



the Hazeley ACADEMY

SIXTHFORM 2023 ~ 2024





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THE HAZELEY SIXTH FORM

Welcome to Hazeley Sixth Form. If you decide Hazeley is the place for you, you will embark on a two-year progressive journey which builds your Character, Confidence and Creativity, offers you the opportunity to contribute to our community, and thoroughly prepares you for your chosen destination whether that is going to university, taking up an apprenticeship or entering full time employment. Our aim is to help you smoothly transition from Key Stage 4 into Key Stage 5, where you will be stretched and challenged but always supported to be the best version of yourself that you can be. Many of you are completing the final two years of a seven-year Hazeley journey, however many of you will come to us from neighbouring schools and towns and will very quickly be integrated into the Academy community and Sixth Form life.



The Journey starts before you fully enrol with us, through the support and guidance we give you to ensure you make the right subject choices and pathway that is right for you. You will see from the subject information and application form on our website that we offer different routes which are designed to help ensure you access a pathway suitable for you. Whether you take our broad and balanced A-level offer route, or either one of our specialist vocational routes in Health and Social Care or Business and IT. You will be taught by our excellent and experienced Key Stage 5 teachers who have a passion for their subjects and are always willing to go above and beyond. In addition to your subject teachers, you will find the Sixth Form tutors and leadership team on hand to support you. At Hazeley we are very proud of the structured intervention we have in place to ensure you achieve your best.

In addition to your studies, we provide you with a wide range of enrichment activities that allow you to obtain additional qualifications such as EPQ, Core Maths, Duke of Edinburgh's Award and many volunteering opportunities. Alongside this our Principal Students and Senior Student team provide you with the opportunity to shape and develop your Sixth Form.

Our Basketball Academy and elite sports provision will allow you to balance performance at top level sport, alongside your education and achieving excellent outcomes. As part of our Basketball Academy, you will access top class coaching, fixtures, links to clubs as well as coaching and leadership skills.

Hazeley has a strong tradition and an exciting future in the following prospectus will also give you a further insight into STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) subjects. Expert teaching and leadership have led to outcomes which frequently places many of these subjects in the top 10-15% in the country in terms of progress. Students consistently go on to the top universities, including Oxford, Cambridge, Warwick, Birmingham and Bath.

2018 saw the launch of our STEM+ programme in which we take the student experiences to the next level. This will hopefully include an opportunity to visit CERN and STEM employers such as Amazon talks on a range of STEM careers and subject interest areas, as well as much more.

Our most recent partnership with the Nursing Cadet's scheme has been exceptional and very exciting for our Health and Social Care students, who have the opportunity to complete individual placements within different settings within the Health and Social Care sector, which is so valuable for those who want a career within this sector.

Our aim is simple - Hazeley will be the very best place to study these subjects.

We are very proud of our Sixth Form and our students. Those of you who attend our Sixth Form open evening will see the pride and the passion of our students yourselves, as they will be on hand to guide you round the different subject areas and talk to you about their experiences. The following prospectus will also give you a further insight into life in the Sixth Form from the students' point of view.



Thank you for your interest in the Hazeley Academy.

Mrs Mayles,
Head of Sixth Form

WHAT MAKES OUR SIXTH FORM SPECIAL?

You will experience a dynamic learning environment which will allow you to achieve your potential and beyond, both in your chosen subjects but also through numerous opportunities available to develop your life skills and the qualities needed for life after Hazeley.

‘Moving from Year 11 to Sixth Form is a big leap both academically and personally, no matter which school you choose. The difference between Hazeley and other sixth forms is the support of peers and staff, the many opportunities and academic freedom to study as you see fit. The staff aim to work out the best way to support you with your A-levels and introduce you to the post-18 options in your subject. Not only do they support you academically, but they also understand the pressures and difficulties of doing A levels, which was just as important to me. Hazeley has provided me with many opportunities at school and in the wider community which have been incredibly valuable to my personal development and perfect for my personal statement when applying to university. I have more independence and motivation when I can study in a way that suits me and I can choose from the many quiet study areas offered. While here, I’ve been able to blossom in character and have the confidence to continue my future aspire in university and beyond.’

