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School



Welcome to Reception

MEET THE TEAM

SEPTEMBER 2024

Meet the Team



Rowan

Miss Kal

Oak

Miss Romeril (YGL)

Maple

Mrs Barrett



Support Staff

Mrs Syed

Ms Antoniou

Mrs Collins

Mrs Soteriou

Mrs Lewtas

EYFS and Year 1 Phase Leader

Mrs Pearson



Our Vision and Values



At Hazelwood, we believe in nurturing responsible citizens to achieve educational excellence by inspiring awe and wonder through a real, relevant, immersive and purposeful curriculum.



Respect



Kindness



Resilience



Responsibility



Courage



Appreciation
& Understanding



Ambition



Creativity



Teamwork



Trust



Honesty



Fairness

Our shared values are at the heart of all we do.

Believe and Achieve



The School Day

Soft Start in the mornings **between 8:40-8:45am** – Children come straight into class, self register and complete early morning work.

Our first carpet session is phonics followed by free-flow until 11:00am.

We have our second carpet session at 11:00am and lunch is between 11.30am-12.30pm.

After lunch, we have our third carpet session followed by free-flow until 2:50pm.

Our school day finishes at **3:15pm**



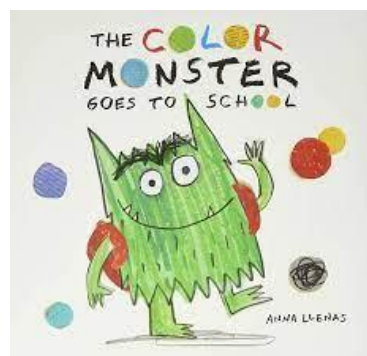


Our Aims

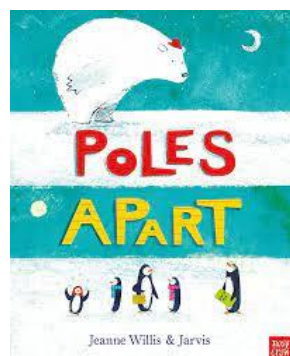
- To build upon the varying experiences children have had at home, nursery or playgroup
- To lay firm foundations for the next stage of learning for each unique child; responding to their individual needs
- To nurture positive relationships that enable children to feel secure and become confident and independent
- To encourage children to take risks and challenge themselves in their learning
- To provide stimulating and enabling learning environments that have open ended opportunities and allow children to follow their own interests through play
- To foster strong and supportive partnerships with parents

The Reception Curriculum

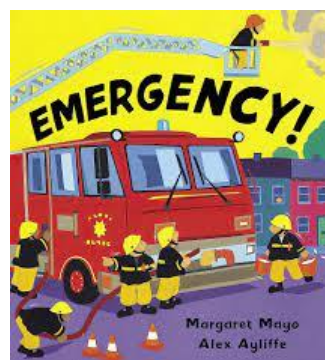
Over the year, the children will be working on different topics across the curriculum which will cover the key knowledge and skills outlined in the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework. Click here to access the [Reception Curriculum Overview](#) on the website.



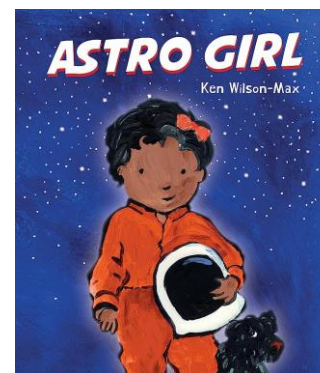
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New Beginnings



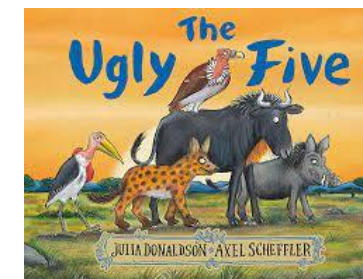
Autumn 2
All Around the World



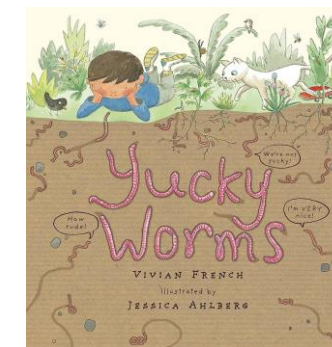
Spring 1
Our Community



Spring 2
Out of This World



Summer 1
We're going Wild



Summer 2
Mad about Minibeasts

Reading



In school:

Guided reading sessions
Daily phonics

At home:

The children will take **one decodable reading practise book** home every week when they begin confidently blending sounds together. The children's **reading books will be changed on a weekly rota.**

They will also have **one eBook practise book** that are carefully matched to your child's phonic knowledge.

