

City Academy Whitehawk

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

Starting School
2022-23



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2nd September 2022

Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

I hope you have had an amazing summer. We've had a lovely long break, started by a fantastic day of skateboarding in the school playground and since then we've hosted holiday clubs and had a range of building work undertaken.

As ever, our staff have been really busy over the summer, particularly these past two days, getting everything ready for the children's return to school next week - I hope they're as excited as we are. We look forward to welcoming our new Reception children over the next two weeks (details of your timetable have been sent to you personally).

This letter contains much of what I sent you on the 25th of July but includes the menu for school dinners and a reminder of drop off and collection arrangements – please read these carefully.

ASPIRATION

AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

Class:

Years 1-6

- 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

We are going to launch our first week by focussing on our CAW Quality of ASPIRATION, setting ambitious targets for the Autumn Term. We'll also be inviting Year 5 and 6 to apply for the role of school ambassador.



School Drop Off and Collection Hatchlings (Nursery) 2022/23

- Paddock Entrance will open to Hatchlings at 08:40 and close at 08:50
- Families who arrive at school after 08:50 will need to 'buzz' their gate to be welcomed by a member of staff and will be marked as late.
- Siblings in Years 1 – 6 can be dropped off at either the Canteen Gate or the Main Gate from 8:30 – 8:45



School Drop Off and Collection

Robins (Reception) 2022/23

- Orchard Gate (see map below) will open to Robins at 08:30 and close at 08:45 (please note that Robins will be welcomed from 08:30 but siblings in Hatchlings can also use this entrance but will be welcomed from 08:40 – 8:45)
- Families who arrive at school after 08:45 will need to 'buzz' their gate to be welcomed by a member of staff and will be marked as late.
- Siblings in Years 1 – 6 can be dropped off at the Main Gate or the Canteen Gate from 8:30 – 8:45



Year 1 – 6 Drop Off 2022/23

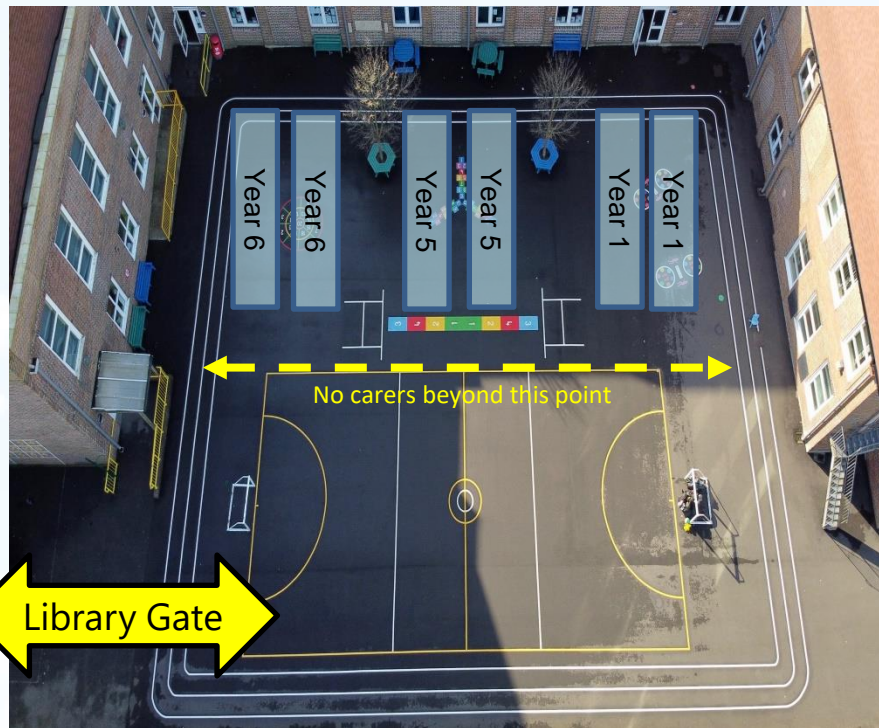
The 'main' school gate and 'canteen' school gates will open at 08:30 to admit children to school. The gate will close at 08:45. Families who arrive after this time will need to 'buzz' to be admitted and will receive a late mark.



