

City Academy Whitehawk

An aerial photograph showing a large, multi-story brick school building with a red-tiled roof and a central tower. The school is surrounded by a dense residential area with many houses and some solar panels on the roofs. In the foreground, there are green trees and a grassy area. The sky is blue with some light clouds.

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17th June 2022

Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

It's a hot one! I hope you and the children enjoy the warm weather together over this four day weekend. It's important for our staff to get together for training, planning and preparation and I'm pleased to report we've had a wonderfully productive first day. All of our teachers went to one of our other Aurora schools in Bexhill for some curriculum training and we're *even* more excited about getting our teeth in to it in September now!

We've had a brilliant opening fortnight to the summer term with excellent learning going on in every classroom. Children have selected an **ASPIRATION** for the term with a focus on being 'Next Phase Ready', looking at what they'd like to achieve to feel super confident for September. I look forward to giving out these **ASPIRATION** certificates next Tuesday, along with this week's **RESPECT** awards!

We had a **CAW** achievement this week: all of Year 5 had 100% attendance on Thursday 16th June. This is an enormous achievement and something we're all really proud of. Well done Year 5 families! As usual, please check for Mrs. Storey's page in the newsletter...

As ever, please read each page of this newsletter to ensure you're up to speed on all-things-CAW!

Hot Weather

We encourage you to put sun cream on your child before school in the mornings. You can send a named bottle of sun cream in to school with your child for them to keep in their bag for them to reapply independently later in the day. If your child will struggle to do this independently, we'll be happy to support them to do so. Please encourage good practice at home... this weekend is going to be a hot one!

Children may bring caps/hats to school for play times when it is hot and sunny – you must ensure that these are named if we are going to be able to support you in retrieving any lost property.

Please help us to keep your children hydrated by sending them to school with a bottle each day.



City Academy
Whitehawk

Attendance at City Academy



Well done to

Ms Briggs' Barn Owls Class

and

Mr Faers' Greenfinches Class



who had the best attendance for the whole of the last half term from Easter up to the June holiday and enjoyed an ice cream with Mrs Storey

Thank you so much to parents and carers for making sure that that the vast majority of children are at school, on time, every single day. There are 125 children who have had 100% since the Easter holidays. Well done!

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

The DfE Visits Whitehawk

Mental health and wellbeing support that prepares students for classroom learning

Thomas McMorrin and Sally Singh, 11 May 2022 - [Pupil wellbeing and behaviour](#)



Thomas McMorrin, headteacher, and Sally Singh, welfare manager of City Academy Whitehawk in East Brighton, share how they have developed a whole school approach to mental health and wellbeing.

About the teaching blog

A Department for Education blog for teachers, by teachers.

Covering everything from [reducing workload](#), to [pupil premium](#), [school leadership](#) and [pupil wellbeing](#).

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In April 2022, we welcomed Brighton and Hove Schools Wellbeing Service and the Department for Education for a tour of City Academy Whitehawk.

During this tour we were proud to showcase our Inclusion Suite, Nurture Classroom, Play Therapy Room and introduce our visitors to some of our amazing Welfare Team.

Mrs. Singh, who leads our amazing Welfare team, and I were then thrilled to be asked to write a blog on our approach to supporting all children to be successful. Please click [here](#) to have a read of our blog on the DfE's website!

Reading Raffle

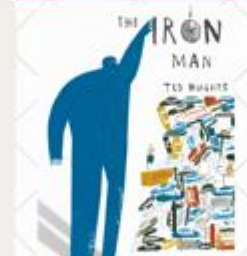
6 Books!

Click the link below to learn more about all the books in the raffle. This can also be found on the school website under: Pupils, Reading.

