday. We were all absolutely blown away by how fantastic it is and I just wanted to say a huge well done and thank you to everyone who has been involved - it really is incredible and the children are SO lucky to be able to have this new space, alongside the old ones, to continue their Hazelwood journey - do hope they appreciate it!! Look forward to seeing it in action!”



3R enjoy their new spacious classroom



4P are equally delighted with their space

“Following on from our wonderful tour of the Baily Building yesterday, I thought you might like to know that it has received the highest praise from our daughter, who hadn't seen it in its fully decorated state until today. 'Isn't it stunning!' I said. 'Yes!' she replied, eyes sparkling, almost lost for words. 'It's...it's as if it's been decorated by Boden!' There is no higher accolade in our house.”



Years 1-8 gather in the Bawtree Hall for assembly

“We thoroughly enjoyed our tour of the Baily Building yesterday and it made three people very keen to get to school this morning!”

“I know how hard the team has worked and it really did show - the building is a massive success one that everyone can be immensely proud of. Well done!”

“A huge well done for overseeing such a huge project, getting it delivered on time and with minimum impact on the day to day running of the school”

“Thank you to you and Josh for the fantastic tour of the Baily building yesterday. I thought it was amazing, completely and utterly exceeded my expectations. An enormous well done to all the Hazelwood team and everyone involved! I think the children are extremely privileged to have the opportunity to learn and grow in such a wonderful space!”  
**Thank you to all our Baily Building Ambassadors. Job well done on Tuesday!**





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# The alphabest of the new Baily Building, Ha-zelwood

- ☐ awesome auditorium ☐ bathed in natural light
- ☐ classrooms<sup>14</sup> ☐ dynamic design
- ☐ environmentally friendly ☐ food tech kitchen
- ☐ glass and plenty of it ☐ high ceilings
- ☐ interactive LCD screens ☐ just in time for September
- ☐ kaleidoscope of colour ☐ lower school art room
- ☐ majestic, magnificent and must-see
- ☐ natural ventilation ☐ outside learning spaces
- ☐ perfect teaching conditions ☐ quality finish
- ☐ reflective learning and curtain walling
- ☐ sweeping external staircase ☐ tree-lined approach
- ☐ undulating roof curves ☐ views to die for
- ☐ wide corridors ☐ xtra excited children
- ☐ years 3, 4 and 5 together under one roof
- ☐ zesty lime green colour-scheme

[www.hazelwoodschool.co.uk](http://www.hazelwoodschool.co.uk). Contact Nick Tappin on 01883 7 33841

**Lost and not yet found: Gray Nicholls cricket helmet**

Freddie Bosshard (last year's Year 6) did not return home with his brand new Gray Nicholls cricket helmet. Please can everyone check their kit bags to see if it was picked up inadvertently. Mr Tappin has one in his office with the name George Freeman inside. If this is yours, he is happy to swap it for the safe return of Freddie's. Thank you.



Aside from moving a large part of the school into the new building and elsewhere on site, the Estates Team have even found time for some therapeutic team painting. How many estates team members does it take to paint a bench? Steve Smith, our fab Facilities Manager then plucked up courage to have his head shaved for MacMillan Cancer. You can show your support or sympathy by visiting <https://bravetheshave.org.uk> and entering Steve's name. His is the ugly mug which pops up first!

### **Library news!**

Please hand in Summer Reading Challenge Forms by Friday 16th September.  
Please return library books taken out over the summer holidays!

THANK YOU to all who sent us postcards, pictures and book reviews! Wonderful! They are up on display!

Mrs Dymoke and Mrs Wisniewski

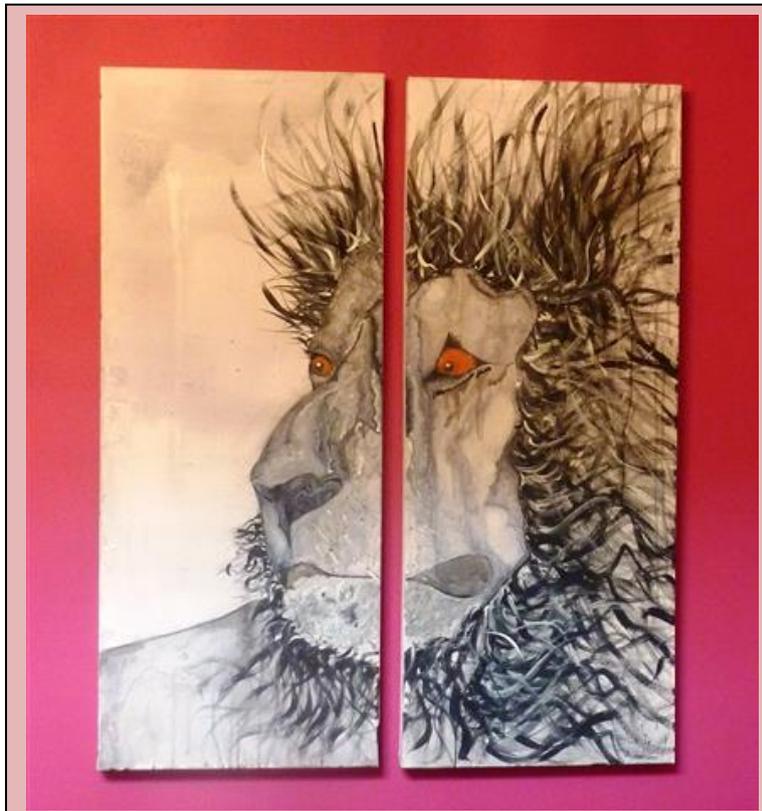
### **Year 8 Common Entrance Information Evening**