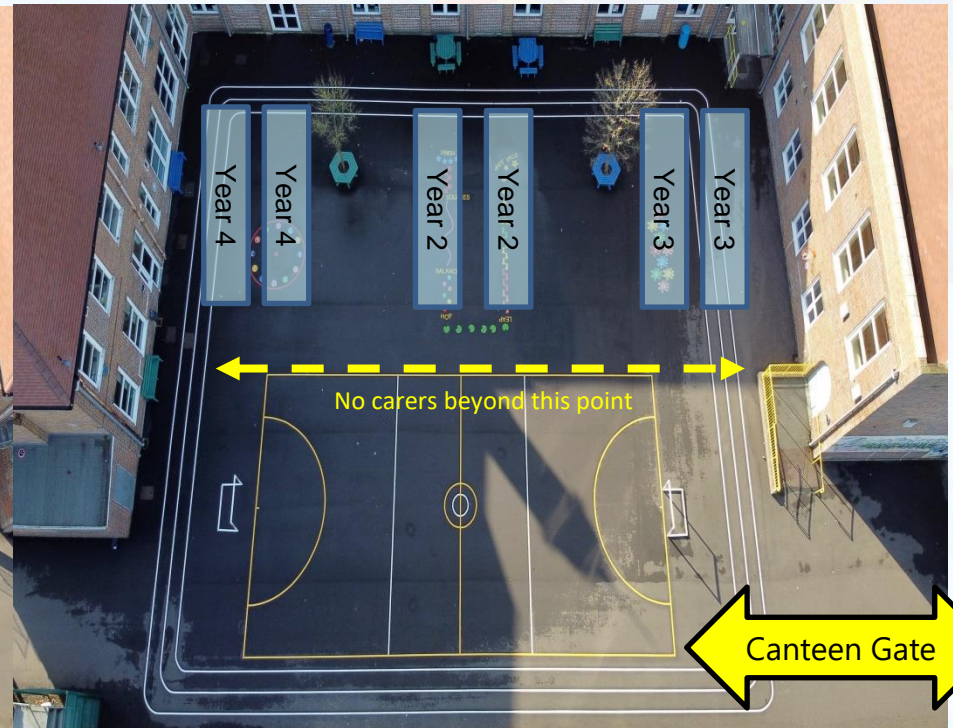
Year 1- 6 Home Time 2022/23

- The library exit and canteen exit will be unlocked at 15:10
- Children will be waiting with their teacher to be collected from their carer/nominated adult
- Lost Property will be available on the North Playground – parents are not permitted to enter the building to look for lost items
- Carers will not be admitted to the school building from the playground at all (this enables us to keep all children who need to be in the building safe)

South Playground



North Playground



Breakfast Club Drop Off 2022/23

We are proud to announce that all children from Year 1 to Year 6 are eligible to come to school early for a free breakfast. Reception children are invited to join us from Monday 19th September and thereafter.

The Canteen Gate will be opened promptly at 08:00 and closed at 08:10 to admit children for breakfast.

Children are offered a wonderful range of breakfast foods and play opportunities. Our Breakfast Club team escort the children to class for 08:30.



School Dinners Week 1

City Academy Whitehawk Autumn Week 1

Weekly menu



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Pork Sausage & Mashed
Potato served with Gravy

Sausage Pasta Arrabiata

Roast Gammon served with
Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Beef Bolognaise served with
Garlic Bread

Battered fish & chips

Veggie Sausage & Mashed
Potato served with Gravy

Sweet potato & Spinach curry
served with Rice

Veggie Parcel served with
Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Veggie Bolognaise served with
Garlic Bread

