

City Academy Whitehawk



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Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

Thank you so much to everyone who joined us in celebrating Jeans for Genes day today! It's not too late to make a donation on Arbor Pay if you are in a position to do so and we look forward to sending this money to support genetic diseases, a subject close to the heart of so many families in the school community.

Children have enjoyed a superbly successful fortnight here at school and my visits to lessons have been a pleasure – it's been great to see such hard work and the pride that comes from it! If you're curious to find out more about what your children are studying this term, please [click here](#) and visit their year group page!

We've been really pleased with school-wide improvement to wearing our uniform this school year; please continue to support your children to come to school in uniform, it's unites us and plays a large part in the sense of belonging that we enjoy here at CAW. There is information in this edition of the newsletter about affordable uniform.

As ever, please have a good read of this newsletter to learn about everything going on here at school.

Smarter Uniforms

A marketplace for affordable and sustainable school uniform

WHY CHOOSE SMARTER UNIFORMS?

Smarter Uniforms is committed to promoting affordable and sustainable school uniforms throughout the city of Brighton and Hove. We believe that reusing pre-loved clothing is one of the most environmentally responsible ways to dress. By extending the lifespan of clothing by just nine months, we can significantly reduce its environmental impact while also saving families money.

Our mission is to provide a marketplace where parents and carers can buy and sell unwanted and outgrown school uniforms at a fraction of the cost of new. We understand that school uniforms are durable and made to last, but children outgrow them quickly. Our marketplace offers a convenient and cost-effective alternative to buying new uniforms.

We believe that access to affordable school uniforms is essential for all families, particularly during times of rising inflation and economic uncertainty. By promoting the reuse of clothing, we aim to make school uniforms more accessible and sustainable for all. Join us in our mission to reduce waste, save money, and support families across our city.

<https://smarter-uniforms.sharetribe.com/>

Jeans for Genes Day: THANK YOU!

It was wonderful to so many children and staff members wearing jeans and non-uniform today to support such a special charity.

If you would still like to make a voluntary donation, you can do so through Arbor Pay.

You can find more details about the charity and the great work they do here:

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



Year 7 Applications

The closing date for applications to transfer to secondary school in September 2024 is the **31st October 2023**.

Guidance on the application process is available on the council website here: [School application guides](#)

Online applications are open on the council website here: [Apply for a school place](#)

If you require a paper application form, please pop into the school office.

Application form

(Common application form for Community, Free, Church Voluntary Aided schools and Academies)

For children applying for

Year 7

(first year of secondary school)

in September 2024

Please return this form
by **31 October 2023** to
your **child's present school**.

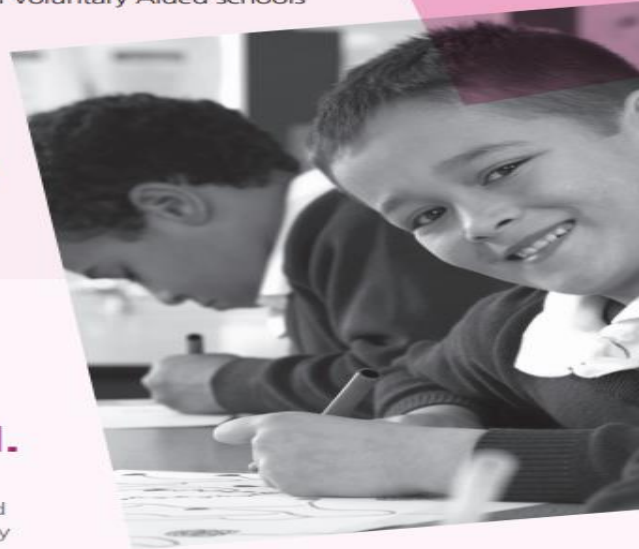
Any information required by any church voluntary aided school for which you are applying must be handed in by the same deadline to the school in question.

If you return this form after 31 October 2023, it is late.

In this case please return to the School Admissions Team,
Hove Town Hall, Norton Road, Hove, BN3 3BQ.

You can apply online at

www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/schooladmissions



House Points

It's been wonderful to see many of the CAW Qualities on display over the past week! Adults have been delighted to reward great learning behaviours with **Learning Tickets**. Remember...every ticket counts and could be enough to win the weekly Class Celebration or the half termly House Celebration!