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Information Evening earlier this week. Dr Orr has addressed questions asked and has uploaded the full presentation in the Parents' section of the website. Follow the link below to access and download the information:

<http://www.hazelwoodschool.co.uk/parents-244/>

**Congratulations** to Charlie C in Year 3 who showed great initiative over the summer holiday by organising an old toy sale in aid of Help 4 Heroes and for Water Aid. Ably

assisted by her family, Charlie masterminded an event which raised a very creditable £34 thoroughly deserving the ice cream which she enjoyed whilst counting her takings.



This absolutely stunning picture was created by Charlie Bosshard over the summer holidays at one of Mrs Tulett's art courses. Charlie left to go to Worth with an Arts Scholarship and judging from this creation, his talent has gone from strength to strength. The school is very lucky to have been loaned the picture for a couple of months. It is proudly hanging in the main school reception with plans to move it into the Baily Building in a few weeks' time. Please do come and see it. It looks even more ferocious and spell-binding in the flesh. Well done Charlie.

### **Butterfly Lion reveals his Hazelwood connection**

This was the moment that Lottie, Maud, Alice and Violet came face to face with Michael Morpurgo at the Port Eliot Literary Festival. Michael told the girls that he used to play matches against Hazelwood as he attended a school in nearby East Grinstead.





## European Language Day

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September / lundi 26 septembre / lunes el 26 de septiembre / Montag, den 26. September

### A message to all pupils in Years 4-8

This year, we will treat everyone to a multi-themed day, starting with **French** breakfast, **Spanish** lunch and **German** tea!  
Watch this space for full details of the special menu which will be published in next week's Nutshell.

As part of the event, we will be running a **voluntary** book cover competition:

👉 On the cover of your **French / Spanish** exercise book, design a presentation relating to **France / Spain** or a **French / Spanish** topic.

➤ For example, you might want to print and glue a map of **France / Spain**, some traditional foods, monuments or even a photo of yourself on holiday in a **French-speaking** or **Spanish-speaking** country!

👀👀👀 In your first language lesson of week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> September, we will discuss the best three presentations per class and there will be a prize for all the winners.

This should be a fun activity and remember, it is voluntary.

À bientôt! / ¡hasta pronto! / bis später!

The MFL Department 🗺️



Richard and Felix prepare for the Year 7 Camp Out alongside Mrs Phillimore and Mrs Brighting. The evening has a western theme with the children being given the opportunity to lasso a pair of cows which have taken up residence on the top court. The teachers are praying for good weather and for plenty of sleep. Be careful what you wish for!

## HPA

### HPA Annual Quiz Night - Thursday 29th September - 7.30pm for 8.00pm

The annual HPA quiz night is nearly upon us and the HPA hopes that you will support this "free" social event. Put together a table with your year group or other parents across the year groups up to a maximum of 10 people for each table. It is a lively and very informal evening which is a good way for parents to meet up and also for new parents to integrate with their year and form reps with or without husbands/wives etc.

# **QUIZ NIGHT**

**Thursday 29th September**

**7.30pm for 8.00pm**

**Hazelwood Dining Hall**

**Maximum of 10 per team**

**Put your own team together**

**If you do not have a team to join, we will find you one!**

**Bring your own food and drinks to enjoy at your table**

**To enter your team, please email Sasha Latter on  
[sasha@mitchellstephenson.com](mailto:sasha@mitchellstephenson.com)**



Hazelwood Parents' Association

## **AUTUMN TERM 2016**

**THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER – QUIZ NIGHT**

**MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER – BODEN PARTY**

**TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER – HPA AGM**

**THURSDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER – FIREWORKS NIGHT**

**SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS FAIR**

***Save the date!***

***You are invited to the***

***Hazelwood Summer Ball***

***Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2017***

***Copthorne Hotel, Effingham Park***

*More details to follow in due course*

### **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](mailto:headspa@hazelwoodschool.com) 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.

