

City Academy Whitehawk



Headteacher's Newsletter 1
September 9th 2022



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Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

It is with sadness that Buckingham Palace announced yesterday the death of Her Majesty The Queen. Children spent time with their teachers today looking at how the Queen spread happiness during her reign.

We have now entered a period of national mourning that will continue until the end of the State Funeral.

If you or your children need any support at this time please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

ASPIRATION

AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

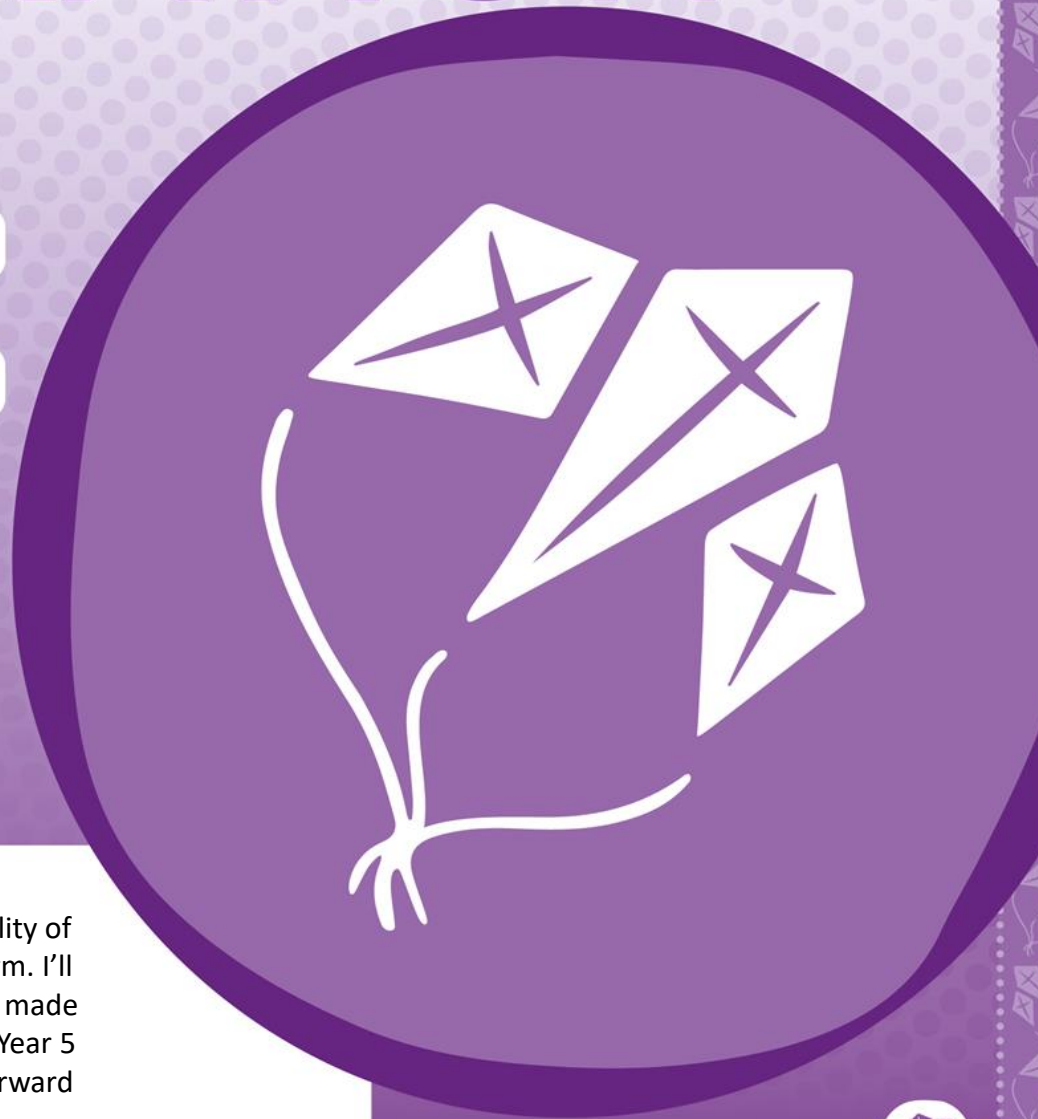
Class:

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 launched our first week by focussing on our CAW Quality of ASPIRATION, setting ambitious targets for the Autumn Term. I'll be giving out certificates on Monday to children who have made a great start towards meeting their goals. We also invited Year 5 and 6 to apply for the role of school ambassador. I look forward to reading their applications on Monday.



