



Hazelwood School

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Our Curriculum

At Hazelwood, our curriculum is designed to develop confident, curious learners who think deeply, care about others, and are well prepared for life beyond school.

We believe children learn best when they feel known, supported and challenged, and when their learning is meaningful and connected to the real world. Our approach balances strong academic foundations with wellbeing, creativity and character, so that every child can thrive.

What Makes Our Curriculum Different

People-centred learning

Learning starts with the child. Strong relationships and high expectations create an environment where pupils feel confident to take risks, reflect on their learning and grow in independence.

Strong academic foundations

Knowledge and skills are carefully sequenced from Nursery to Year 8 so that learning builds over time. Pupils develop a deep understanding of subjects alongside the ability to apply their learning with confidence.

Adaptive teaching

Teaching is responsive and flexible. Lessons are designed to support and challenge all learners, ensuring that every pupil can access the curriculum and make progress.

Real-world relevance

We connect learning to the wider world through projects, enrichment, leadership opportunities and problem-solving. This helps pupils understand why their learning matters and how it applies beyond the classroom.

Wellbeing and character

Alongside academic learning, we place a strong emphasis on wellbeing, resilience and respect. Pupils develop empathy, moral understanding and the confidence to contribute positively to their community.



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A Connected Approach

Our curriculum is guided by the Hazelwood Learning Wheel, which brings together wellbeing, relationships, real-world learning and thoughtful use of technology. These are not separate priorities – they work together to support each child's development.

How Learning Comes to Life

Across the school, pupils experience a broad and balanced curriculum enriched by:

- * creative and performing arts
- * outdoor learning and Forest School
- * sport and physical development
- * real-world projects and partnerships

These experiences deepen understanding, build confidence and bring learning to life.

Looking Ahead

Our curriculum continues to evolve in response to the needs of our pupils and the world they are growing up in. What remains constant is our commitment to providing an education that is meaningful, ambitious and centred on each child.