If your child is reading it with little help, please don't worry that it's too easy – your child needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading.

Listen to them read the book. Remember to give them lots of praise – celebrate their success! If they can't read a word, read it to them. After they have finished, talk about the book together.

Reading



At home:

Book bags need to be brought into school everyday please as there will be opportunities throughout the school day where adults in the classroom will read with the children.

Reading for pleasure

They will also take a book home from our class library for their enjoyment. Please remember that you shouldn't expect your child to read this alone. Read it to or with them. Discuss the pictures, enjoy the story, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters, explore the facts in a non-fiction book. The main thing is that you have fun!

Celebrating reading

We would really appreciate it if you could read with your child everyday and record in your child's yellow reading record book.

eBook



The Collins eBook platform has been replaced by the Collins Hub, a new platform bringing together all of their digital resources in one place.

This means that you will receive log in details.

This book is the book that your child is reading in class and is carefully matched to their phonic knowledge.



Little Wandle
eBook Library

Collins
hub



Reading at Home

How can I best support my child?

- Recognise yourself as a **reading role model**
- Provide **varied exposure to texts** e.g. non-fiction, poems, comics
- Encourage children to develop reading **fluency** through use of discussed strategies
- **Question** children about what they read to support comprehension (who, what, where, when, why)
- Foster a **positive relationship** with reading to celebrate reading



Reading for Pleasure

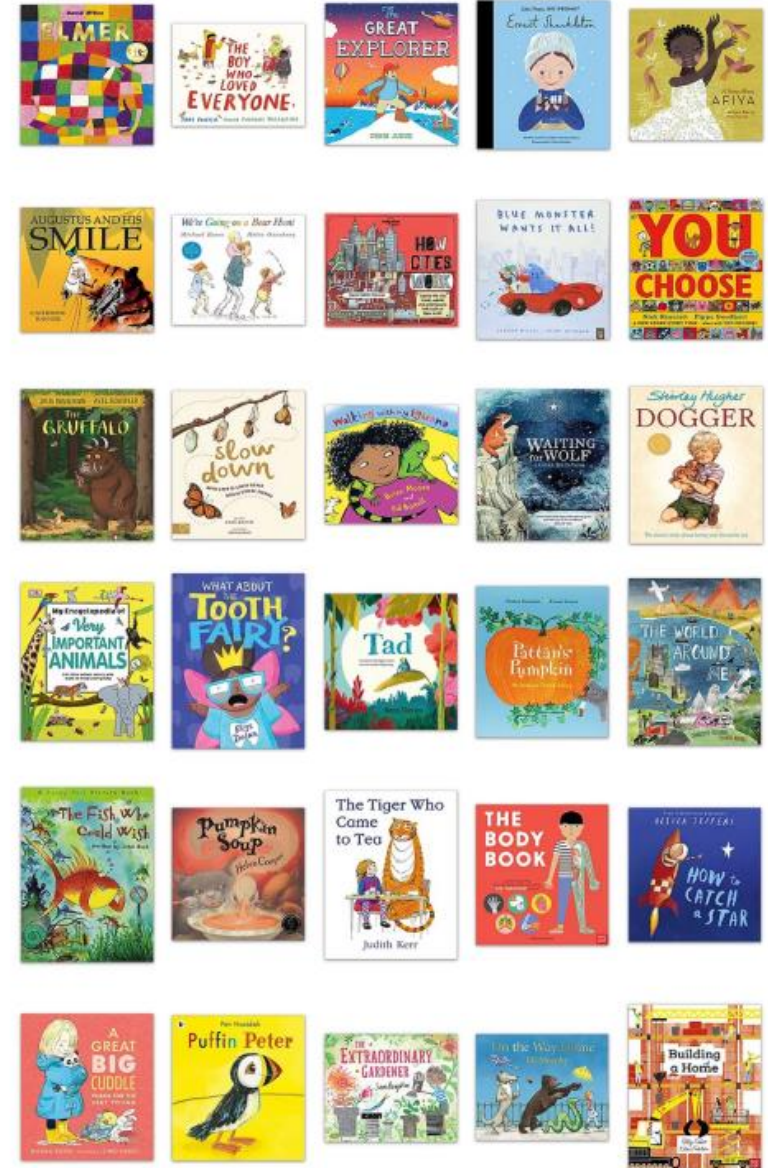
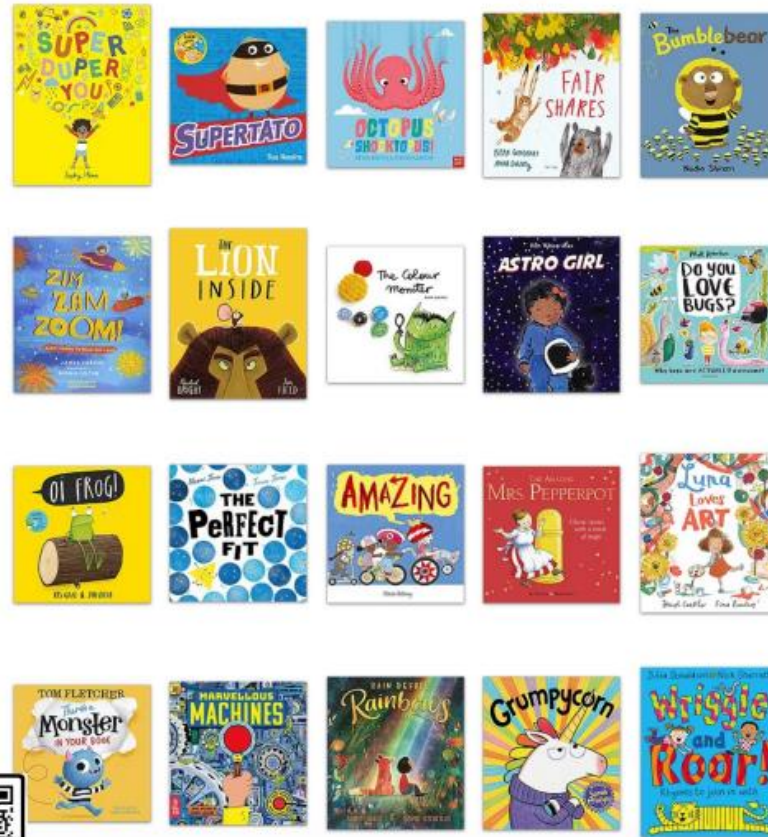