Veggie Burger in a Soft Bun &
Chips

Jacket Potato with a choice of
fillings

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Fresh Vegetables

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Chocolate ice cream

Vanilla sponge & Custard

Strawberry Jelly

Homemade Cookie

Shortbread Fingers

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

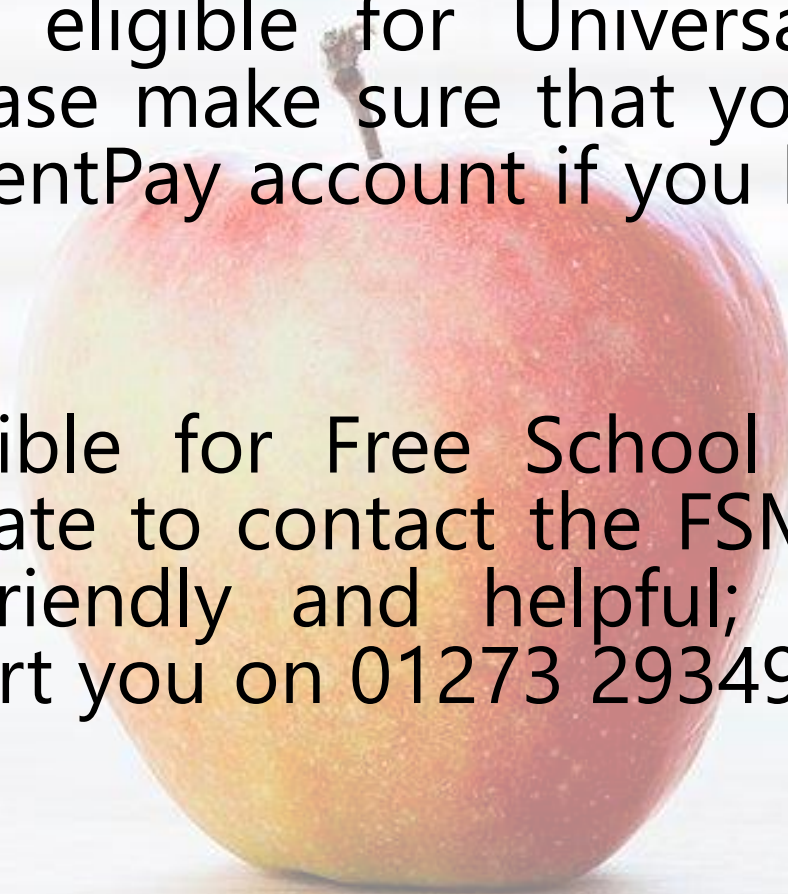
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School Meals and Payments

Please don't forget that Year 2s moving to Year 3 are no longer eligible for Universal Free School Meals. Please make sure that you have activated your ParentPay account if you haven't already.

You may be eligible for Free School Meals. Please don't hesitate to contact the FSM team who are really friendly and helpful; they're available to support you on 01273 293497 or at this [web address](#).



Uniform in September

Please visit [Logo Sports](#) to purchase your uniform or see the next page about Pelican Parcels.

blue polo shirt
with academy
logo

burgundy
sweatshirt or
cardigan with
academy logo

burgundy fleece
with academy
logo

black trousers,
skirts or
pinafore dresses

plain black
shoes (we
recommend
avoiding laces)

plain socks or
tights

In warm
weather, black
school shorts or
blue and white
check school
dresses can be
worn

Additional Information

- Put a memorable key chain on your child's book bag.
- Please don't send your child in with toys from home in case they are lost or damaged.
- Please have a P.E kit for your child ready for Autumn 2.
- Please consider sending a spare set of clothes for your child's peg if you think your child may need this.
- Please name all of your child's items. We recommend displaying their name in the collar and also writing it on the back of the item's academy logo badge.
- If you would like to buy logo free blue polo shirts please do so. We do lots of messy play in Reception and we can get dirty sometimes. Some children like to keep their logo blue shirts for special occasions such as, school photos/events.
- Please bring a named water bottle to school.
- If eating packed lunches, please name your lunchbox.



