

City Academy Whitehawk

An aerial photograph showing a large brick school building with a red roof and a central tower, surrounded by a dense residential area of houses with brown roofs. The school has a curved section and a small green field in front. The background shows a green hill under a blue sky.

Headteacher's Newsletter 19
June 30th 2023

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Friday 30th June 2023

Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

What a wonderful week! I'm delighted to showcase so much of our amazing provision in this newsletter: it really does me make proud to be a part of this community.

The Year Six residential was such a brilliant experience, and the children showed incredible maturity. From putting their own tents up, to barbecuing their own food, to organising their belongings...they really showed that they are ready to progress to secondary school! So much fun was had around the campfire (complete with marshmallow roasting and singalongs), playing in the woods and enjoying the great outdoors. I would like to extend a huge thank you to the staff who made this possible and were so generous with their time.

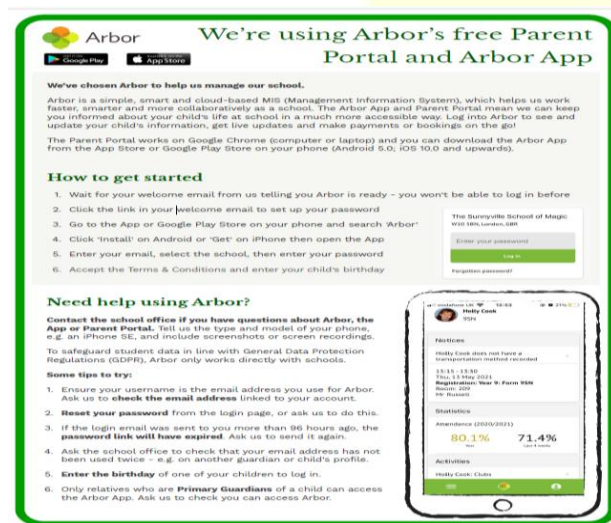
With the glorious sunshine we're enjoying (barring the odd rainstorm!), we continue to thank you for sending your child into school with a named water bottle, appropriate clothing, sunhats and suncream. As ever, please do read each page of the newsletter as it contains the most up to date information about CAW life.

Parent Portal & Arbor App

So far 83% of our parents/carers have signed up to use the App.

You should have received the activation email, if you are having any problems activating the App please contact the school office.

As well as communication, we will be bringing payments into Arbor as our end-to-end payment system, this means we will no longer be using ParentPay. Please refer to the email 21st June 2023



Arbor We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App

We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0, iOS 10.0 and upwards).

How to get started

1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready - you won't be able to log in before
2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
4. Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday

Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

1. Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor. Ask us to check the email address linked to your account.
2. Reset your password from the login page, or ask us to do this.
3. If the login email was sent to you more than 36 hours ago, the password link will have expired. Ask us to send it again.
4. Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
5. Enter the birthday of one of your children to log in.
6. Only relatives who are Primary Guardians of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.

The Sunnyville School of Magic
12345, London, GB

Enter your password

Log In

Forgotten password?

Notifications

Heidi Cook does not have a communication method recorded

21.11 - 11.30
Thu, 13 May 2021
Registration Year 9 Form 904
see details

Statistics

Attendance (2020/2021)

80.1% 71.4%

See 1 week

Activities

Heidi Cook - Clubs



SPORTS DAYS 2023



A massive congratulations to all who participated in Sports Days last week. It was great to see all the children running, jumping and throwing in so many events and earning 'Good Sports' bonus points for their house teams. It was a close contest in many events but a huge CONGRATULATIONS to AIR who won the whole event.

Thank you so much to all of our families who came to support and encourage the children on the day.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Reception, Y1 & Y2	EARTH 1695	WATER 1598	AIR 1588	FIRE 1517
Y3 & Y4	AIR 2714	WATER 2167	FIRE 1595	EARTH 1556
Y5 & Y6	FIRE 2020	WATER 1849	EARTH 1788	AIR 1592
TOTAL	AIR 5894	WATER 5614	FIRE 5132	EARTH 5039





Y5 Multi Sports Competition

A fabulous performance by the Y5 team who took part in a range of events during the afternoon. All of the team earnt points for each event and these were collected and went towards our final total. Such great **COLLABORATION** in action and a fair amount of **EFFORT** and **RESILIENCE** on such a hot day. Well done to all of the team who took part and we look forward to more events like this next year.