50 Recommended Reads for...

Reception

(ages 4-5)

Books for Topics



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www.booksfortopics.com/reception

For more primary school booklists, visit booksfortopics.com



Reception Curriculum

- Phonics and Mathematics are taught daily. In these lessons we focus on teaching the children key skills through practical activities
- Children will participate in writing and maths adult-led focus activities biweekly
 - Writing activities are recorded in focus books
 - Maths activities are recorded on Tapestry
- Continuous provision inside and outside the classroom is set up to allow children to apply their skills and knowledge independently
- Throughout the term we also have understanding of the world and expressive arts and design lessons linked to our topic

Tapestry



- At Hazelwood we use Tapestry (online learning journal) to share your child's learning journey through Reception
- If your child attended Hazelwood Nursery you will already have an account
- If your child did not attend Hazelwood Nursery, a link has been sent to you to set a new account
 - If you have not received a link, please let your child's class teacher know because a new one can be sent
- We use Tapestry to:
 - Share your child's learning with you via observations
 - Set weekly homework and half term optional homework
 - Post updates and reminders of upcoming events and dates

Tapestry



- On Tapestry we aim to share your child's:
 - Wow moments
 - Wider curriculum learning (e.g. making fruit kebabs, creating natural art, exploring magnets etc)
 - Biweekly maths adult-led focus activities
- **Twice a year** your child will have a focus week where you will receive more observations of your child's learning across the curriculum
 - We also ask that the weekend before you upload photos of what your child has been doing at home so they can share this with the class (e.g. holidays, birthdays, trips out etc)
- Even if it not your child's focus week, please upload photos of what they have been doing at home (also includes homework) because we love to celebrate their achievements
 - At some points throughout the year we will ask for all parents to share certain photos with a caption to support learning in class (for example, sharing family holidays to help us talk about different countries in the world)

Homework



Reading

In Reception, children will be allocated a phonetically decodable book (Physical and Ebook) once a week based on teacher phonics assessment, alongside a reading for pleasure book of their choice.

