

## Trees for Ben Rhydding Primary School

**NAME OF TREE:**

Hazel

**FACTS FILE ABOUT THE TREE:**

The hazels nuts are a nice tasty snack for squirrels and hazel dormice. It's scientific name is *Corylus*. The hazel can reach a height of 12m

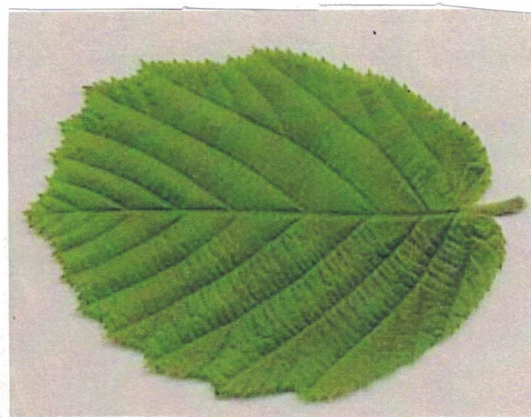
and can live up to 80 years. Their leaf buds are oval, blunt and hairy.

Hazels can be found in Europe, North Africa and Western Asia. It is part of a family called *Betulaceae*

**How should we care for our young sapling tree?**

Never allow the soil or shrubs round the sapling to dry out. Allow as much soft water to sink deep into the soil. They don't need regular fertilization if they are grown in good soil.

**A picture of the tree's leaf**



**What conditions does the tree prefer for strong growth?**

The Hazel prefers free-draining soil conditions with an adequate supply of moisture. A light soil is preferable but they will tolerate heavy or clay soils.

**What can we do to monitor healthy growth?**

We could keep a small bar chart about how healthy the tree is and how much it grows and that will help us also see what conditions it prefers.

Excellent research - well done ✓