Withdean Athletics Team

Such a great display from the athletics team this year. Some fantastic team performances and COLLABORATION in the relays and some great individual EXCELLENCE in the field events giving us 5th place in our group.





Year 6 Sea Swimming

What a fabulous opportunity for our Year 6 swimmers. A morning at the beach with Swim England, the national governing body for swimming in England, and the RNLI, the charity that saves lives at sea. They were working together on the Swim Safe programme which is a swimming and beach/lake safety awareness initiative for children so they can be safe while on the beach and in the sea. A great time was had by all, children and staff!

Summer Term PE Days & Kits

We continue to ask that children come to school in their PE kits on their PE days. Please remember, as ever, that it is fine to wear trackies and school jumpers. We must ask that PE kit reflects our school colours, if it is not official uniform.

Please wear PE kit into school on these days:

YG	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Day	Mondays	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Monday	Thursday	Monday
		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Thursday	Friday	Tuesday

Children should bring an appropriate change of clothes for after school sport clubs.

Reading Raffle 6!

Click on each link to learn more about the book and see inside!

Jolly Postman - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X7q_Lq5cIFY

Pocket Jolly Postman - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vegez0Fh_cy0

Kitchen Disco - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aeg0cNyaj7w>

Bathroom Boogie - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UD96l_8kMTI

Veg Patch Party - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CuCjdoShYMI>

Hilda books - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ta1Ow2YfKX8>

Breakfast Club Adventures - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s9Wk2ISmk-Q>

Am I made of stardust? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MHXcwE3r00>

Kitty books - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nGqVfcoflWw>

Rain Before Rainbows - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XsYIU-ozt60>



This is a reading raffle like no other! There are a huge **34 prizes** to be won this term to celebrate our second year of reading raffles!

1ST - 3RD &
8TH - 10TH
AUGUST

FREE HAF PLAYSCHEME



City
Academy
Whitehawk

Free
Hot
Lunch

FOR CHILDREN RECEIVING FREE SCHOOL MEALS &
ATTENDING CITY ACADEMY WHITEHAWK

book your place

[HTTPS://EEQU.ORG/EXPERIENCE/3513](https://eequ.org/experience/3513)

Spaces are limited, please get booking to avoid
disappointment!

Any questions or struggling to book? Give Ruth a
text/call: 07900 180 199



Dear Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 families,

We are working on reading fluently at the moment. This means we need to be able to say sounds as soon as we see them or read words quickly in our head.

Here are some fun ways to become a more fluent reader.



Time your child reading a page of their book. Can they beat their time the next day?

Complex Speed Sounds															
Consonant sounds															
f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng					
ff	ll	mm	nn	rr	ss	ve	zz	ti							
ph	le	mb	kn	wr	se	s	ci								
			gn		c	ce	se								
b	c	d	g	h	j	p	qu	t	w	x	y	ch			
bb	k	dd	gg		g	pp		tt	wh			tch			
	ck	ch	gu		ge	dge									
Vowel sounds															
a	e	i	o	u	ay	ee	igh	ow							
	ea				ā-e	ē-e	ī-e	ō-e							
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Point to sounds on the chart to see how many your child can read in 1 minute. Can they beat their personal best?



Use practise sheets and booklets. Can your child read the words speedily?



Good luck!
Miss Varco



Celebrating Reading and looking forward to next year

Dear Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Families,

Thank you for all your support and dedication with helping your child develop their reading! We're so proud of everything they have achieved in school and at home.

You are invited to a parent and carer reading celebration and information session where you'll get to hear about what is next in your child's reading journey and how you can support them over the summer holidays to have the best possible start. Ice creams will be served!