Atom Learning (Year 3-6)

Last year we trialled a homework app in Year 6 called ATOM Prime and we were thrilled with how engaged the children were in their learning.

You should have received an email to activate an account (if not that is fine) and login information will be sent home soon!

There are literally thousands of questions for children to access, last year we answered 12,500 questions, which is amazing!



Click the logo to find out more about what ATOM is and how we will use it... There are some videos you can watch!

Do you have what it takes to be a CAW Ambassador?



I'm grateful for the applications I have received so far. Children will be invited to present to an audience of their peers on Monday 19th September. Perhaps this is something you could be preparing for at home. I find it really useful to practise the things I have to say aloud to a big audience – it helps me to feel confident. Could this work for you too? Feet shoulder width apart, hands by your sides (like you're carrying shopping bags), chin up and eyes facing forward. Why not record yourself rehearsing your speech and making it better each time?

EFFORT

AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

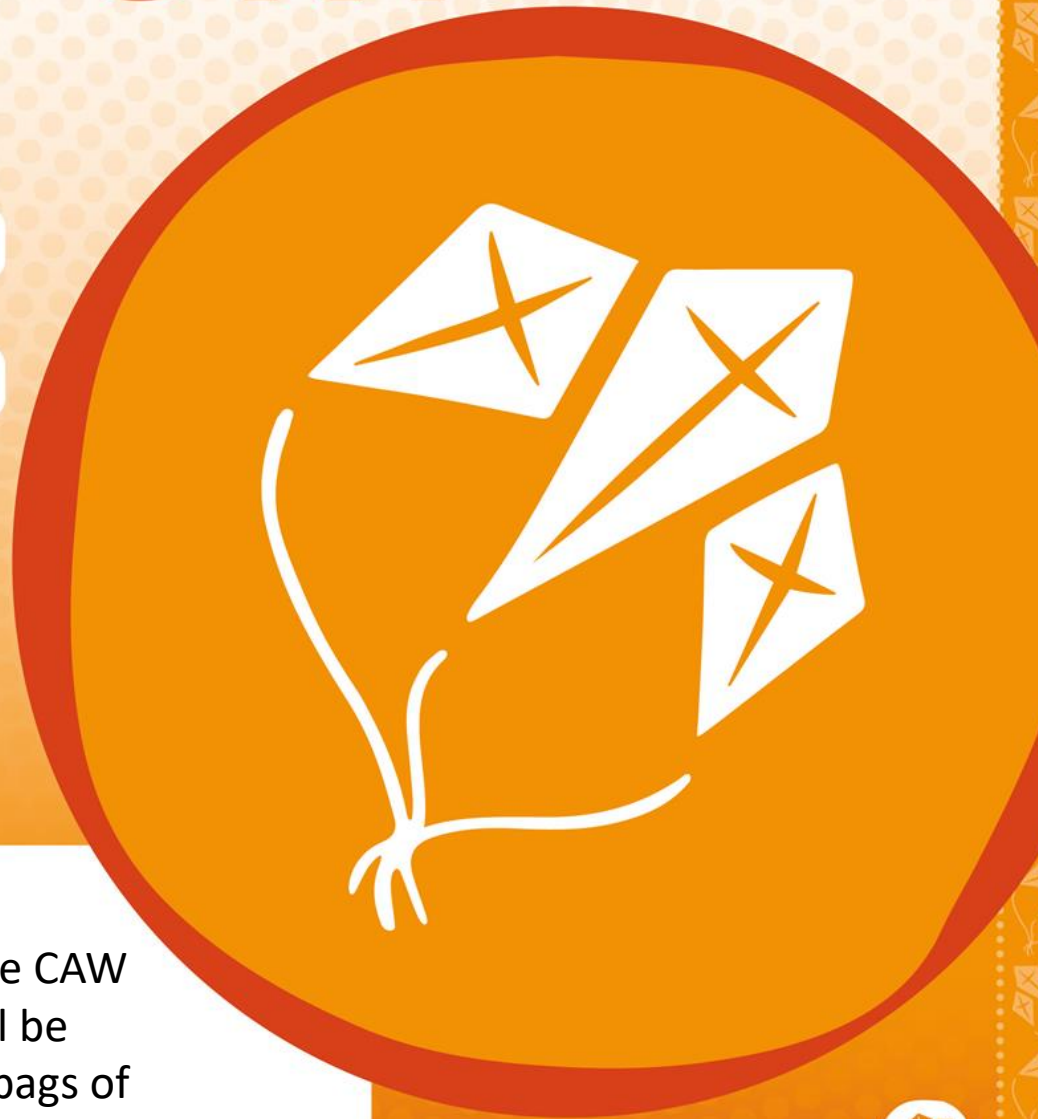
Class:

Years 1-6

- Jump in!
- Try hard
- Grow your brain
- Be brave
- Learn from mistakes
- Be excited to try new things

Teacher's Comments

We'll be shining a bright light on the CAW Quality EFFORT next week. We'll be discussing what it looks like to put bags of EFFORT in to our learning!





