

City Academy Whitehawk

An aerial photograph showing the City Academy Whitehawk building, a large brick structure with a red roof and a central tower, situated in a residential area. The school is surrounded by greenery and a parking lot. In the background, a dense residential neighborhood with many houses is visible, and further back, a green field under a blue sky.

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5th November 2021

Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

Well done for a great start to Autumn 2! It was a chilly one...

We had an amazing week in school and out of it with classrooms getting off to a stunning start and a football victory away from home! We were visited briefly by a former Ofsted Director this week who said some truly wonderful things about our staff and children – I felt as proud as ever. Thank you to everyone for their commitment to making this such a fantastic school.

Please read each page of the newsletter to make sure you're ahead of everything going on at school! Keep going with your reading records – it's going superbly!

Spread the word for CAW!

At 18:00 on Thursday 11th November, we are going to hold an open evening for prospective families for Reception 2022.

Please contact the school office on 01273 681377 if you would like to attend.

I can also offer personal tours for small groups of parents who would like to come and see our amazing learning environment.

Please spread the word with families whose children start Reception next September.

**WELCOME TO**
CITY ACADEMY WHITEHAWK

'Highest Expectations for All'

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2022?



I'd like to offer a warm welcome to all prospective parents.
Here at City Academy Whitehawk we are immensely proud of our school community. We would love for you to join our 'Outstanding' Reception classes in September 2022. We believe passionately in every child's potential; we support, nurture and challenge all children so that they flourish and become the very best that they can be. We strive to provide exceptional learning opportunities so that every child develops the self-belief, skills and knowledge that they need to live a successful, fulfilling life.


Thomas McMorris, Headteacher

Why come and see us?

- Ofsted rated us as a 'Good' school in November 2018 with an 'Outstanding' Early Years Provision. Ofsted said that our 'appreciation of the needs of children in this age group has enabled them to provide good quality resources, both indoors and in the well-equipped outdoor area.'
- Our highly skilled Reception team is committed to providing exciting learning experiences of the highest quality.
- We are incredibly well resourced. We have superb facilities for children to enjoy their learning.
- We have a high ratio of adults to children in Reception to enable children to have the best possible start to school.
- All children are invited to attend a free Breakfast Club from 8am every day.
- Our whole school assessment results have increased significantly in recent years. Ofsted noted 'Pupils who left Year 6 made better progress than others nationally'.
- Children benefit from high quality and comprehensive Speech & Language provision.
- We have high expectations for behaviour in Reception and the school. Our children look smart, are polite and behave well.



“ The Foundation Village here at City Academy Whitehawk has an effective learning environment which encourages a wealth of learning opportunities. We build foundations for children to thrive in education by promoting social interactions encouraging thinking, conversation, open-ended outcomes, developing imagination and creativity.

Sam Attwater,
Director of Early Years,
Aurora Academies Trust

“ Children make a very strong start to school life in the Reception classes. Parents are overwhelmingly positive about the start to school life their children make.

Ofsted 2018



We are delighted to invite you to our
OPEN EVENING on 11th November at 6pm

Please call **01273 681377** or email cawadmin@auroraacademies.org for more information.
www.caw.brighton-hove.sch.uk