<https://primarysite-produced.s3.amazonaws.com/city-academy-whitehawk/UploadedDocument/c89ef6bd-d83d-412e-86d7-3069dad81452/reading-raffle-book-blurbs-summer-2.pdf>

Reading Raffle 6

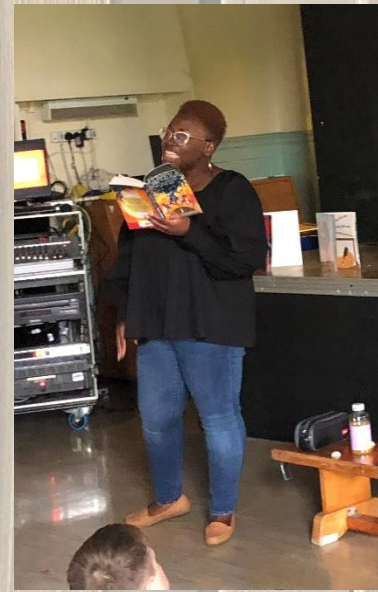
Which will you vote for?



Author Visit!



We welcomed Tola Okogwu, author of *Onyenka* and *the Academy Of The Sun*, came to give us a brilliant talk all about her book. We loved thinking about what makes us superheroes!



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

I was pleased to launch ASPIRATION in Week 1. Children have picked a 'September Readiness' target and will be working hard towards this all term.



RESPECT

AWARDED TO

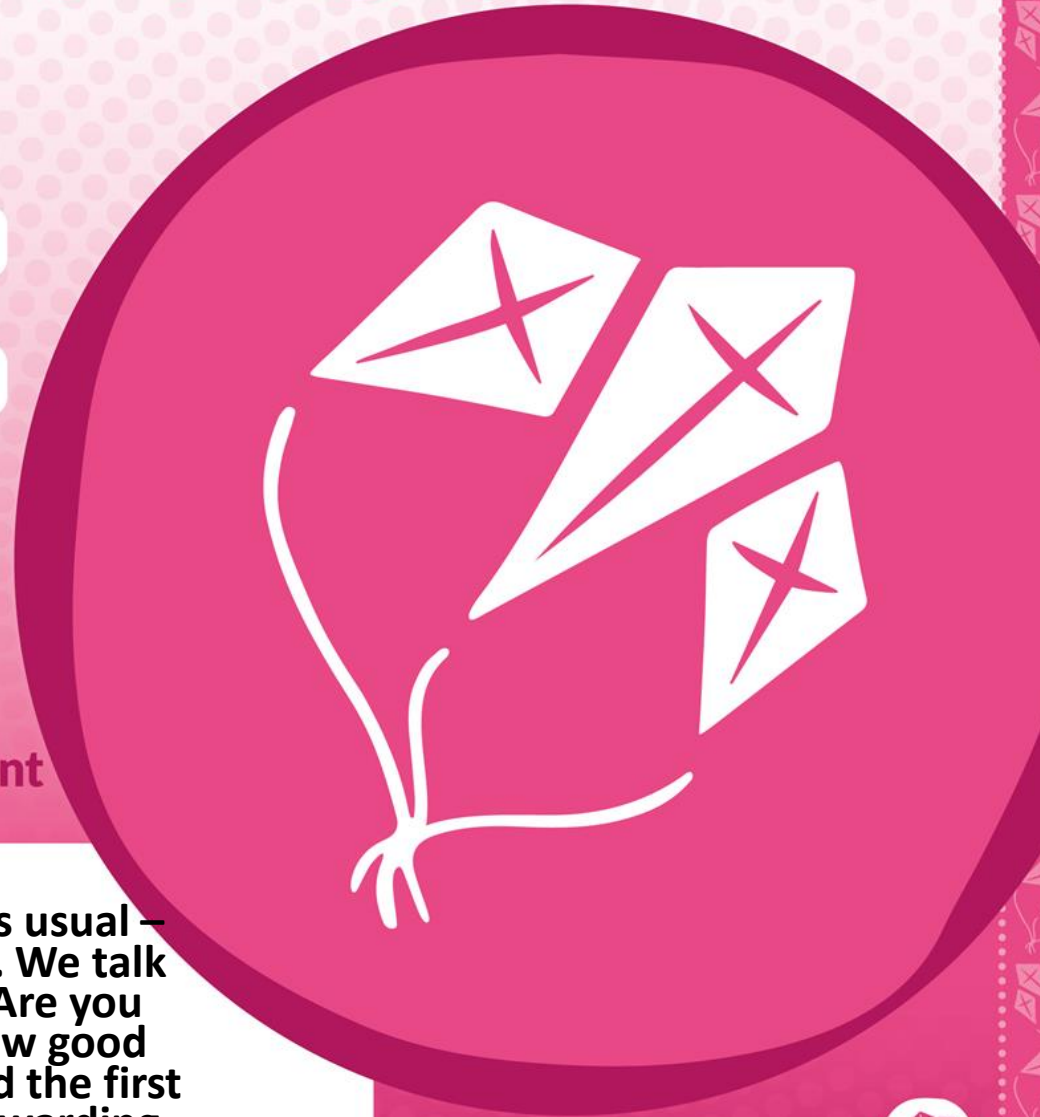
Name:

Class:

- Listen to others
- Be kind when you disagree
- Explain things to help others
- Be tolerant
- Take care of the school environment

Teacher's Comments

Children have been demonstrating – as usual – really high levels of RESPECT at school. We talk a lot about what respect looks like... Are you looking at the person speaking to show good listening? Are you doing as you're asked the first time you're asked? I look forward to awarding these certificates next week.



YEAR

2 0 2 2 L E A V E R S

SIX

We are so excited to celebrate how amazing our Year children are! This term, we have an array of experiences that we are thrilled to offer...

All of this will be in addition all the transition work we will be doing to prepare for secondary school, needless to say its going to a fun, busy and memorable way to send off this amazing cohort!

Mrs Luna and Mr McAdam

Upcoming Trips



June 27th and 29th



May 25th



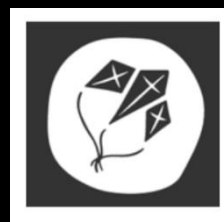
**Residential
July 4th – 7th**

Taster Day June 23rd

YEAR

2022 LEAVERS

SIX



Leavers Trip – July!



**Year Group
Football Match at the
Manor Gym (July)**

Leavers Assembly – July 21st @ 9:30

Leavers BBQ – July 20st @ 3:15-4:15

Safety in Action

Year 6

We were lucky to be invited to Hove Fire Hall to take part in Safety in Action!

We took part in 8 sessions where we learned how to stay safe... In the water, at home, on the roads, rails, secondary school and we even learned what to do if we need to help someone in an emergency!

The Year 6s did a fantastic job and represented our school in a brilliant manner!



National Smile Month



**Oral Health
Foundation**

This week marks the beginning of National Smile Month, and our wonderful team at CAW Nursery are taking the opportunity to introduce daily tooth brushing at school for all our little Hatchlings!

On Wednesday, our Hatchlings will welcome an NHS dental nurse who will teach them how to brush their teeth and send them home with a special Smile goodie bag.

Here's to beaming smiles full of healthy pearly whites!

Sports Week

Sports Days are BACK this year and we are excited to invite parents/carers, families and friends of the CAW community to attend. All events will be held in the field opposite the school (near the Crew Club), and children will be showcasing their athletic skills!

All races and activities the children participate in will earn them house points towards the Sports Day shield – won last year by Earth. We look forward to seeing the children's fantastic running, jumping and throwing skills on show!

Please read on for times and dates...

Sports Week

- Thursday 23rd June 9am: **Year 3 and 4 Sports Day**
- Friday 24th June 9am: **Year R, 1 and 2 Sports Day**
- Friday 24th June 1pm: **Year 5 and 6 Sports Day**
- Wednesday 29th June 11am: **Nursery Sports Day**





CREW CLUB HAWKS FC

STARTS
18th May
2022



UNDER 7's OPEN TRAINING SESSIONS

COME AND JOIN
CREW CLUB HAWKS
U7's TEAM
for
2022/23 SEASON

WEDNESDAY
3:30pm to 4:30pm
Crew Club Football Pitches

for more information contact
our sports development officer
noah@crewclub.co.uk



The Crew Club, 26 Coolham Drive, BN2 5QW, Tel: 01273 608607

PE Kits

We have decided to continue asking children to come into school in their PE kits on their PE days during the Summer term. Please ensure your child is wearing suitable PE kit, especially footwear, on their PE days below. As ever, it is fine for them to wear trackies and school jumpers during the colder weather.