Attendance at City Academy

We are so pleased to report that overall Attendance and Punctuality has been excellent during our first week back at school – thank you!



We'll be holding our first class attendance celebration during Monday's assembly... will your child's class win the trophy...?



We have had a number of requests from families for upcoming absences due to term time holidays. Please remember that we are not able to authorise these and parents/carers should expect to receive fines from the Local Authority.

As always please speak to Mrs Storey in the school office every day before 11.00am if you have any questions at all about attendance or absences.

Jeans for Genes Day

Friday 23rd September 2022



**JEANS
FOR
GENES**

How do you WEAR yours?

To raise awareness for people living with genetic conditions, we will be celebrating **Jeans for Genes Day** on **Friday 23rd September 2022**. All children are invited to wear jeans and non-uniform to school!

We will be on the school gates with buckets to collect any donations that you might choose to make.

You can find more details here:

<https://www.jeansforgenes.org/>

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. **Children in Key Stage 2 can be quizzed by Mr. McAdam to win their Fluency Badge!**

If you earned a badge last year, please can you keep proudly wearing it! If you need a new badge – you will need to be quizzed again!



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

School Dinners Week 2

City Academy Whitehawk Autumn Week 2

Weekly menu



Monday

Cheesy Pasta Bake

Vegetable Penne Pasta in a Rich Tomato Sauce

Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Strawberry ice cream

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

Tuesday

Minced Beef Cottage Pie

Veggie Mince Cottage Pie

Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Custard

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

Wednesday

Roast Chicken served with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Cauliflower & Broccoli Bake

Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Cherry Shortbread Biscuit

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

Thursday

Cheesy Pizza served with Potato Wedges

Veggie Mince Wellington served with Potato Wedges

Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Chocolate Rice Crispy Cake

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

Friday

Breaded Fish Fingers & Chips

Veggie Sausage & Chips

Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

Fresh Vegetables

Jelly Pots

Fresh fruit or Yoghurt

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

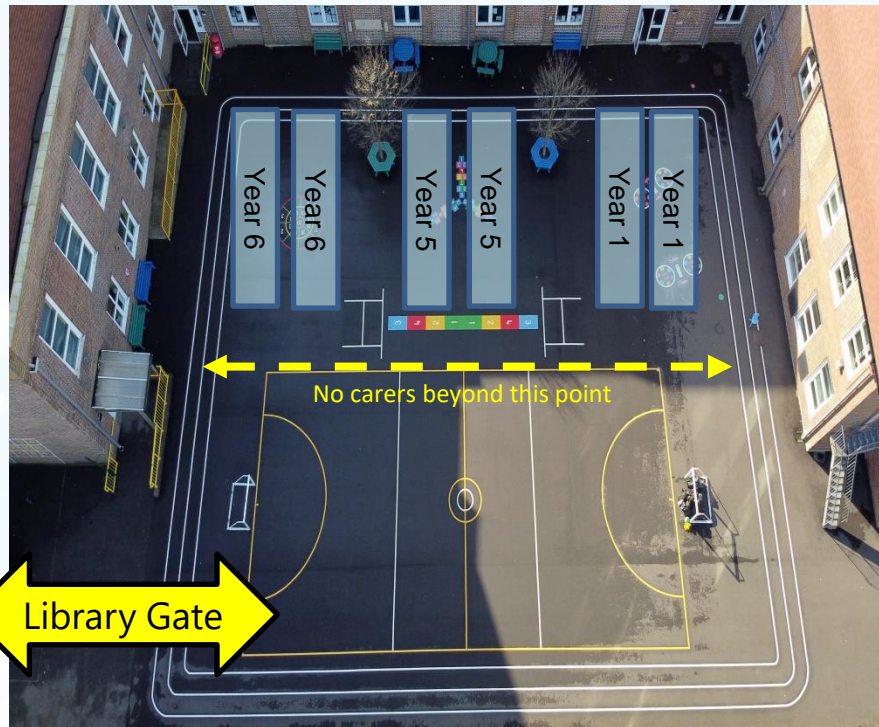
The 'main' school gate and 'canteen' school gates will open at 08:30 to admit children to school. The gate will close at 08:45. Families who arrive after this time will need to 'buzz' to be admitted and will receive a late mark.