Chelsea

‘I believe that what makes the Hazeley Sixth Form special is that there’s a variety of study and sixth form spaces to use, from the library and independent study, which can be used for quiet revision; the pavilion and hub for a more cooperative environment with friends or peers from your subjects; or even the canteen, which can be used to wind down and have downtime with your friends after a busy day. This makes the sixth form unique because it means we all have spaces to go to work or relax, in silence or in a more friendly environment, depending on your mood, so it’s suited to all. This also makes us more motivated, because having the opportunity to work with friends is beneficial, as to help concentrate and stay focused whilst working, we must also have some study breaks. The social spaces can also help us make new friends with people who are taking similar subjects as us, which creates a positive and happy environment for the whole sixth form. Finally, the many different study spaces help increase our independence due to self-regulation, as we choose when to have work breaks, or what resources we need and when to have a productive period.’

Millie

'The Hazeley Sixth Form is special because it provides fantastic study spaces that allow students like me to excel in their studies, such as the Pavilion. Additionally, the teachers and staff are friendly, approachable, and genuinely care about each student's well-being. Whether you need help with a particular subject, a university application, or a personal matter, teachers are always available to assist. Furthermore, the Sixth Form also offers a variety of enrichment opportunities that enhance the overall educational experience, such as sports and the arts. As well as offering valuable resources and facilities, they also provide an excellent library that further enhances learning. It has a nurturing environment where students can flourish academically and socially. Hazeley Sixth Form prepares all its students for the future, and thanks to their support, I can thrive and achieve my goals.'

Thierry

'Exceptional student support is what makes the Hazeley academy special. Our sixth form focuses heavily on creating outstanding and well-rounded students destined to succeed in their desired careers; a healthy balance between academics and extra-curricular opportunity, like equality group or the senior student team, means that students here at Hazeley get exemplary grades but develop as people too. Furthermore, such potential is never wasted here at Hazeley, with access to an expert careers advisor it is easy to figure out which path is best suited for you and what you need to do to achieve greatness.'

Bruno

'One of the greatest things about our sixth form is our diverse and supportive community. We have a wonderful sixth form team, who are here to help with, not only with exams and post-18 future, but to support you emotionally and mentally through your journey here at sixth form. Your subject teachers push you to help you achieve those grades and goals that you desire to achieve. Moreover, your year group are respectful, and they are also here to help you. This can be studying with them with the space provided or going to them with any help you need. I guess the best thing about our sixth form is the people who really make your sixth form experience by helping you and pushing you to succeed.'

Ammara



SETTLING IN

The transition into Sixth Form is never easy whether you are new to Hazeley or have been here since Year 7, but you will soon feel settled and part of both the Sixth Form and the whole Academy community.

'Although I was an internal student, I still knew that the change from Key Stage 4 to Sixth form would be huge, and that it would not be easy to get used to. However, straight away all the staff and older students began helping us with anything we needed and all the questions we had. The way everything was explained and laid out, all the resources they provided to the students, it really helped with motivating us to do our work and develop a routine.'

Mikel

'At first, I was quite nervous to join sixth form as I was told that it was a huge leap both academically and in terms of independence. I thought I would have to manage it alone, but because the Sixth Form at Hazeley is such a tight knit supportive community both students and staff helped me to easily navigate the first few difficult weeks.'

Jeanne

'As an external student, starting at a new school without any of my close friends made me extremely scared and nervous. However, after a few weeks I felt less nervous due to how welcoming everyone was, both students and teachers. I was able to make lots of new friends and everyone was very friendly as they showed me around the school and guided me to my lessons.'

Blessing



'Starting Hazeley as an external student, I was nervous that I would struggle with settling in, however the staff and students created such a welcoming environment that I soon realised this was the best decision for me. For me coming to Hazeley has allowed me to improve my confidence and become more independent which has helped prepare for the next stage of my learning journey.'