Please see dates and times below:

Year Group	Date and Time
Reception	Monday 10 th July 2.40 -3.10
Year 1	Thursday 13 th 2.40 – 3.10
Year 2	Tuesday 11 th July 2.40-3.10

Miss Scozzafava, Miss Varco & Miss Delaney

Hatchlings Trip to the Beach



Year 6 Dates

Metro Bank Trip

June 20th (eagles)

June 21st (falcons)

Racecourse Trip

July 4th

Residential

June 26th – 29th

Year 6 BBQ

July 20th (afterschool)

All Year 6 Football Match

July 13th (after school)

Leavers Assembly

July 21st (@10am)

Transition Day

Thursday July 6th (new date!)

Sports Day

June 20th (pm)

Career Fair

June 23rd

Leaver's Trip (Details soon)

July 18th

Residential Parents Meeting

June 15th (3:15)

Nursery Sports Day



Year Six Careers Fair

We were delighted to host thirteen different professionals who kindly volunteered their time to share their job roles with our Year Six children. The Careers Fair was a brilliant opportunity for the children to hear about the opportunities available to them in their future. This is all part of our provision to help the children become 'next stage ready'. We had an eclectic range, including NHS professionals, the creative manager of the Theatre Royal, a sound designer and someone who works in the House of Commons. The children were a credit to the school, showing exceptional respect, taking notes and asking intelligent questions. We look forward to making this an annual event!



Year Six Leavers' Barbecue Thursday 20th July 2023

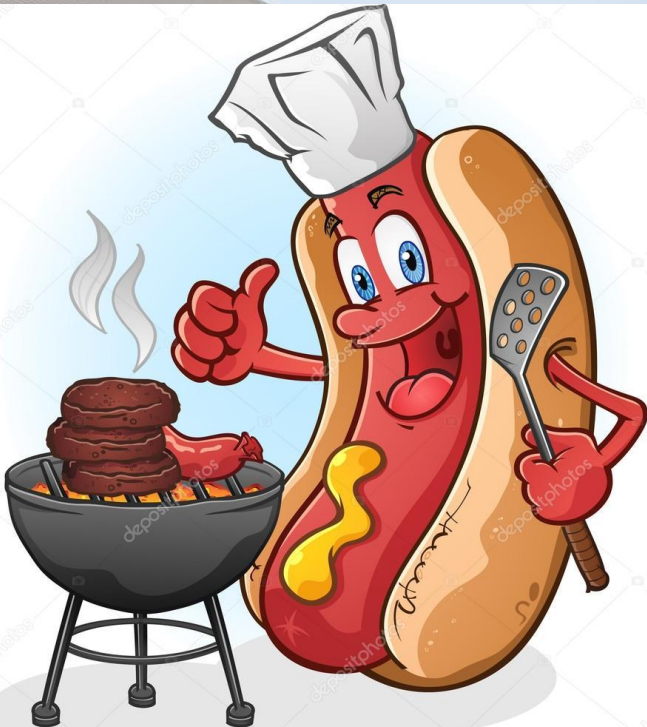


Calling all outdoor chefs!

The CAW PTA have kindly agreed to run the Year Six Leavers' Barbecue on Thursday 20th July. We are in need of anyone who would be kind enough to donate some time, some barbecue equipment, or both!

Please contact Mr. Wood at cawadmin@auroraacademies.org to help out.

The CAW PTA welcomes any help or support, but if you'd like to help out with the barbecue as a one off without making a commitment to joining the PTA, that is absolutely great!



Tigerhawk the Sheep!

Our very own Martlets Shaun the Sheep (named TIGERHAWK!) has been delivered to the city's holding pen, and we're so proud to have him on show! Every child in the school was able to contribute to his design...following our popular Arts Week tiger theme, he's been decorated in tiger stripes: CAW sky blue with maroon thumb prints!