Expected Weekly Homework – Maths and Phonics

Weekly homework is set on a Thursday and can be found on Tapestry. Each week there will be a practical maths activity for you to complete with your child and a phonics activity which revisits the sounds taught that week in class. There are opportunities for reading and writing the new sounds.

Optional Homework Grid

Each half term an optional homework grid will be put on Tapestry with a range of activities for you to complete with your child. These activities are linked to each half termly topic and provide a range of opportunities across the EYFS curriculum: fine motor skills, writing, gross motor skills, Understanding of the World etc

Tapestry

When you complete any homework activities at home, please share them on Tapestry so they can be celebrated in class.



Things to look forward to

- Christmas Sing-along **Friday 13th December**
- Reception Forest School: **25th October, 12th December, 12th February, 14th March, 14th July**
- Special family assembly **Friday 21st March**
- Story Time with Reception **Friday 9th May**
- Class assemblies: **10th, 11th and 12th June**

Dates to be continued:

- Visit to a local church- as part of our RE curriculum
- Daffodil delivery to the local community
- Minibeast Day
- Visit to Palmers Green Library
- Animal workshop



PE



- PE day is: **Monday**
- Children should come to school in their PE kit on Monday
- Indoor PE kit should consist of: shorts, t-shirt, plus trainers
- Outdoor PE kit should consist of the same as the indoor kit, plus trainers, tracksuit bottoms and a long-sleeve top for cold weather
- Long hair should be tied back.
- No jewellery. For Health and Safety reasons, staff are not allowed to remove a child's earrings. This must be done either by the child or their carer beforehand.





School Uniform

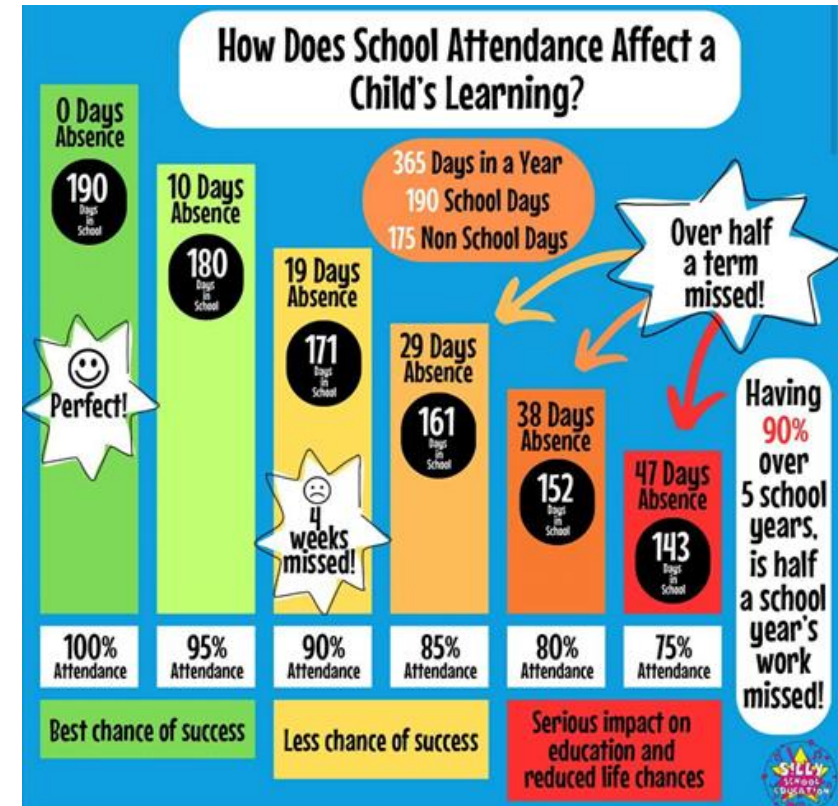
- Children should always be smart
- School jumper (worn or held, not tied around the waist)
- White or red polo shirt – always tucked in
- Black / grey trousers / skirt
- Black shoes (no coloured laces etc...)
- Hair should be tied back if long
- No nail varnish and stud earrings only
- No other jewellery unless for religious reasons (all jewellery must be removed for PE)



Attendance and Punctuality



- Please make sure your child attends every day and is on time.
- Being late has an impact on your child's self regulation, routine and learning.
- Attendance is important. Research shows that a 1% increase in attendance can lead to a 5% increase in attainment.
- However, please do not send your child to school if they are sick!
- New attendance guidance has been released in August, meaning that we will need to be tighter on the authorising of absences, particularly when a child is at risk of becoming a persistent absentee.
- Holidays during term time cannot be authorised under any circumstances



Reporting Absence



- To report an absence of any kind including appointments, please visit our website and on the top bar you will see the tab “Report an Absence” – alternatively, you can click here: [Report an Absence](#). Please use this system for all absences – there is no need to phone the office to check that this has gone through.
- Please ensure that all phone contacts are up to date as we operate a ‘first day’ calling process.