### **Notice Board**

#### **Communications sent home**

The following letters have been sent home via email. If you have not received your copy and you feel you should have, please contact the school office for a duplicate. Thank you.

Year 7 CE Information Evening  
Chapel Choir Tour Reminder  
Cup Engraving Reminder  
Year 5 Oxted Geography Trip  
Year 5 DVD night  
Lower School Information Evening  
Year 8 Play

#### **FOR SALE: MAPEX DRUM KIT**

**Mapex VX 20 Fusion Trans Black  
with Zildjan Planet Z Cymbal Pack 14,16, 20 Set**

Including Mapex T250A / T270 A Stool Throne,  
set-up video  
and two pairs of drum sticks, various music books

**Condition:** Good

**Price:** £150

**Contact**

[Katharineplunkett@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Katharineplunkett@yahoo.co.uk)  
(01883 371308/07836 796 297)

*(We have the original packaging and would be happy to deliver to school).*



## Key Events for Next Week

### Monday 12 September

All After School Clubs start

### Tuesday 13 September

1330 Football: U9A Hawthorns Tournament (A)

2000 [HPA meeting](#)

### Wednesday 14 September

1430 Football: 1st XI, Colts A, B and C v St Michael's (A)

1430 Football: 2nd XI, 3rd XI, Colts D, E and F v St Michael's (H)

1430 Football: 4th XI v Handcross Park (A)

1430 Hockey: U10A-D v Lingfield Notre Dame (H) (ELC)

1530 Hockey: U11A-C/D v Reigate St Mary's (A) (RGS)

1600 Hockey: U13A V Combe Bank (A)

1900 Lower School Information Evening – The Bawtree Hall, The Baily Building

### Thursday 15 September

0835 House Meetings

1430 Football: U9 A-C v Solefield / Sevenoaks Prep (H)

1430 Football: U8 A-C v Solefield (A)

1900 [HNEY Information Evening – Paterson Hall](#)

### Friday 16 September

0845 Form Reps' meeting – The Old School Hall (TOSH)

[HNEY Board meeting](#)

1630 Year 5 Film Night

### Saturday 17 September

1000 Football: U11 A and B 5 aside St Michael's Tournament (A)

### Sunday 18 September

1400- Year 8 Play rehearsal

1700

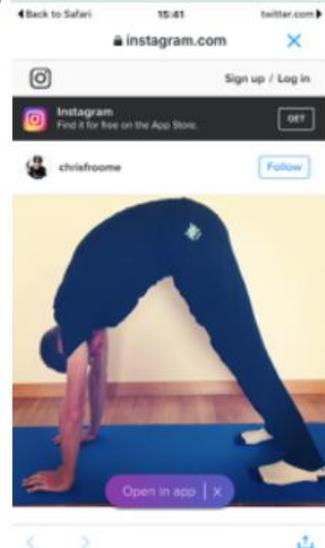
A few of the stunning shots taken by Moya Slade of the Baily Building. More to follow in next week's Nutshell. The essence of the building captured perfectly.



# MENS YOGA

TUESDAYS

BRASTED



## Why?

Keep those niggles away  
Improve core, strength and balance  
Flexibility  
Increased performance  
Unwind and relax  
Use it to complement your sport  
Many athletes such as Chris Froome and Ryan Giggs incorporate yoga into their training to increase their athletic longevity and aid recovery

## Siobhan Curtis

Yoga teacher, triathlon coach and ironman athlete  
I work with many athletes and have a unique insight as to how yoga can benefit sport as well as everyday life

7:30-8:30pm

Starting 20<sup>th</sup> September  
Brasted Pavillion  
School term time only

Siobhan Curtis

[07740 639919](tel:07740639919)

[siobhan@wildsideracing.co.uk](mailto:siobhan@wildsideracing.co.uk)



YOGA BUBBLES





**The  
Carpenters  
Arms**

**Coffee Mornings  
Starting on the 7th September 2016**

**Wednesday to Friday**

**9am - 11:30am**

**Coffee  
Tea  
Cakes  
And  
Breakfast rolls available**

**Contact us:  
01883 722209  
carpenters@westerhambrewery.co.uk**



# *Boden* Party

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

**20% off everything**

**plus free delivery and free returns**

Please put the date in your diary for the return of the Hazelwood Boden party.  
The new Autumn and Winter ranges will be TOSH on that day.

The party ordering code will be available to all Hazelwood and Nursery parents, children and staff so you can enjoy the benefit of the discount even if you cannot get to the party itself.

Boden will pay free commission to the HPA on anything ordered using the code so this is a great fundraiser for the HPA and a good discount for you too!

Please save up your new season Boden order until then as the discount at the party can't be beaten!



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