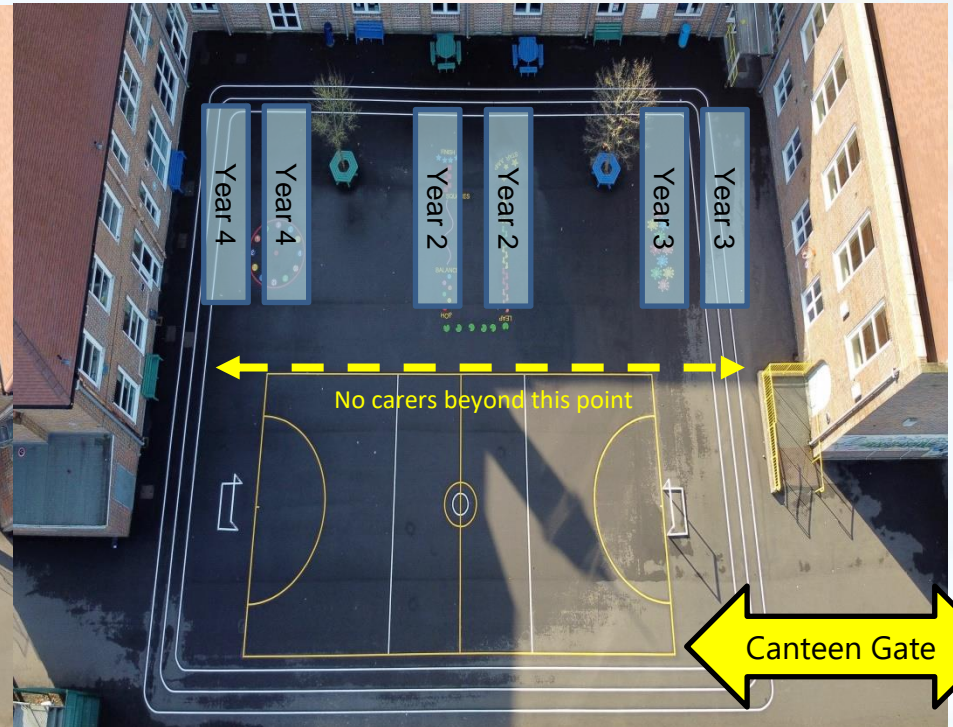
Year 1- 6 Home Time 2022/23

- 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.

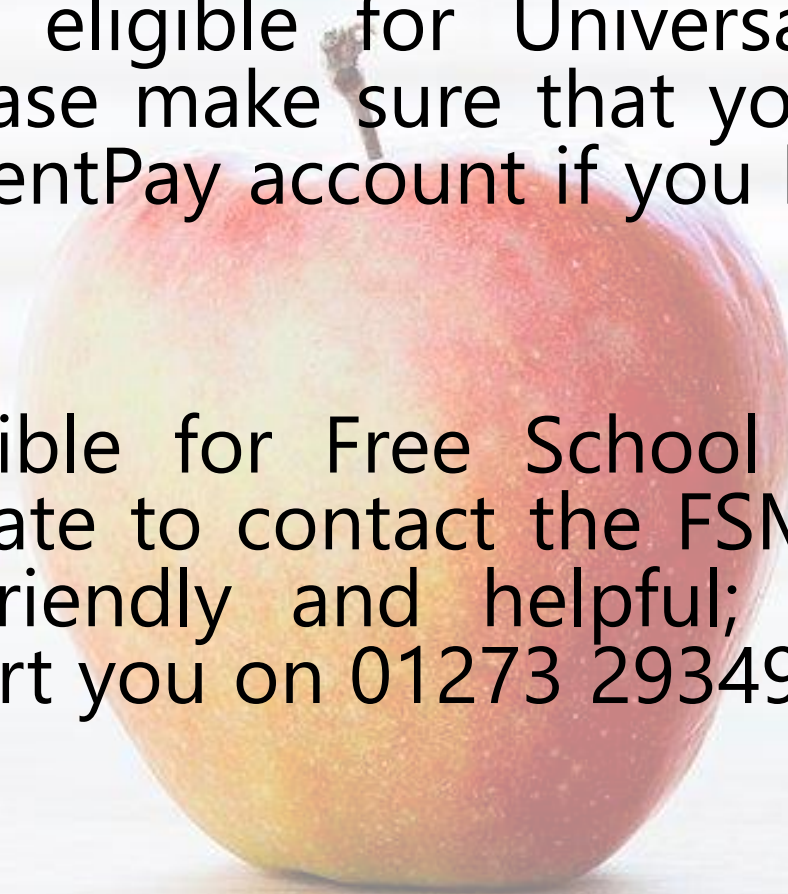
Children are offered a wonderful range of breakfast foods and play opportunities. Our Breakfast Club team escort the children to class for 08:30.