Air
1712 points

Earth
1741 points

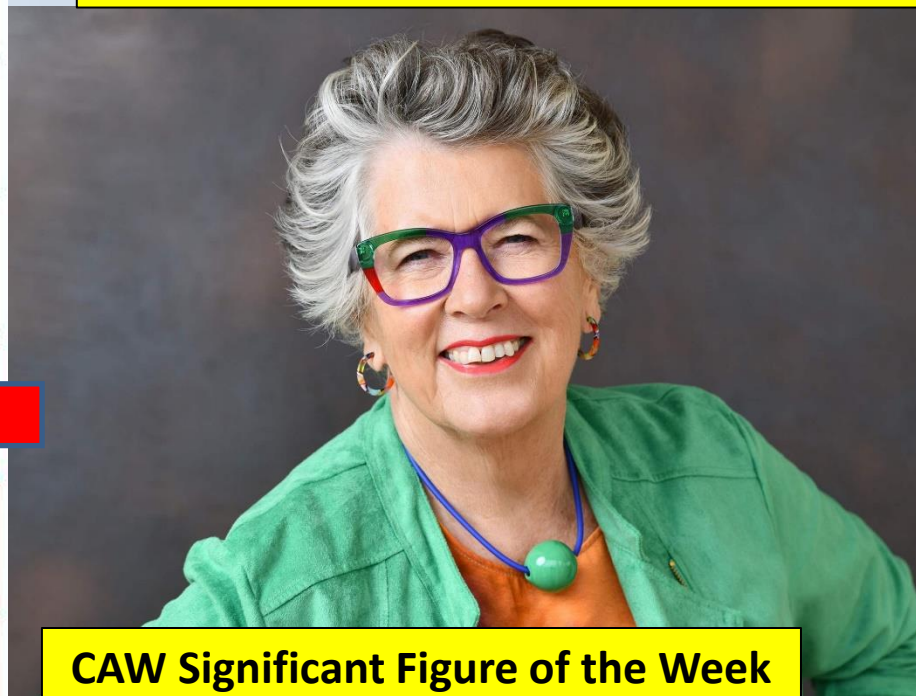
Fire
1752 points

Water
1808 points



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

	Year 1 to 3	Years 4 to 6
Week 1	Woodpeckers	Barn Owls
Week 2	Puffins	Barn Owls

C**Collaboration****A****Aspiration****R****Resilience****E****Effort****E****Excellence****R****Respect****Autumn 1 Week CAW 4 Quality of the Week: EFFORT****CAW Significant Figure of the Week****Prue Leith***Restaurateur, television presenter and author*

You may recognise Dame Pure Leith from being a judge on the *The Great British Bake Off*, but she has a long ad varied career! As well as running several restaurants, she was the first woman appointed to the British Rail board and improved the food on trains! Prue has also authored cookery books and novels, and has helped raise millions of pounds for charity. There is no doubt she has always shown incredible amounts of **EFFORT**!

Who is Prue Leith?
(Newsround)

Prue wants to ban
packed lunches!
Do you agree with
her reasons?

Sustain: healthy
and sustainable
food charity that
Leith supports

What causes Climate
Change?



Our City,
Our World

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

Next week, our CAW Quality of the Week will be
EFFORT/HAVE A GO HORSE.

How can you make sure you give 100% in your
learning?



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Autumn 1 Week 3 CAW Quality of the Week: RESPECT



CAW Significant Figure of the Week

Nikki Lilly

Charity campaigner, YouTuber and television presenter

When Nikki was six she was diagnosed with a rare medical condition called AVM (arteriovenous malformation). This led to a change in how she looks. She had to have four months away from primary school and went to America for operations. This did not stop her! She is a tireless campaigner raising money for an AVM charity, as well as being a popular YouTuber (with over 2.5 million subscribers!) and television presenter. Nikki Lilly certainly deserves our **RESPECT!**

[Nikki's YouTube channel](#)

[Butterfly AVM Charity](#)

[Junior Bake Off winner \(Newsround\)](#)

[Nikki's book Come on Life](#)

What is Climate Change?