Uniform in September



School Uniform Order Form

Family name: _____

Child Age: _____

Child year group (eg Reception, Yr4): _____

School name: _____

Organisation / Collection Point: _____

Requested items:	Size/Age:	Quantity:
white polo shirt		
sky blue polo shirt		
black or grey trousers		
black or grey shorts		
black or grey skirt / pinafore		
blue gingham dress		
red gingham dress		
burgandy jumper		
burgandy cardigan		
red jumper		
red cardigan		
navy jumper		
navy cardigan		
black/blue PE shorts		
black/blue joggers/tracksuit bottoms		
white PE t-shirt		
grey socks		
white socks		
grey tights		
white tights		
black shoes		
PE trainers		

A PE bag / backpack, with some stationary and other items, will be provided for every child's order.

Pelican Parcels is a charity that takes donations of good quality items from families for passing on to another family. Please note that some of the uniform provided will be pre-loved, but in excellent condition. All shoes provided will be new.

Visit our website for more information: pelicanparcels.org.uk

[Click here to access
the website for
Pelican Parcels](http://pelicanparcels.org.uk)

PE Kits

For Autumn 1, we will continue to ask that children come to school in their PE kits on their PE days. We plan to return to getting changed at school after the October half term break. Please remember, as ever, that it is fine to wear trackies and school jumpers in colder weather.

Please wear PE kit into school on these days:

YG	Reception	<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	Mondays (from Mon 19 th)	Tues	Weds	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Tues
		Fri	Thurs	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Thurs

Children can bring a change of clothes for after school clubs. An announcement about clubs will be shared with you via email on Wednesday 7th September. A huge selection on offer, as usual!

Please remember to hunt around for your child's Reading Record and bring that back to school on Monday. Children will continue to use up empty pages in their Reading Record from last year until it is full!

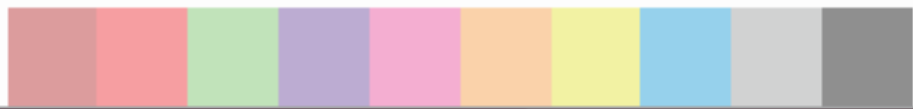


City Academy Whitehawk Reading Record


books4schools
www.books4schools.co.uk
0845 470 2001

Name: _____

Class: _____



Autumn Term: Hot Weather in September

Thinking forward to the end of summer, you might choose to still 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 but please remember that we can not apply this sun cream and children will have to manage the responsibility for their own cream. We will, of course, do our best to support them with this.

Please make sure your children bring their 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 bottle.

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.

Naming Uniform

Please ensure all of your child's uniform and items are named.

We highly recommend using sharpie to write their name on the back of the school logo as well as on the label.

If children attend school with unnamed uniform we will write their name in Sharpie pen on the items for them. We hope this will help avoid children losing their lovely uniforms.