If you would like to donate towards our Shaun the Sheep fundraising goal (100% voluntary), here's the link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/City-Academy-Whitehawk>



Keep your valuable trading cards safe!

Football and Pokemon trading cards are wonderful collections to build, and we know how important they are to children. As such, it's recommended that children leave these treasured items at home, rather than bringing them to school where they could get mislaid.



Let It Grow! Let It Grow! Can't hold it back anymore...

Our amazing new PTA did an incredible job in organising for every child in the school to have the opportunity to take a free plant pot, seed and compost set home! We'd love to hear all about how the green-thumbed children have got on.

Remember that every child can earn a free green Blue Peter badge for growing their seed! This will provide free or discounted entry to a huge number of activities and attractions. Entry details are here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/curations/bp-let-it-grow>



House Points

We've still got three weeks of the school year left, and there's all to play for in the final House Competition! We've got a VERY special celebration in store, so keep earning those valuable Learning Tickets. Every ticket counts!

C	Collaboration	
A	Aspiration	
R	Resilience	
E	Effort	
E	Excellence	
R	Respect	

Air
2650 points

Earth
2711 points



Fire
2933 points

Water
2905 points

Each week there are two classes who win a Class Reward. Congratulations to these previous winners:

	Year 1 to 3	Years 4 to 6
Week 3	Woodpeckers	Barn Owls
Week 4	Kestrels	Hérons

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Summer 2 Week 5 CAW Quality of the Week: RESPECT



[Dalai Lama visits UK's first Buddhist primary school \(Newsround\)](#)

[How to make a Dharma wheel](#)

CAW Significant Figure of the Week

The Dalai Lama (Tenzin Gyatso) [\(CBeebies\)](#)

Spiritual leader of Gelug Tibetan Buddhism

The Dalai Lama is the spiritual leader of the Tibetan Buddhist religion. People in this religion see him as someone who represents kindness and compassion. The Dharma wheel is an important symbol of Buddhism, and represents the circle of life. Tibet believes itself to be an independent country, but is not recognised as such by the Chinese government.



RESPECT

AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

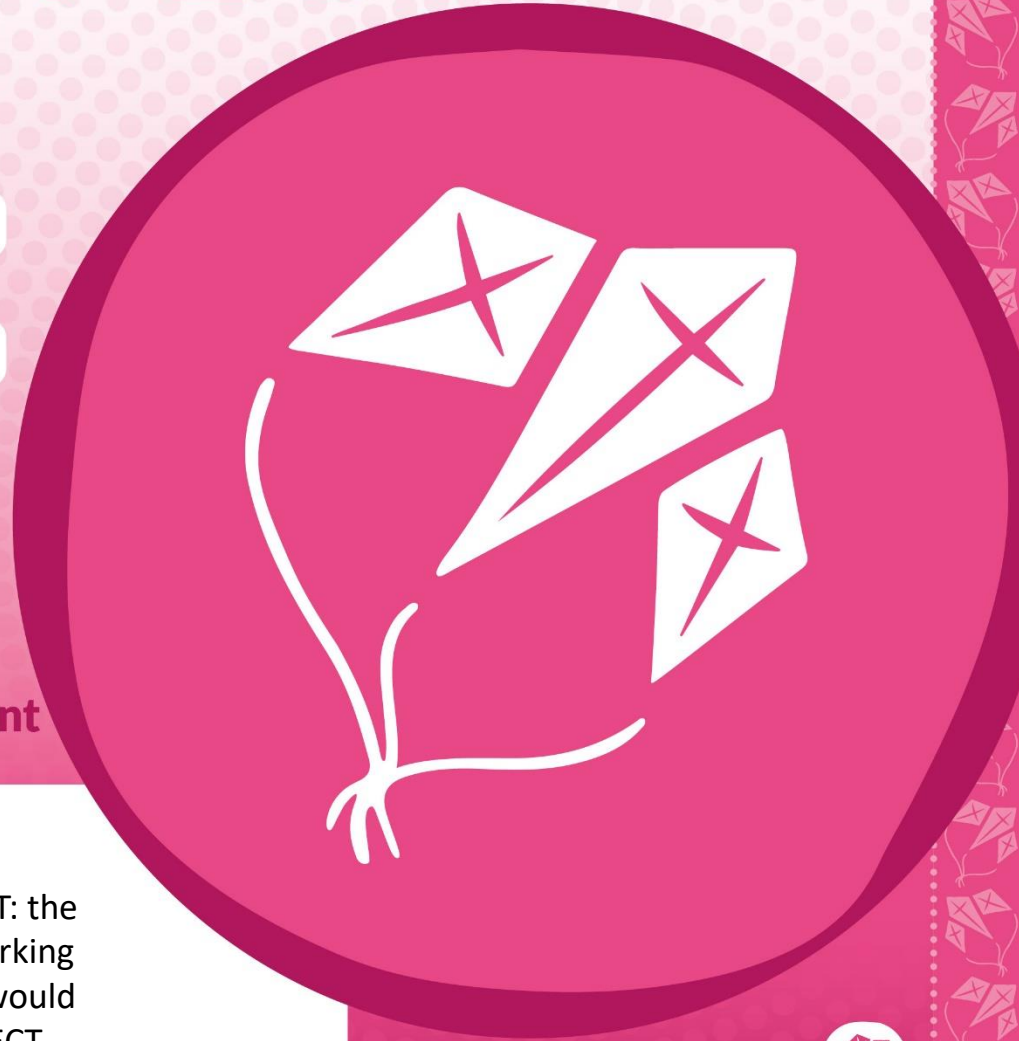
Class:

Years 1-6

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

Teacher's Comments

Next week, we will be focusing on RESPECT: the culmination of all of the CAW qualities working together. Treating other people how you would like to be treated is showing them RESPECT.



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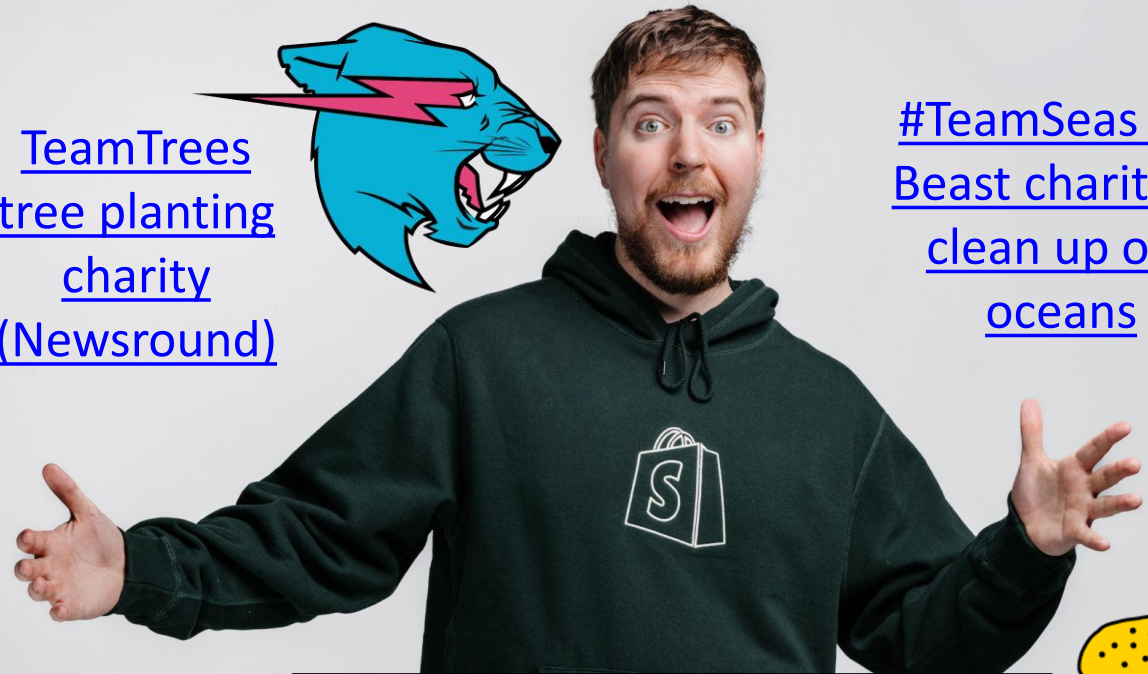