Lucy

'Joining the Hazeley Academy in year 12 was a big change for me, as I came from a school in Sri Lanka which is completely different to the schools in UK. Despite having to adjust to the new syllabus and style of learning, I was able to overcome the challenges and fit into the year group well, thanks to community at the Hazeley Academy. They made settling into Sixth Form here in the UK so easy for me. All teachers have given so much advice when it comes to studies and universities, and I am ever so grateful for them. All the people I've met over these two years have been so kind and generous and have made my years here at Hazeley incredible.'

Nehan

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Leadership is very important in the Sixth Form. You will have many opportunities to develop your character, confidence and creativity, as well as contributing, further developing, and progressing your Sixth Form.

‘Becoming one of the principal students has allowed me to further develop my confidence in leadership and public speaking as well as my connections within the wider school community. The student body is very connected to the Teaching Staff, with strong communication links which enhances the supportive atmosphere of the Sixth Form. Student leadership not only provides the opportunity for a growth of skills and confidence for individuals, but also the opportunity to work collaboratively within a group and be an engaged member of society. I am proud to have been selected to represent this vibrant community and enjoy contributing to numerous projects as I feel the school creates a safe and supportive environment for myself – and other students – to voice our opinions, assisting in the preparations for my next steps towards a political career.’

Lydia



‘Being able to contribute to my school community, is one of the many reasons I love my role as a principal student. What first got me excited by the role was the way I could influence decisions and help improve the school from a student’s perspective. You are not only given adult responsibilities but held to the standards of everyone around you to the highest level which for me was a deciding factor as it helps develop me as a person for life outside of sixth form and moving into the working world. What being a student leader is. It’s working in a team of individuals who come together and bring ideas from all over the school. We are the voice between student and teacher whether that be a year 7 student or a year 13 student, the team wants to help and support everyone because no question, query or thought is ignored. Our weekly meetings are productive, and every idea is voiced with equal concern to the next because we want change to make the school a better place.’

James

‘Becoming a part of the senior student team and working alongside the principal student team has built my confidence in so many ways. We are offered various opportunities to make the Hazeley sixth form community a more welcoming and lively space for students to study in. As an individual, it has shaped me to break out of my comfort zone and engage in different events within the society, such as leading the anti-bullying student group, which is a key skill that will help me in life after sixth form. Making a difference is something highly important to me so being part of this team means that my opinions are heard, and a positive change is made to the sixth form.’

Poovitha

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DESTINATIONS

You will be encouraged to have high aspirations and develop the confidence, character and skills to leave the Academy fully equipped to be successful at University and Further Education, apprenticeships and in the world of work.

'I went into sixth form at Hazeley to study Business, IT and Geography. Hazeley has showed me all the different pathways I could take after sixth form and introduced me to degree apprenticeships, which I had not heard of previously, and immediately my mind fixated on degree apprenticeships and how I could get a place on a course. I attended an apprenticeship group with the sixth form team and other students who desired the same route which helped me massively in the processes of applying, being interviewed and other steps in the process. I am now going on to do a Business Management Degree Apprenticeship and Hazeley's help and support was a major part of my success in gaining a place on the apprenticeship which I am grateful.'