**Our City,
Our World**

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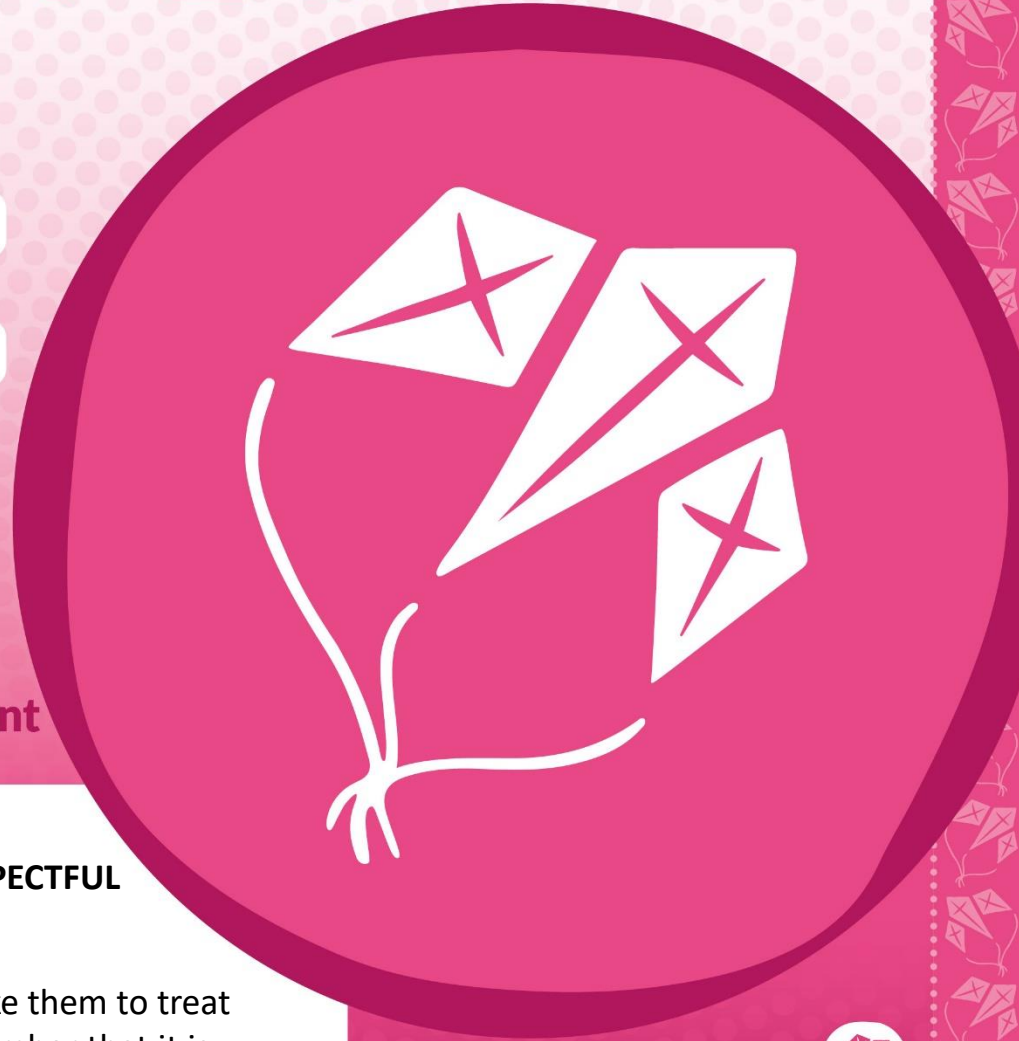
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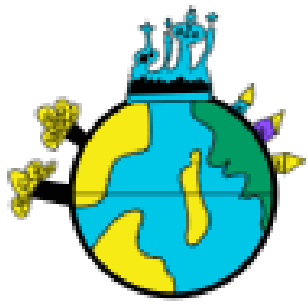
- Listen to others
- Be kind when you disagree
- Explain things to help others
- Be tolerant
- Take care of the school environment

Teacher's Comments

We'll be awarding certificates for **RESPECT/RESPECTFUL RABBIT** qualities in the next assembly.

RESPECT means treating others as you would like them to treat you. Empathy will help you achieve this! Remember that it is important to treat yourself with **RESPECT** too.





Our City, Our World



We are proud to announce that we have launched a **WHOLE SCHOOL INITIATIVE** to join other schools across Brighton and Hove to help build a just and sustainable city.

Our aims at City Academy Whitehawk are to:

1. Raise awareness of environmental issues through weekly class assemblies
2. 'Green' the curriculum by adding environmental learning to our studies
3. Implement school-wide sustainable operations and systems to reduce waste
4. Create opportunities for children to connect with nature

Please ask your children about their weekly **OUR CITY, OUR WORLD** class assemblies, and check the website for more information:

<https://www.ourcityyourworld.co.uk/>

We welcome any ideas that families may have to support this important work! Please send any suggestions to Mr. Wood at: cawadmin@auroraacademies.org

