

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read the key messages in this parental update which includes important information including upcoming events. The closer we can work together, the more your child can gain from their experience at Hazeley and the stronger our community can grow.

### Year Group Messages

#### **Whole school - careers week**

The 6<sup>th</sup> –11<sup>th</sup> March is National Careers Week, where we will be further celebrating the connection between the learning in lessons and careers. If you are looking for resources to help you to help your child, think about careers, you may find some of the guides at the following link useful. [NCW One Stop Shop \(ncw2020.co.uk\)](http://ncw2020.co.uk)

#### **Year 11 - PPE examinations**

During the week beginning the 20<sup>th</sup> March, Year 11 will be conducting their final round of PPE examinations before the summer. These will be in maths, English, science, history and/or geography. The students will not have study leave during this week and will be expected to attend all other lessons around the examination timetable.

#### **Year 11 - Key dates**

As we move to the final stages of Year 11, we would like to share some key dates of the events for the remainder of the academic year. Details concerning each event will be sent out separately.

- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May - Period 5 – Y11 leavers lead lesson.
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Year 11 move onto amended timetables where they only need to attend lessons for those subjects, they still have examinations in.
- Half term (week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> May) The academy will be open from Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May until Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June between 9am – 3pm if students wish to come in and use the study hub/computer rooms, with staff support to complete important revision for their exams.
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Year 11 prom. The prom will be held from 7.15- 11pm at the Leonardo Hotel in Milton Keynes.
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Sixth Form induction. All students must attend as part of their conditional offer.

#### **Year 11 – Apprenticeship Show**

The National Apprenticeship show takes place at Stadium MK on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2023. Although this falls on a potential strike day, we will still look to facilitate this event for our invited students.

### General messages

#### **Life Skills update**

This term has seen lots of opportunities for our students to develop their character such as taking part in the Milton Keynes Youth Cabinet election where seven of our students took part, created their own manifestos and then the whole school voted for their candidate. In Life Skills lessons we have covered a range of topics including healthy relationships where year 7 considered how relationships involve honesty, trust, respect and open communication and the importance of making compromises where necessary. There were also lessons on financial awareness

thinking about the choices we all must make every day and lessons on body image and self-esteem with the use of social media having an impact on wellbeing - students learn strategies to deal with challenging situations. We welcome feedback from parents on any aspect of our Life Skills programme, how we deliver the lessons and the content we cover. Please do not hesitate to contact [lmckenzie@thehazeleyacademy.com](mailto:lmckenzie@thehazeleyacademy.com) with any thoughts or reflections.

### World Book Day

Alongside all the fun fancy dress, staff have been talking books - sharing things that they love to read by displaying them on their classroom and office doors. In the library today, students have been 'speed dating with a book' - taking two or three minutes to reflect on the cover, blurb and to read a few pages to see if it's a book they'd like to read in the future. This has led to a lot of new 'book matches' - and students are looking forward to taking home something they might not usually read! Visit [The Hazeley Academy | Facebook](#) for photo updates of our wonderful World Book Day 2023.

### Readathon

Following our successful World Book Day, we would love as many students as possible to join the Read for Good Readathon! Please find more information here - [Readathon!](#)

### Allotment club



#### The Hazeley Academy Allotment Club

Our P6 Allotment Club will **run every Wednesday in term time, from 3.15 till 4.15 pm.**

It's open to **all year groups** and it will be a mix of indoor and outdoor (when it's warmer and sunnier) fun activities.

If you have any questions send an email to [isousa@thehazeleyacademy.com](mailto:isousa@thehazeleyacademy.com)

Or sign up via Arbor.

Kind regards,

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