Lunch



Summer/Autumn 2024		Pork Free					Pupils Choice Extra Menu				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY					
		15 APRIL, 7 MAY, 3 JUNE, 24 JUNE, 15 JULY, 2 SEPTEMBER, 23 SEPTEMBER, 14 OCTOBER									
WEEK 1	MAIN MEAL 1	Creamy Chicken Pasta Bake	Herb Crusted Chicken with Spaghetti Marinara	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Favourite Quorn Hot Dog	Battered Fish Fillet					
	MAIN MEAL 2	Cheese & Tomato Quiche	Mild Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry	Mince Slice	Cheesy Spring Vegetable Bake	Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza					
	SIDE DISH	Potato Wedges	Brown & White Rice	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Diced Potatoes or Garlic Bread	Potato Wedges or Tricolour Pasta					
	COLD OPTION	Tuna Roll	Cheese Spread Roll	Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Baguette	Egg Roll					
	EXTRA OPTION	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)					
		22 APRIL, 13 MAY, 10 JUNE, 1 JULY, 22 JULY, 9 SEPTEMBER, 30 SEPTEMBER, 21 OCTOBER									
WEEK 2	MAIN MEAL 1	Tex Mex Quorn Fajita	Chicken Pie	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Burger in a Bun	Salmon Fishcake					
	MAIN MEAL 2	Creamy Macaroni Cheese	Moroccan Tagine	Plant Balls with Gravy	Roasted Summer Veg Pasta	Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza					
	SIDE DISH	Rice or Tomato Bread	Diced Potatoes or Couscous	Roast Potatoes or Brown & White Rice	Potato Wedges or Herby Bread	Oven Chips or Tricolour Pasta					
	COLD OPTION	Cheese Baguette	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Roll	Cheese Spread Sandwich	Egg Roll					
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		29 APRIL, 20 MAY, 17 JUNE, 8 JULY, 16 SEPTEMBER, 7 OCTOBER									
WEEK 3	MAIN MEAL 1	Chicken Curry	Grilled Quorn Burger in a Bun	Turkey Roast with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Lasagne	Fish Fillet Fingers					
	MAIN MEAL 2	Honey Mustard Sausage Roll	Rich Tomato Bolognese	Roast Quorn Fry with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Chopped Sausages with Gravy	Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza					
	SIDE DISH	Rice or Diced Potatoes	Potato Wedges or Spaghetti	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Herby Bread or Diced Potatoes	Oven Chips or Tricolour Pasta					
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Seasonal vegetables and a variety of salads are served daily. = Vegetarian = Vegan.

We are proud to use the following food brands: We are accredited by:

@hdcatering www.hcl.co.uk

- All children in London are currently are entitled to a universal free school meal.
- If you would like your child to have a school prepared lunch you need log in to your account and pre order this via **school grid**.
- You can to order lunches up to a term in advance.
- All Lunches must be order by 8.00am in the morning.

Welfare



Short Term Care Plans

- If your child needs to take medication such as antibiotics or hayfever medication for a short a period of time, please fill in a short term care plan which gives the school permission to administer the medication. This form can be filled in at the office.

First Aid

- Children will receive first aid from a member of first aid trained staff
- If your child has had a bump on the head you will receive a text
- You will be informed immediately of any serious injuries
- Any time that your child receives first treatment will be given a green (for first aid) or orange band (for bumped head) on their wrist
- If your child has vomited or had diarrhoea you would be asked to collect your child immediately and keep them off school for 48 hours





Other notes...

- **Healthy snacks only please** – no crisps or chocolate
- **Water bottles** – should be labelled and brought into school every day
- **No Nuts** – please be aware we are a nut free school & there are children with severe nut allergies.
- **Birthdays** – packaged items only, no items that may contain nuts (we have a number of vegetarian/halal children)
- **Speaking to us** – our relationship with parents/carers is really important. The best way is to communicate via email through the office with a reason why you need to speak to us and we will give you a call back as soon as we can! Or speak to SLT in the mornings or catch us at the end of the day.