CAW AUTUMN TERM CLUBS 2023

IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO JOIN ONE OF THESE CLUBS,
PLEASE REGISTER ON ARBOR APP

	Year 1 & 2	Year 3 & 4		Year 5 & 6	
Monday			Street Dance 3.10 – 4.10 Hall Dance hub	Street Dance 3.10 – 4.10 Hall Dance hub	
Tuesday	Lego 3.10 – 4.10 Miss Linehan Hall	Lego 3.10 – 4.10 Miss Linehan Hall	Football 3.10 – 4.10 BHA South Playground	Lego 3.10 – 4.10 Miss Linehan Hall	Football 3.10 – 4.10 BHA South Playground
Wednesday	Art 3.10 – 4.10 Year 4 classrooms Mr Newbatt and Miss Reynolds	Art 3.10 – 4.10 Year 4 classrooms Mr Newbatt and Miss Reynolds	Cricket 3.10-4.10 Sussex Cricket South Playground	Cricket 3.10-4.10 Sussex Cricket South Playground	Gymnastics 3.10 – 4.10 Cym HiTide Gymnastics Club Start date TBC
Thursday	Gardening 3.10 – 4.10 Mrs Fogden Wellsbourne Garden (Untill half term)	Gardening 3.10 – 4.10 Mrs Fogden Wellsbourne Garden (Untill half term)	Tennis 3.10-4.10 Mr Issacs Cym/South playground	Tennis 3.10-4.10 Mr Issacs Cym/South playground	
Friday	Karate 3.10 – 4.10 Hall SAMA (charged)	Chess 3.10-4.10 Mr Wood Y2 Classroom	Karate 3.10 – 4.10 Hall SAMA (charged)	Book club 3.10 – 4.10 Mr McMorrin Mr McMorrin's office	Chess 3.10- 4.10 Mr Wood Y2 Classroom

We're excited for our first week of after school clubs! Thank you all for using Arbor for registering for clubs for the first time. We're thrilled with the demand for our clubs but know that this sadly means some people miss out – Miss. Bennett and Mrs. Brown will monitor our waiting lists closely and let you all know as soon as possible about any changes to registers.

School Dinners Next Week

City Academy Whitehawk - Autumn/Winter - Week 1

Weekly menu



Monday

Pork Sausage & Mashed Potato served with Gravy

Veggie Sausage & Mashed Potato served with Gravy

Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings

Ham or Cheese Sandwich with Nachos and Salad

Fresh Vegetables

Chocolate Ice Cream

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Tuesday

Meat Pizza served with Potato Wedges

Cheese Pizza served with Potato Wedges

Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings

Ham or Cheese Sandwich with Nachos and Salad

Fresh Vegetables

Vanilla Sponge with Custard

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Wednesday

Roast Gammon served with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Veggie Parcel served with Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings

Ham or Cheese Sandwich with Nachos and Salad

Fresh Vegetables

Strawberry Jelly

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Thursday

Beef Lasagne served with Garlic Bread

Veggie Lasagne served with Garlic Bread

Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings

Ham or Cheese Sandwich with Nachos and Salad

Fresh Vegetables

Homemade Cookie

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Friday

Battered Fish & Chips

Quorn Nuggets & Chips

Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings

Ham or Cheese Sandwich with Nachos and Salad

Fresh Vegetables

Carrot Cake

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

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 but that these should be in line with our uniform policy.

Please wear PE kit into school on these days:

YG	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Day	Fridays (from Oct)	Tues	Mon	Weds	Weds	Tue	Tue
		Thurs	Thurs	Fri	Thurs	Fri	Thurs

Naming Uniform

We already have a large amount of misplaced and unnamed new uniform from this school year. We understand and share your concerns about this; please ensure all of your child's uniform is named so that we can return it to them.

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 can write their name in Sharpie pen on the items for them. We hope this will help avoid children losing their lovely uniforms.

Dates for your Diary

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

Friday 22nd September: Jeans for Genes Day

Week beginning 16th October: Family Engagement Events

Tuesday 17th October: Family/Teacher consultation 15:30 – 19:00

Wednesday 18th October: Family/Teacher consultation 15:30-17:00

Thursday 19th October: End of Autumn Term 1 for children

Friday 20th October: INSET

Monday 30th October: Start of Autumn Term 2

Friday 10th November: INSET Day

Week beginning Monday 11th December: Family Engagement Events

Friday 15th December 13:00: End of Autumn Term 2

Tuesday 2nd January: INSET

Wednesday 3rd January: Start of Spring 1 for children

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.

Have a fantastic weekend and I look forward to welcoming everyone to school on Monday morning and celebrating the CAW Quality of EFFORT....

Thomas McMorris
Headteacher