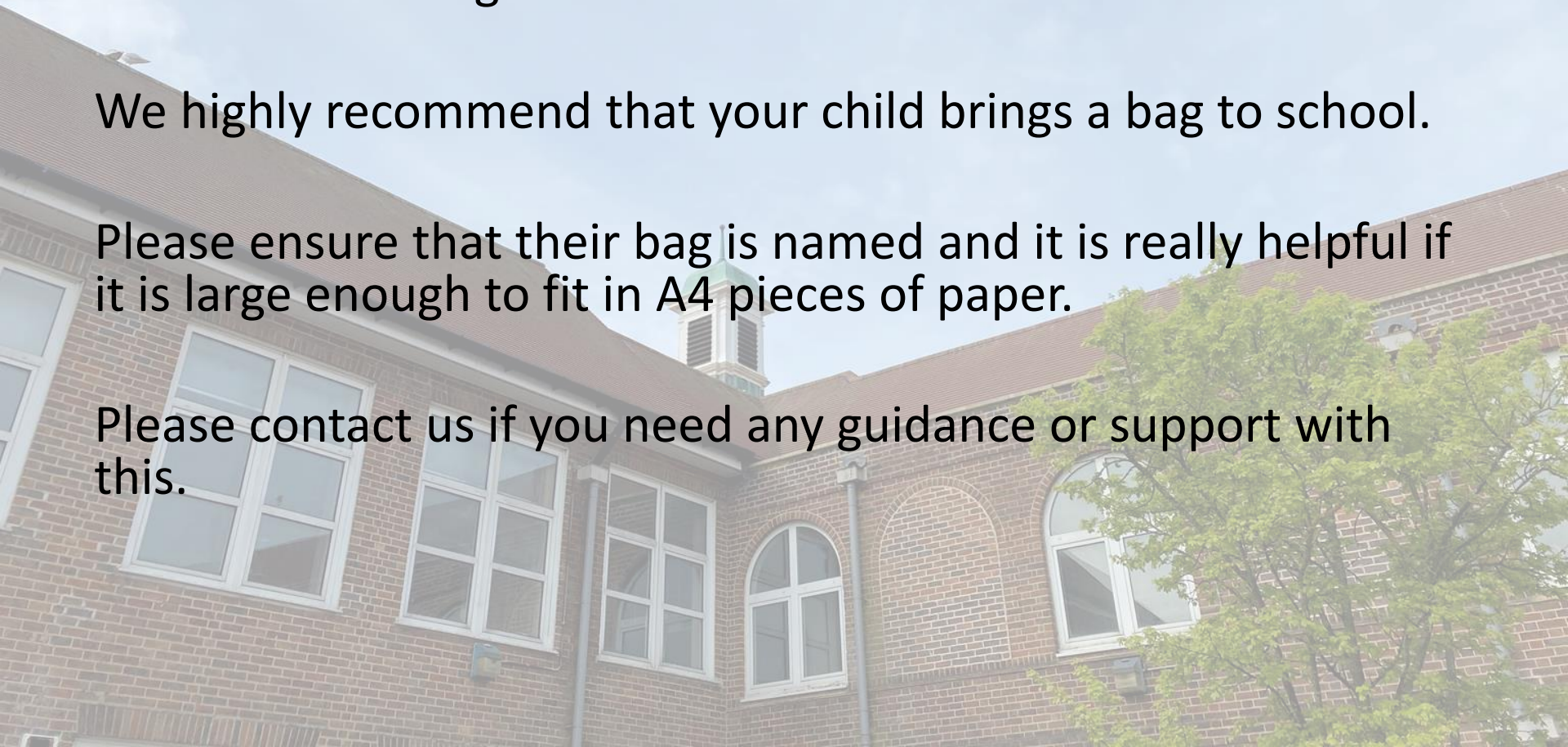
School Bags

Over the year, your child will receive resources and letters to take home. We will be sending them home with their reading books and reading record too.

We highly recommend that your child brings a bag to school.

Please ensure that their bag is named and it is really helpful if it is large enough to fit in A4 pieces of paper.

Please contact us if you need any guidance or support with this.



2020-2021 Term Dates for your Diary

Our term dates for 22/23 are online: click [here](#) to see them.

Monday 5th September: Years 1 – 6 and Hatchlings Start school.

(Reception starters have received personalised letters with details for their start to school.)

Friday 23rd September: Jeans for Genes Day (details to follow)

Week beginning 17th October: Parent Engagement Events tbc

Tuesday 18th October: Parent/Carer consultation 15:30 – 19:00

Wednesday 19th October: Parent/Carer consultation 15:30-17:00

Friday 22nd October: End of Autumn Term 1

Monday 31st October: Start of Autumn Term 2

Friday 11th November: INSET Day

Monday 14th November : INSET Day

Friday 16th December 13:00: End of Autumn Term 2

Wednesday 4th January: Start of Spring 1

I hope this letter has provided you with all the information you need but please do not hesitate to get in touch or check through [previous newsletters](#) catalogued on our website.

We can't wait to see the children next week for the start of another superbly successful year!

Thomas McMorris
Headteacher