School 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: _____



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.

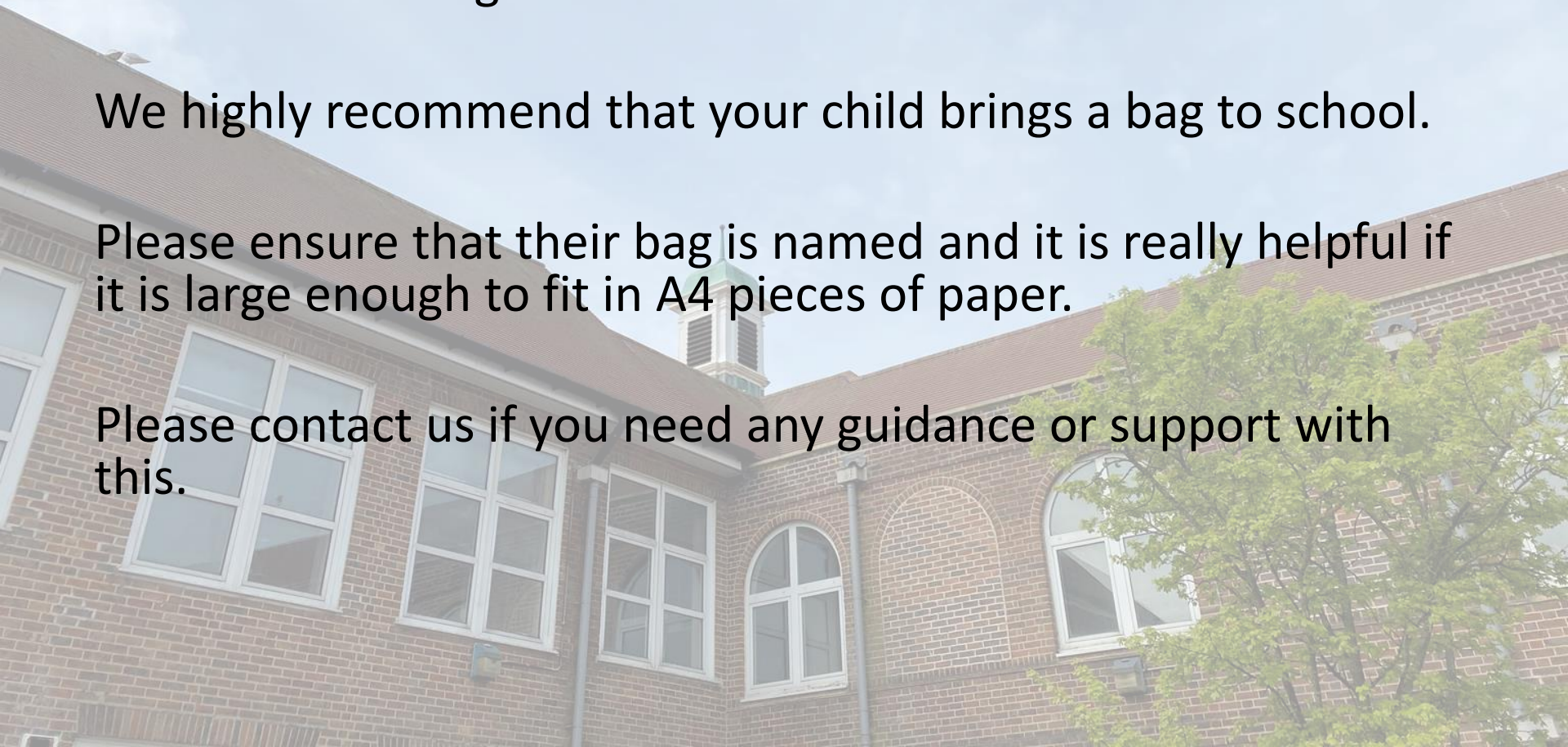
School Bags

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

The children have made such a fantastic start to the school year – I couldn't be more proud of their attitude to learning. The staff team has done a superb job and I'm really grateful for their hard work.

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.

Thomas McMorris
Headteacher