PE days have changed for many children so please see below:

Please wear PE kit into school on these days:

YG	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 6</u>
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Monday
		Friday	Friday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday	Thursday

Thank you all so much for your enthusiasm about school clubs. You received an email about these earlier today.

City Academy Whitehawk - After School Clubs Summer Term 2022

w/c Mon 2nd May to Fri 27th May (4 wks) then w/c Mon 6th June to Fri 15th July (6 wks)

*** PLEASE NOTE ALL CLUBS (other than Running Club) NEED TO BE BOOKED USING PARENTPAY ***

B R E A K F A S T C L U B 08.00 to 08.30am Every day In the School Canteen FREE	MON	 ROUNDERS Years 2-6 MISS SCOTT 3.10 - 4.05pm FREE <i>Rounders games and activities in the sunshine!</i>	 GYMNASTICS Years R-2 STAR GYMNASTICS 3.10 - 4.05pm FREE <i>Develop your gymnastics skills with professional gymnastics coaches</i>		 ART & CRAFT Year R-2 Miss Varco 3.05 – 4pm FREE <i>Have a go at a variety of art and craft activities!</i>
	TUES	 STREET DANCE Years 3-6 JULES 3.10 - 4.05pm FREE <i>Participate in street dance with a dance teacher</i>			
	WEDS	 RACKET SPORTS Years 5 and 6 Mr Chick 3.10 – 4.10pm FREE <i>Badminton, tennis and table tennis club!</i>	 FOOTBALL Years 1-4 Russell Martin Foundation 3.10 – 4.05pm FREE <i>Football training with football coaches</i>	 ROCK MUSIC Years 3 - 6 Mrs Elliott 3.10 – 4.05pm FREE <i>Learn to make music in a variety of ways!</i>	 COOKING Years 1 and 2 Miss Rackham, Miss Jones and Mr Newbatt 3.10 - 4.10pm FREE <i>Cooking a variety of foods!</i>
	THURS	 MOVEMENT AND YOGA Years R - 3 Miss Cuthill 3.10-4.05pm FREE <i>Yoga and movement games and activities</i>		 FENCING AND ARCHERY Years 4-6 STEVE from SportsCool 3.10-4.10pm FREE <i>Archery and fencing games and activities</i>	
	FRI	 RUNNING CLUB Years 4-6 Mr Chick 8.00-8.30am FREE <i>Come along via Breakfast Club for a run and a healthy breakfast!</i>	 SAMA KARATE All Years 3.10-4.10pm <i>Sama Karate are an independent organisation Membership forms are available from the school office £5 per week paid directly to the coach</i>		 NETBALL CLUB Years 3-6 Miss Briggs, Mrs Grandi & Mr Isaacs 3.10 – 4.05pm FREE <i>Have a go at playing netball!</i> 

Whitehawk Library



Children will be visiting Whitehawk library again early this term to browse the selection and get some new books to have in their classrooms. Each class has a lovely new box to keep them safe!

If you haven't signed up for the Brighton Library Service, you can do by clicking this link: <https://brighton-hove.spydus.co.uk/cgi-bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/WPAC/JOIN>

Did you know?

- ▶ There are 14 Brighton & Hove Libraries you can use with a library card
- ▶ Children can borrow up to 40 books at a time!
- ▶ Children can borrow books for 3 weeks at a time
- ▶ Children's accounts do have overdue fines so please make sure you return or renew your books on time
- ▶ You can also use the 'digital services' which includes e-books, e-magazines and audio books!
- ▶ There is a Toy Library at the Whitehawk Library where you can borrow toys!
- ▶ If another library has a book you want, they can order it to your closest library for free!
- ▶ You can reserve and renew books online

...to join the library today

First Name		Date of birth	
Family Name			
Address			
Postcode		Phone/Mobile	
Email Address			
Signature Parent/Carer - please sign below and give your full name for under 13s			