Communication

- [Website](#)- here is the link to the Reception Page
- Tapestry- information about upcoming events and reminders will be sent via Tapestry
- Newsletters- every 2 weeks a newsletter is sent out celebrating what the children have been doing in class
- Weekly round-up- this will be sent out by the office with any important information and dates
- End of the day
- Emails

HPSA – Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning



You are invited to your new parents Coffee Morning on **Friday 27th September at 9.00am**. A chance to meet up with other new parents and HPSA. Bring cake and eat cake!



HPSA



HPSA NEEDS YOU!

**WE'RE A GROUP OF VOLUNTEER PARENTS WHO RAISE MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL. FUNDS GO TOWARD ITEMS THAT IMPROVE OUR CHILDRENS' SCHOOL LIFE: IT EQUIPMENT, SCHOOL TRIPS, ARTWORK AND MUCH MUCH MORE. WE'RE LOOKING FOR HELP FROM ANYONE THAT CAN VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND SKILL.
WE'RE LOOKING FOR...**

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CLASS REPS

TO DISTRIBUTE HPSA MESSAGES ON CLASSLIST AND CO-ORDINATE VOLUNTEERS FOR CLASS ROTAS AT EVENTS

STALL VOLUNTEERS

WE PUT ON TWO BIG EVENTS A YEAR, CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND SUMMER FETE. COULD YOU HELP RUN A STALL FOR AN HOUR ON THE DAY? SPEAK TO YOUR CLASS REP!

EVENT VOLUNTEERS

ARE YOU CREATIVE? CAN YOU FACE PAINT? PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? INTO GARDENING? GOOD WITH IT? ANY SKILLS OR IDEAS ARE WELCOME.

HPSA HELPERS

WE RUN OTHER EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR - JOIN CLASSLIST TODAY AND FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN HELP

NOT ON CLASSLIST YET?

REGISTER RIGHT AWAY! DOWNLOAD THE CLASSLIST APP ON YOUR PHONE OR VISIT WWW.CLASSLIST.COM - THEN SEARCH FOR 'HAZELWOOD SCHOOLS' FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM AND FACEBOOK TOO

To get involved or find out more, please come to one of our half-termly HPSA coffee mornings in the staff room. Look out for the posters and newsletters for the upcoming dates.

Everyone's welcome!



WhatsApp Groups & Social Media

Parents should adhere to the following guidelines when using class WhatsApp groups and when using online platforms:

- The WhatsApp groups/online platforms should never be used as a platform to air views/grievances regarding a teacher, child or parent in the class or school
- The WhatsApp groups/online platforms are not political platforms for airing opinions on current affairs
- The WhatsApp groups/online platforms should not be used for private conversations with anyone else using the group
- The WhatsApp groups/online platforms should be used keeping in mind mutual respect and cultural sensitivity between all its members

Social Media and Online Code of Conduct for Families



Parent Partnership



Parent Workshops and Information Sessions

Year Group	Workshop	Date and Time
Nursery & Reception	EYFS Communication and Language Parent Workshop	Tuesday 8 th October (9:10-10:15am)
Nursery & Reception	EYFS Maths Parent Workshop	Monday 3 rd February (9:00-10:00am)
Reception	Phonics Workshop <i>An introduction to the sounds your children will learn in Reception</i>	Tuesday 5 th November (9:00-10:00am)
Reception	Story Time! <i>An interactive story session for parents/carers with their children</i>	Friday 9 th May (2:30-3:15pm)

ESOL



to enrol, sign up at the Hazelwood office

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH AND MEET OTHER PARENTS IN OUR FRIENDLY AND FUN CLASSES

Where? Hazelwood Schools, Brambleberry

**When? Starts Thursday 19th Sept 2024
every Thursday 9-11 am until 5th Dec**

دورات مجانية في اللغة الإنجليزية. تحدث إلى المكتب لمزيد من المعلومات.

Cursuri gratuite de engleză. Discutați cu biroul pentru mai multe informații.

Δωρεάν μαθήματα αγγλικών. Μιλήστε στο γραφείο για περισσότερες πληροφορίες.

Безплатни курсове по английски език. Обърнете се към офиса за повече информация.

Kurse falas në gjuhën angleze. Flisni me zyrën për më shumë informacion.

Ücretsiz İngilizce kursları. Daha fazla bilgi için ofiste Selena'ya bakın.

School Website

www.hazelwoodschoools.org.uk



Any
Questions
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