ASPIRATION

AWARDED TO

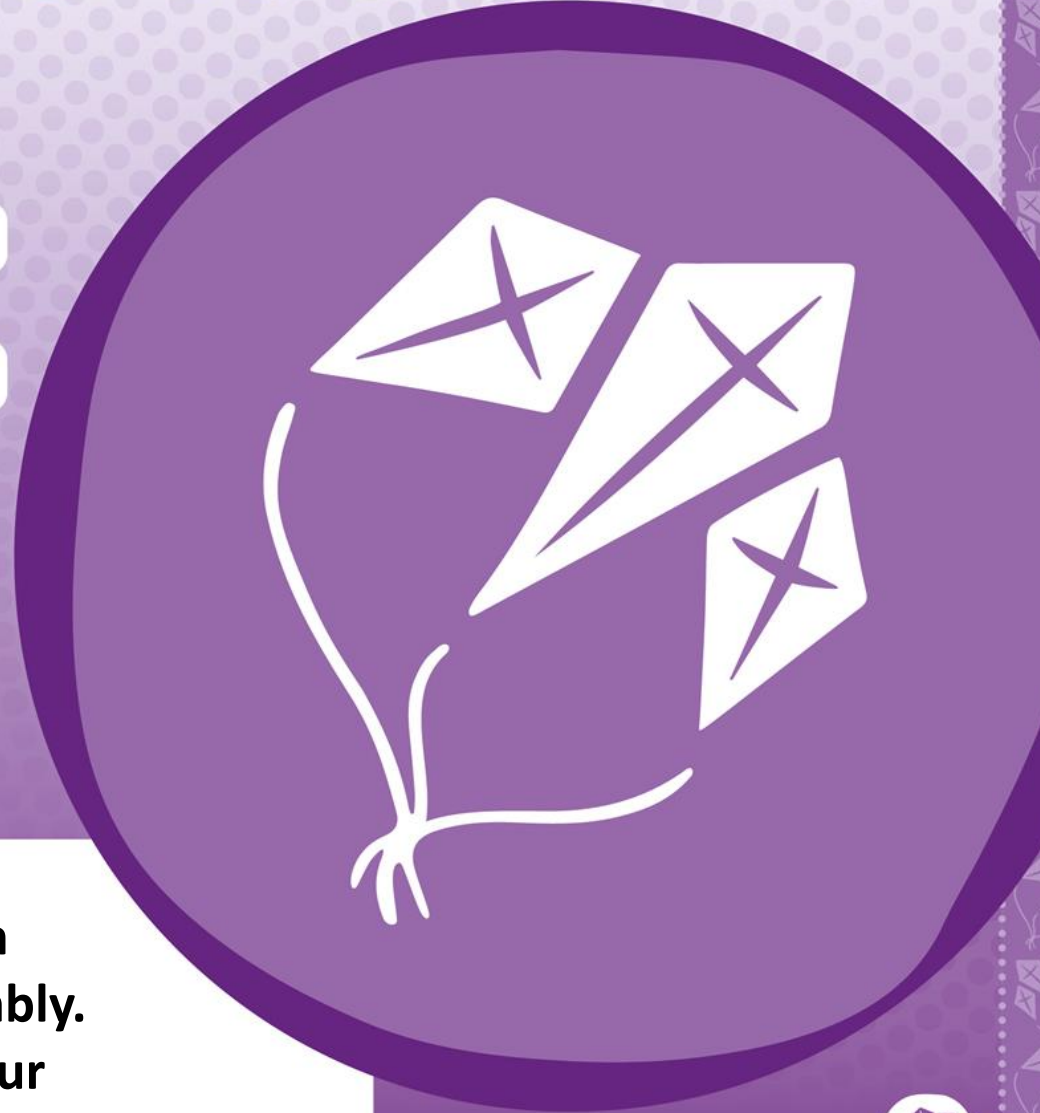
Name:

Class:

- Aim for the top
- Achieve your best
- Be proud of yourself
- Apply your learning
- Learn from your mistakes
- Know that you will do it!

Teacher's Comments

Keep an eye out for Aspiration certificates after Monday's assembly. Next week we'll be looking at our CAW Quality RESPECT!



Please click [here](#) for an update about what your children are up to this term!



Nursery
Hatchlings



Year Three
Kites
Kestrels



Reception
Robins



Year Four
Jackdawes
Magpies



Year One
Puffins
Woodpeckers



Year Five
Barn Owls
Hérons



Year Two
Goldfinches
Greenfinches



Year Six
Eagles
Falcons

New Reading Raffle!

We have launched our new selection of books for this half term!

Please click here to read more about each book to help your child choose which text they are going to vote for with their first ticket!



CAW Fluency Badge

Please can you join us in helping your children to learn their number bonds to ten (eg. $4 + 6 = 10$) and start to learn all single digit addition facts (eg. $5 + 7 = 12$). Knowing these facts helps children to be much more successful in all other areas of maths.