Summer 2 Week 4 CAW Quality of the Week: EFFORT

TeamTrees
tree planting
charity
(Newsround)



#TeamSeas Mr.
Beast charity to
clean up our
oceans



CAW Significant Figure of the Week

Mr. Beast
Burger

Mr. Beast (James Donaldson)
YouTuber and philanthropist



With over 162 million subscribers, Mr. Beast is the most subscribed to individual on the planet! He started making videos aged 13. He is also a **philanthropist**: he has raised over \$50 million for charity, and is responsible for over 23 million trees being planted. He even has his own fast food brand called Mr. Beast Burger!



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 awarding certificates for EFFORT/HAVE A GO HORSE in the next assembly.

Through hard work it's possible to overcome almost any difficulty, and realise your full potential!





HARRISON
EST.1994

EAT GOOD LIVE HAPPY

Harrison Catering Services is a family-owned business with a clear approach: we prepare **fresh food from fresh ingredients**. This means that all your child's delicious meals are **prepared** by our **trained chefs**.

We use high-quality, sustainably-sourced, seasonal food. Our menus feature organic ingredients, British free-range eggs, and fresh, British-sourced meat and poultry.

Harrison understands that what children eat affects their health and ability to learn and perform in the classroom.

At City Academy Whitehawk, our catering team provides nutritious, balanced meals, and we work to educate the students on how to make healthier food choices.

Our goal is to instil a love and understanding of fresh, healthy food at a young age that will positively influence them throughout life.



www.harrisoncatering.co.uk

FREE LUNCH FOR KEY STAGE 1 (UFSM)

THE UNIVERSAL INFANT
FREE SCHOOL MEAL (UFSM)
SCHEME OFFERS A FREE
SCHOOL MEAL TO PUPILS
IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND
YEAR 2.

PLEASE LET THE SCHOOL
KNOW IF YOUR CHILD WILL
NOW BE HAVING LUNCH.

Our menu offer includes popular meat and
vegetarian hot choice with vegetables as well
as a daily salad bar and fresh baked bread.

Additional **new plated packed lunch
options are also available**. A homemade
dessert or fresh-cut fruit or yoghurt completes
the 2-course meal.

OUR NEW MENU ITEMS

OUR LUNCH OFFER

The menus are created with the pupil in mind
including favourite and popular choices, along
with new dishes. We gather input from our
customers, our team, development chefs and
company nutritionist.

Our food is prepared on site, by our trained team,
in line with government school food standards
and Food for Life.

Free School Meals

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Please speak
with the school.

Information on NHS Healthy Start Card

The NHS have started a scheme called the Healthy Start Card, which result in you receiving money towards milk, infant formula, fruit and vegetables.

www.healthystart.nhs.uk



You can claim it if you receive Universal Credit and

- **you are more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4**
- **your family's monthly 'take-home pay for this period' is £408 or less from employment**

You can also claim it if you get Child Tax Credit, if:

- **you have at least one child under 4 years old**
- **your family's annual income is £16,190 or less**
 - **you do not get Working Tax Credit**

Uniform

Please visit [Logo Sports](https://www.logosports.co.uk) to purchase your uniform.



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

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Uniform

Please visit [Logo Sports](#) to purchase your uniform.



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.



2020-2021 Dates for your Diary

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

Monday 3rd July: INSET

Tuesday 18th July: Teacher/Family Consultations

Wednesday 19th July: Teacher/Family Consultations

Friday 21st July: End of School Year



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.

I look forward to seeing children in our next assembly!

Yours sincerely,

Thomas McMorris
Headteacher