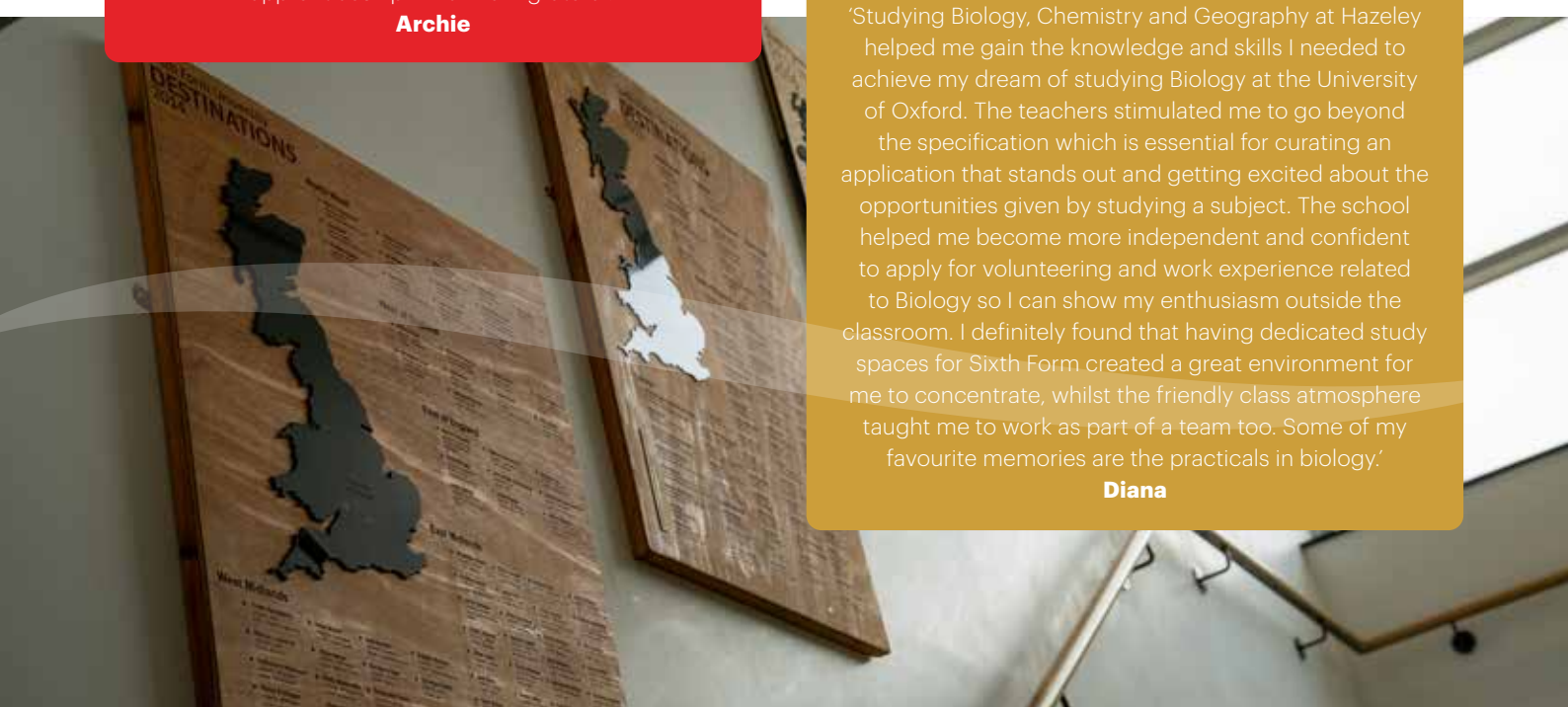
Archie

'I studied Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics to then go on to study Veterinary Medicine at The Royal Veterinary College London. Hazeley provided me with unconditional support with both my subjects and my application to university. My teachers resolved any queries I had about content and gave priceless advice for exams. Additionally, the school helped to strengthen my ability to get into my first-choice university by giving feedback on improvements for my application. I could not have asked for any more support from Hazeley.'

Anabel

'Studying Biology, Chemistry and Geography at Hazeley helped me gain the knowledge and skills I needed to achieve my dream of studying Biology at the University of Oxford. The teachers stimulated me to go beyond the specification which is essential for curating an application that stands out and getting excited about the opportunities given by studying a subject. The school helped me become more independent and confident to apply for volunteering and work experience related to Biology so I can show my enthusiasm outside the classroom. I definitely found that having dedicated study spaces for Sixth Form created a great environment for me to concentrate, whilst the friendly class atmosphere taught me to work as part of a team too. Some of my favourite memories are the practicals in biology.'

Diana



ENRICHMENT

At Hazeley you will be given numerous opportunities to grow and develop outside of the curriculum, through our Wednesday afternoon enrichment, which includes volunteering opportunities within our community, Duke of Edinburgh Award, EPQ, Core Maths, Debating club, sport and much more.