Children sit a national times tables assessment at the end of Year 4, by which time they should know all of their times tables facts. Please study these at home – we'll be teaching them at school too. I look forward to organising maths workshops for parents when restrictions are lifted. **Children in Key Stage 2 can be tested by Mr. McAdam to win their Fluency Badge!**



CAW Addition Facts

Our aim is for children to be able to recall all single digit addition facts as quickly as they can tell you their name.
They should also be able to recall their 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

+	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18

CAW Multiplication Facts

By the end of Year 4 your child is expected to know their times tables.
These multiplication facts should be hardwired just like the addition facts.

x	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

Staying Healthy

Flu Vaccination

The Immunisation Service are coming into school 22nd November to offer your child the Flu vaccination.

It is given as a simple, quick and painless spray up the nose. By having this vaccination your child will also protect others at risk from flu and help reduce pressure on the NHS.

Please click here to access the consent form

<https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>, please complete the online consent form, to either consent or refuse this vaccination by 9am Monday 15th November.

Sickness and Diarrhoea

If your child has been sick or has diarrhoea, please do not send them to school until 48 hours after their last bout.

School Nurse Visit

Our School Nurse, Claire Wilson will be holding a drop-in session for parents/carers in school on Tuesday 30 November from 8.30. Please meet Claire via the school office.

Head Lice

There have been a number of Head lice cases throughout the school. Please check all family members carefully. The following method is recommended:

- Wash hair using ordinary shampoo then use a wide toothed comb to straighten and detangle. It is easier to do this with wet hair using hair conditioner.
- Once comb moves freely through the hair, without dragging, switch to a fine tooth comb. Make sure the teeth of the comb go into the hair at the roots and draw down to the ends of the hair with every stroke until you combed the whole head.

Christmas Events

If you're available, we look forward to welcoming you to our Christmas Parental Engagement events at the following times in Week 7 of this term!

Monday 13 th Dec	Tuesday 14 th Dec	Wednesday 15 th	Thursday 16 th Dec	Friday 17 th Dec
	09:15: Year 6	09:15: Year 3	09:15: Year 1	
13:45: Hatchlings and Robins	14:00: Year 2	14:00: Year 4	14:00: Year 5	

It's the Week 3 Menu next week!

City Academy Whitehawk Week 3

Weekly menu



Monday

Sticky BBQ Chicken served with Rice and Peas

Vegetable Lasagne and Garlic Bread

Jacket Potatoes served with a variety of fillings

Seasonal Vegetables

Vanilla Ice Cream

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Tuesday

Sausage Penne Arrabiata

Vegetarian Sausage Penne Arrabiata

Jacket Potatoes served with a variety of fillings

Seasonal Vegetables

Sultana Sponge Cake and Custard

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Wednesday

Roast Pork and Apple Sauce with Fluffy Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Quorn Roast with Fluffy Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Jacket Potatoes served with a variety of fillings

Seasonal Vegetables

Chocolate Brownies

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Thursday

Beef Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce served with Penne Pasta

Roasted Pepper Frittata served Herb Potato Wedges

Jacket Potatoes served with a variety of fillings

Seasonal Vegetables

Maryland Cookie

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Friday

Battered Fish and Chips

Vegetarian Burger in a soft Bun with Chips

Jacket Potatoes served with a variety of fillings

Seasonal Vegetables

Chocolate Oatie Cookie

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Dates for your Diary

Our term dates for 21/22 are online: [click here to see them](#).

Friday 22nd October: End of Autumn Term 1

Monday 1st November: Start of Autumn Term 2

Friday 12th November: INSET Day

Tuesday 30th November: School Nurse Drop In Session

Week Beginning 13th December: Winter Performances (see slide)

Friday 17th December: Christmas Jumper Day and End of Autumn 2

Friday 17th December: School closes at 13:00

Wednesday 5th January: Start of Spring 1

With the weekend upon us, I hope you're able to enjoy some family time, especially if you get to see some fireworks!

I hope this letter has provided you with information you need; please do not hesitate to get in touch or check through [previous newsletters](#).

Thomas McMorris
Headteacher