To receive library news and what's on information via email please tick here: ☐

For more information about Brighton & Hove Libraries:
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...to join your Library

First Name		Date of Birth	
Family Name		Male/Female	
Address			
Postcode		Phone/Mobile	
Email Address			
Signature Parent/Carer - please sign below and give your full name for under 13s			

Full name

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Weekly menu



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Meatballs in a BBQ Sauce with Penne Pasta

Pork Sausages served with Mashed Potato

Roast Gammon served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Beef Pasta Bolognese served with a Herb Bread Wedge

Battered Fish and Chips

Macaroni Cheese

Vegetarian Sausages served with Mashed Potato

Vegetable Parcels served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Vegetarian Mince and Vegetable Fajita

Quorn Nuggets and Chips

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

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Fresh Vegetables

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Chocolate Ice Cream

Syrup Sponge with Custard

Strawberry Jelly

Freshly made Cookies

Shortbread Fingers

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Available daily

Freshly Baked Bread

Freshly Prepared Salad



Weekly menu

Monday

Margarita Pizza served with Potato Wedges

Tomato and Vegetable Penne Pasta in a Rich Tomato Sauce

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Strawberry Ice Cream

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Tuesday

Ham and Cheese Pasta Carbonara

Mild Vegetable Biryani

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Chocolate Sponge Cake with Chocolate Custard

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Wednesday

Roast Chicken and Stuffing served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Cauliflower and Broccoli Bake

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Cherry Shortbread Finger

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Thursday

Chicken Fajita served with Potato Wedges

Vegetarian Mince Wellington served with Potato Wedges

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Chocolate Rice Crispy Cake

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Friday

Beef Burger in a Soft Bun and Chips

Vegetarian Burger in a Soft Bun and Chips

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Jelly Pots

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Available daily

Freshly Baked Bread

Freshly Prepared Salad

Weekly menu



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Sticky BBQ Chicken served with Rice and Peas

Sausage Penne Arrabiata

Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Creamy Chicken Korma served with Rice

Pork Sausage and Chips

Vegetable Lasagne and Garlic Bread

Vegetarian Sausage Penne Arrabiata

Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Cheesy Pasta Bake

Breaded Fish and Chips

Jacket Potatoes served with a Variety of Fillings

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Fresh Vegetables

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Vanilla Ice Cream

Sultana Sponge Cake with Custard

Chocolate Brownies

Maryland Cookie

Chocolate Oatie Cookie

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Available daily

Freshly Baked Bread

Freshly Prepared Salad

Staying Healthy

Nut Allergy

We have children in school with severe Nut Allergies, therefore, please can we remind you that **no** food containing nuts should be brought into school. This includes but is not limited to Nutella, Peanut Butter, Pesto, Bread or Cereal/Chocolate Bars. Please take care when sending your child into school with food by checking the ingredients.

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. This is crucial in supporting us in reducing the risk of spreading viruses and keeping the school community as healthy as possible.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your children bring a named water bottle to and from school each day. We must remind you, we struggle to provide children with cups as these cannot be shared and are ecologically and economically a worse option than each child having their own clean bottle. **Please help us to keep your children hydrated by sending them to school with a named bottle every day.**