'The Hazeley Academy Sixth Form strongly encourages students to get involved with the community outside of everyday classes. From enrichment subjects on Wednesdays such as Core Maths that have helped me apply my mathematical knowledge to the real world to volunteering at the Oxley Park primary school where I supported younger students and developed communication and leadership skills, Hazeley goes above and beyond to create opportunities to participate in and to develop yourself into a better citizen. The variety of enrichment opportunities is vast to guarantee that all students find an area that they can dedicate their time to and will continue to expand alongside new global issues.

Not only will my enrichment help me stand out as an exceptional candidate in my personal statement and CV in the future, but it has already helped me develop into a better person through the community-driven environment that Hazeley creates.'

Urzula



'For my enrichment I chose to be a subject ambassador for computer science. It was a really interesting experience where I got to learn about how to work with and be patient when teaching the younger years. I was able to learn from the experiences of my peers and compare them to my own. This experience made me realise that I enjoy teaching and talking to others about a subject area that I am passionate about. Coming to The Hazeley Academy will allow you to also have the opportunity to give back to the community by teaching and helping younger years.'

Nifemi

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BASKETBALL ACADEMY AND ELITE SPORT

You will be given the opportunity to become an elite student athlete, balancing your studies with top level coaching, training, and fixtures, as well as you having the opportunity to develop your leadership and coaching abilities.

‘The basketball academy is a great place to develop skills on the court and off. Learning how to manage our time and work. Hazeley is perfect for anyone playing a sport as they accommodate many of your special requirements.’

Ewan



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You can study one of three pathways in the Sixth Form, which will be dependent on what you want to do when you leave and also your prior attainment at GCSE.

Route A

This route allows you to opt for any of the level 3 subjects list in the subject information on our website. The entry requirements are 8 GCSEs 9-4 (or equivalent), plus the individual subject entry requirements. All subjects in this route require you to achieve a 6 at GCSE in that subject. Apart from: Maths 7; Further Maths 8; all of the Sciences require 6 in two GCSE sciences and a 6 in Maths. If you have not studied a subject at GCSE but wish to take it as a level 3 subject, your other GCSE subjects will be taken into consideration and will be discussed at interview.

Route B

Through this route you will take BTEC Health and Social Care which is a double option and Sociology A-level. The entry requirements are 5 GCSEs at 9-4 including English Literature or Language at 4 or above.

Route C

Through this route you will take BTEC Diploma in Business Studies, which is a double award and BTEC Extended Certificate in IT. The entry requirements are 5 GCSEs at 9-4, including either English or Maths at 4 or above.

If you do not achieve a 4 in either GCSE English Literature or Language or GCSE Maths you will have to re-sit these courses. If you do not achieve a 5 in GCSE English or Maths you will meet with the Sixth Form team to consider whether re-taking the GCSE will be of benefit to you in relation to your pathway.

The Basketball Academy can be taken alongside any of the above routes. Students will be invited to some initial training sessions to decide whether a place will be offered in the relevant sporting academy.

Individual subject course information can be found in the Sixth Form section of our website **www.thehazeleyacademy.com**



APPLICATION PROCESS

All applications are made online and details can be found in the Sixth Form section of the Academy website - www.thehazeleyacademy.com

Once you have applied you will have a progression meeting to discuss your subject choices and future plans. Conditional offers will then be made, based on the published grades being achieved in your chosen subjects. The acceptance form must be returned to accept this conditional offer. You will then be invited to our induction days in June.

Enrolment will take place on GCSE results day in 2024. If you do not achieve the entry requirements, options can be discussed with a member of the Sixth Form team.

For further enquiries about admissions or courses, please contact the Sixth Form team: **sixthform@haz5d.com**

All applications are considered on merit and everyone is welcomed irrespective of gender, sexuality, disability, race or religion. A copy of our admissions policy can be found on our website.

We are currently working with Shenley Brook End Sixth Form in relation to a joint provision in some subjects.

If you would like more information, please contact the Sixth Form team: **sixthform@haz5d.com**

Please note courses may be subject to change dependent on numbers.

Full details of course content and all other key information can be found on our website **www.thehazeleyacademy.com**

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via **sixthform@haz5d.com**



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