

Hazelwood Academy celebrates 1st anniversary!



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It's a year since Hazelwood converted to an Academy and there are many developments to reflect upon and lots of exciting opportunities on the horizon for our pupils.

We are looking forward to the introduction of our dynamic new curriculum, which will include creative, fun, practical outdoor learning in our fantastic grounds, as well as drama and sport within the school day. Each child at Hazelwood can expect a personalised learning experience from the beginning of their journey when they join our Nursery at three, to the point of transition to secondary school at the end of Year 6.

Our sports provision is also going from strength to strength and parents have given us valuable feedback about how we should spend the sports funding we have been given. Plans include extending the range of clubs available to pupils; providing coaching and mentoring for existing staff; improving resources for both indoor and outdoor sports provision and promoting the playing of competitive sports and healthy active lifestyles amongst our pupils.

Some pupils from our School Council have been busy meeting with the Head, School Business Manager and MD from Signet Signs to discuss what markings they'd like on the playground to complement the new fitness trail which has been installed. The children have chosen Piggy In Middle Circles, Tag Bases, Skipping Bases, Twister, Hopscotch and What's The Time Mr Wolf. All these markings are now complete!

Headteacher, Suzanne Lloyd, says "Our first year has been an exciting time of change with a number of developments in both staffing and curriculum. We now have opportunities for children to work with a range of specialists on activities including drama, sports coaching and Forest Schools Education. In September we will be offering French to pupils in Key Stage 2. The development of our adventurous and outdoor entitlement continues; following the successful installation of the climbing wall the children are looking forward to developing their health and fitness using the new playground trail."

So we have had a very busy first year as an Academy! We are lucky to have a fantastic and vibrant learning environment at Hazelwood and look forward to meeting challenges and exceeding expectations over the next 12 months too!

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Note to Editors

- Hazelwood Academy is a one form entry primary school and nursery in Toothill
- It is part of the Academies Enterprise Trust (AET) which firmly believes all young people deserve to become world class learners, to learn, enjoy, succeed and thrive in a world class educational environment possessed of the best facilities, the best teaching and the most up to date resources
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