Dates for your Diary

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

Friday 27th May: End of Summer 1

Monday 6th June: Start of Summer 2

Friday 17th June: INSET

Monday 20th June: INSET

Thursday 23rd June 9am: Year 3 and 4 Sports Day

Friday 24th June 9am: Year R, 1 and 2 Sports Day

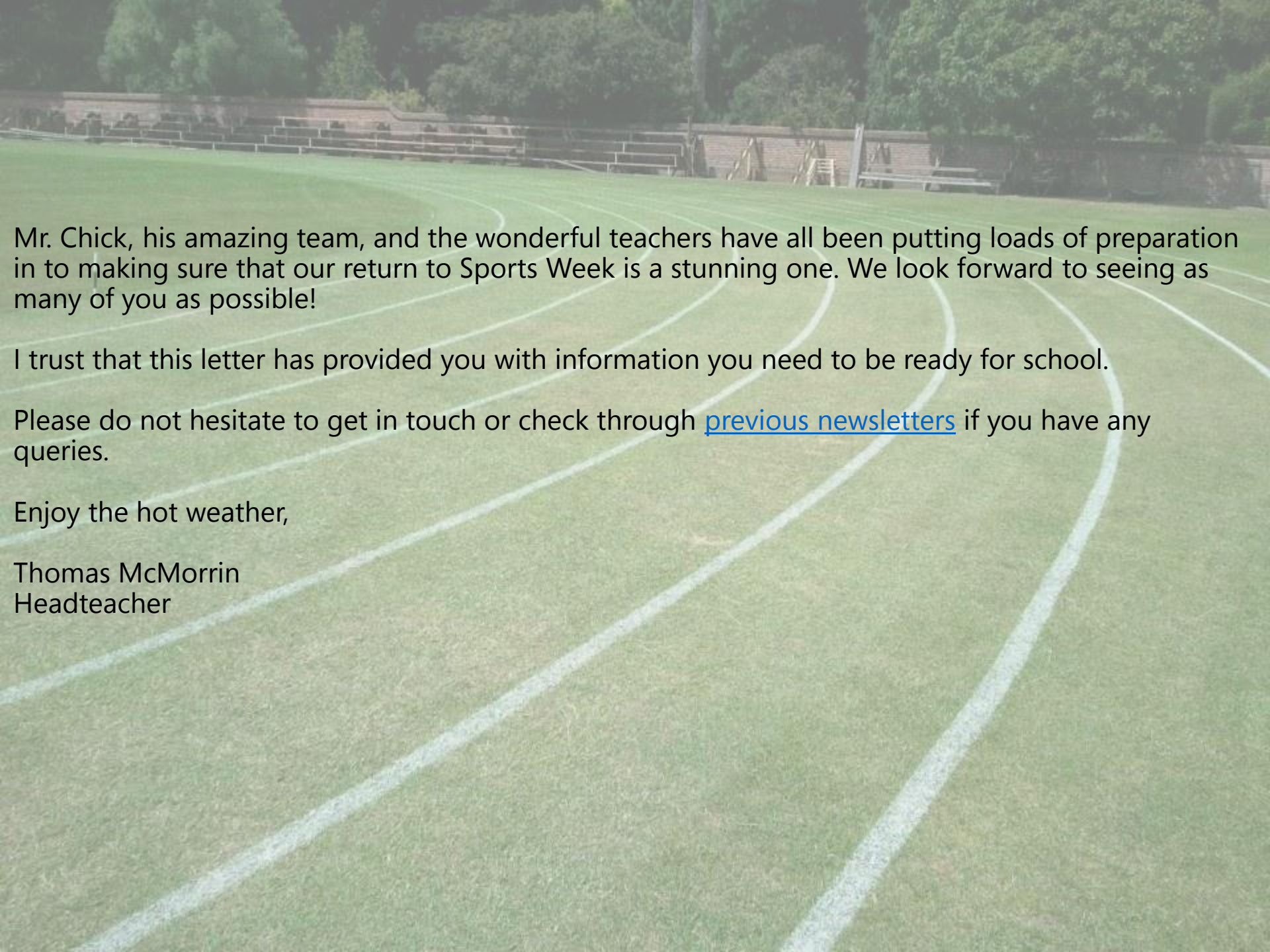
Friday 24th June 1pm: Year 5 and 6 Sports Day

Wednesday 29th June 11am: Nursery Sports Day

Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th July: Parent/Carer Consultations

Thursday 21st July: Last day of school

Friday 22nd July: Nominated Jubilee Bank Holiday



Mr. Chick, his amazing team, and the wonderful teachers have all been putting loads of preparation in to making sure that our return to Sports Week is a stunning one. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

I trust that this letter has provided you with information you need to be ready for school.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch or check through [previous newsletters](#) if you have any queries.

Enjoy the hot weather,

Thomas McMorris
Headteacher