



A bumpy, but hugely successful year

15 July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I remember predicting back in September that we would have a bumpy, but successful year. COVID certainly ensured that it was bumpy, and I hope that you agree the way we have pulled together as a community has made it a very successful one.

So successful that we had to add the Cs of contributing and community to those of character, confidence and creativity. I hope that the updates below help you get the most from Hazeley and that the end of term celebratory new letter inspires you to work even more closely with us in the years ahead - [Celebration Newsletter July 2021 \(office.com\)](#)

Home Testing

To keep you informed, we have today been notified of some more positive cases but the students are already isolating. Following track and trace protocol we have identified just one additional person as a close contact – the parents have been informed and the student is now self-isolating.

It is a strong reminder of the importance of the twice weekly lateral flow tests.

Mass Testing Information for when students return in September

The Government have asked us to do two rounds of mass testing of the school upon return 3 to 5 days apart. We have scheduled this so it will not impact at all on our planned return days which are:

Monday 6th September – Year 7 and 12 only in the Academy. They will test period 1 when they arrive.

Tuesday 7th September – all students arrive. Year 8 9 10 11 and 13 will test period 1 when they arrive.

The second tests will be done either on Thursday or Friday that week with minimum disruption to learning.

Plans for Summer School

We have received a massive interest in our summer school provision this year. If your child is coming to the provision and you need to get in touch, please use summerschool@thehazeleyacademy.com as this email will be monitored over the summer break.

The BBC were in school today chatting to some of our students and staff about the summer provision. Look out for us on the BBC early evening news tonight!

How We Can Support Learning Over the Summer

Summer holiday homework has been prepared for all students to help secure this term's learning and to prepare for the next academic year. Whilst it's essential that we all have some down-time over the Summer, we also want our students make a flying start in September. The Summer homework will be set on Microsoft Teams and tasks will be appropriate to your child's age. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Williamson if you need any support

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Free School Meals

We are pleased to advise that the Government has provided additional grants to fund Free School Meal vouchers via our local authority under the Covid Holiday Help Scheme. Milton Keynes Council has chosen to use the Edenred National



Voucher Scheme for schools to distribute to parents. Many of you will be familiar with this system as it was the one used during all previous national lockdowns. If you need more information – please click here - [download.asp \(thehazeleyacademy.com\)](https://www.thehazeleyacademy.com/download.asp)

Please see below a message from your child's Progress Leader.

Stay safe and have a wonderful summer.

Mr Nelson

Year 12 Message from Mrs Mayles

I know we have said it numerous times this year already, but we have been constantly amazed and blown away by all the students in Year 12 this year. Their collective work ethic, motivation and commitment has been outstanding, and they should be incredibly proud of themselves as we are. They have not been phased by their bubble being sent home or lockdown and reverting to online learning, which for many of them was so new having not experienced it in the first lockdown. This level of resilience and strength of character will hold them in good stead for their future. Over the last term they have tackled their UCAS exams, having been over 18 months since their PPEs in year 11, this was a stressful time for many, but yet again they have rose to the challenge. Over the last year we are conscious that many of the opportunities they would have had through enrichment and drop-down days have not been available to them, some students however have actively volunteered in the gardening project at Loughton Baptist Church, touring the new students for next year's Year 12 and helping with this year's virtual induction. We are looking forward to the return to more of these activities and opportunities in September, which I know they will make the most of.

I would like to say a big thank you to the sixth form tutor team, who as always have supported the students throughout the year. We also wish Mrs Tokatly good luck as she will be leaving at the end of this term, Mr Hall and Mr Laurie will be joining the tutor team to replace her and increase our tutor group numbers.

Mrs Mayles