

HAZELDENE HOUSE



21 October 2022



Dear Hazeldene girls, parents, and staff,

It is difficult to believe that one half term is already complete. I know the girls are looking forward to the half term break after a busy and productive first half term. I hope they enjoy this break, and it is both restful and restorative, so they return rejuvenated next half term.

The highlight of Michaelmas term has long been the House Song competition and the girls have been busy rehearsing for many weeks and I have been so proud of their House spirit and positive attitude, it culminated in the event on Tuesday and all their hard work was rewarded with them receiving the winners' trophy. We couldn't be more proud of every single one of them.

I hope you enjoy the House news this week and as always, do let me know if I can help in any way.

Best wishes,

Miss A. Linehan
Houseparent, Hazeldene House.



Winter Uniform

Please do remember that girls should return to school in their winter uniforms. A full list of uniform is available on the School website.



All students should please attend a Remembrance Sunday service at the School on the morning of Sunday 13 November:
Fourth Form – 9.15am
Fifth and Sixth Forms – 10.15am
Please meet in the House at the times shown above.



HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS

Thank you to all those who donated items for our Harvest Festival collection, we were overwhelmed with donations in aid of the Bromsgrove Basement Project, helping to support disadvantaged people in our local community.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Please note that school ends on the afternoon of Friday 16 December 2022.

HOUSE SONG REHEARSALS



Hazeldene have been busy rehearsing for this year's House Song competition – one of the highlights of the School year! This year, the theme was 'days, months and years' and Hazeldene sang American Author's 'Best day of my life'. You can watch the performance here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PELI5TCNTTc> if you missed it, the girls performance is at 33mins 30.

ACADEMIC SUCCESSES

Well done to all Hazeldeneans for their AEOs so far this term, they have started the year very well and we are all looking forward to seeing what they can achieve over the coming year.

The girls with the highest number of commendations in each study are: Simrit C. (Lower 4), Linnea D (Upper 4), Jess F. (Fifth Form), Liv G. (Lower 6), and Izzy R. (Upper 6).

The Lower Fourth achieved the largest number of commendations this half term, with a grand total of 161 between them. An incredible effort!

HAZELDENE HOUSE SPORTS



The return of House sports competitions this term has been welcomed by all our competitive teams, in particular by our Lower Fourth students who have had a chance to represent Hazeldene competitively for the first time.

The Upper Fourth badminton team of Naomi H., Immy K.C., Lâra S., and Riana H. achieved an excellent series of results against the other girls' houses, winning the pool A and coming third in pool B.

We also were well represented by Upper Fourth and Lower Fourth students in the house swimming where we came third overall, some excellent team spirit being shown in all events.

AROUND CAMPUS

We always enjoy seeing girls' photos from around campus, especially as the seasons change and the grounds start to reflect autumnal colours.

Please do send us your photos of the House and School – either past or present!



The view of St John's church from the Hazeldene first-floor window.



Hazeldene in the early autumn sunshine.



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MACMILLAN



On Friday 30th September, Hazeldene had a doughnut sale in house to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. These were very much appreciated by all the girls and an excellent cause to raise money for.

ANNOUNCING OUR HOUSE CHARITY 2022-2023

Each year, the monitor team of Hazeldene choose a House charity. This charity becomes a focus of fundraising events throughout the year, and the girls usually choose a charity that is close to them. This year, the girls will be splitting their charity fundraising between CDG UK and Alzheimer's Society, two charities that are very close to our U6 hearts.

The girls have already raised some money by donating extra for the first own clothes day of the year and we will be looking for further ideas for fundraising throughout the year.

L4 AND U6 PIZZA NIGHT



Hazeldene girls had a lovely evening on 23rd September as they enjoyed lots of pizza and then split into teams to play charades. Girls from the L4 and U6 in the House had an opportunity to get to know one another and the game became very competitive as they worked through the rounds. A great evening all round.

SOME MORE PICTURES FROM THIS HALF TERM



UPCOMING EVENTS

7 NOVEMBER

PA meeting 6pm

13 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day Services
timings above

25 NOVEMBER

U4 and L6 pizza night

12 DECEMBER

Secret Santa and Mince pies

14 DECEMBER

Santa Hunt

ANNOUNCING THE HAZELDENE BALL 2023

The Hazeldene Parents' Association Ball 2023 will take place on **Saturday 21st January 2023** at the Stone Manor. Please save the date in your diaries.

The Ball is always one of the highlights of the House year. Girls from the Sixth Form, their guests from the school, and the parents of all year groups are welcome. Tickets will go on sale in December.