# City Academy Whitehawk





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### Friday 21st October

Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

We finish the term feeling very proud of our achievements. Thank you so much for the support you have shown to your children and the school this week. It was superb to see so many of you attending our Engagement Events and Consultation Evenings; there was a really fantastic feeling of community. I was very proud to tour the school to prospective parents during this time, which is a credit to your collaboration, the excellence of our teachers and the brilliance of the children's attitudes to learning.

This newsletter contains everything you should need to know about the running of the school, including our key dates. Please have a careful look at the closing pages of this letter for details about our upcoming INSET days.



Do you have a child due to start school in September 2023?









#### I'd like to offer a warm welcome to all prospective parents.

Here at City Academy Whitehawk we are immensely proud of our school community. We would love for you to join our 'Outstanding' Reception classes in September 2023. We believe passionately in every child's potential; we support, nurture and challenge all children so that they flourish and become the very best that they can be. We strive to provide exceptional learning opportunities so that every child develops the self-belief, skills and knowledge that they need to live a successful, fulfilling life.

Thomas McMorrin, Headteacher

#### Early Years rated Outstanding by Ofsted (2018)

66 Children make a very strong start to school life in the Reception classes.

Parents are overwhelmingly positive about the start to school life their children make.

Appreciation of the needs of children in this age group has enabled them to provide good quality resources, both indoors and in the well-equipped outdoor area.

#### Why come and see us?

- Our highly skilled Reception team is committed to providing exciting learning experiences of the highest quality.
- Our purpose built Early Years setting is incredibly well resourced. Children have free-access to multiple classrooms and our expansive outdoor area which spans the entire width of our setting.
- We have a high ratio of adults to children in Reception to enable children to have the best possible start to school.
- All children are invited to attend a free Breakfast Club from 8am every day.
- Our whole school assessment results have increased significantly in recent years. Ofsted noted 'Pupils who left Year 6 made better progress than others nationally'.
- Children benefit from high quality and comprehensive Speech & Language provision.
- Play is at the heart of practice. We adopt an experiential approach to learning which immerses children in exciting hooks, problem solving and play-based activities.



Visit our wonderful school and meet our Headteacher and Head of Early Years

**OPEN EVENING**Wednesday 2nd November

SCHOOL TOUR
Tuesday 8th & 15th November

Please call 01273 681377 or email cawadmin@auroraacademies.org to book, www.caw.brighton-hove.sch.uk

## **House Points Update**

Huge congratulations to **EARTH HOUSE** for their triumph in the Autumn 1 Learning Ticket competition. Children from Years 1 to 6 enjoyed an amazing PUMPKIN PARTY We had relay races, team games of skill and dexterity, and designed our very own scary pumpkins. It was utterly **SPOOKTACULAR!** 





Air 4117 points Earth 4971 points

Fire 3476 points

Water 3451 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 5	Goldfinches	Jackdaws
Week 6	Kites	Falcons
Week 7	Goldfinches	Magpies

## **Rights Respecting School**

We are proud to announce that City Academy Whitehawk is now a Bronze Rights Respecting School.

A Rights Respecting School is a community where children's rights of the UNCRC are taught, learnt, practised, respected, protected and promoted. A Rights Respecting School is a place where children can feel confident to use their voice to help make a difference. The word RESPECT has always been at the core of our "being" at City Academy Whitehawk as one of our core qualities.





Later in the year, we will be asking more children to apply to be a part of our 'Steering Group,' please encourage them to fill in the application form. They will help us to raise awareness about the UNCRC and promoting the awareness of children's rights at City Academy Whitehawk. Children who are a part of the Steering Group will be able to promote pupil voice and encourage other children to give their opinions on issues both in and out of school.

If you have any questions, please contact Miss Woods, Mrs Grandi or Mr Wood.

# RESPECT

### **AWARDED TO**

Name:

It could be you!

Class:

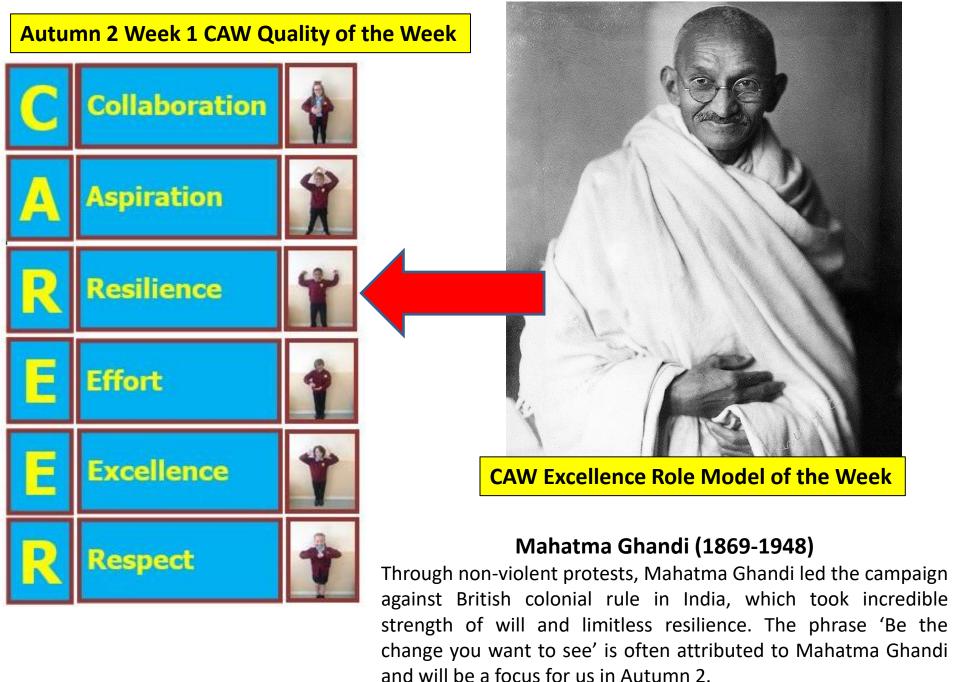
Years 1-6

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

#### **Teacher's Comments**

We launched Black History Month with a special focus on celebrating difference and demonstrating RESPECT. I'm looking forward to awarding our certificates on the first Monday morning back at school.









### 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



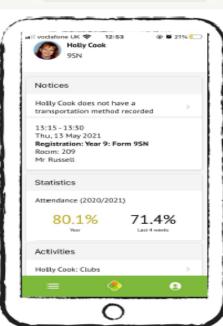
#### Need help using Arbor?

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:

- Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor.
   Ask us to check the email address linked to your account.
- Reset your password from the login page, or ask us to do this.
- If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the password link will have expired. Ask us to send it again.
- 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.
- Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.



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

We are aiming to use this Portal as our main Communication channel, to help reduce the amount of paper used in school.

### A Reminder: Year 6 Parents

Application deadline for starting secondary school in September 2023

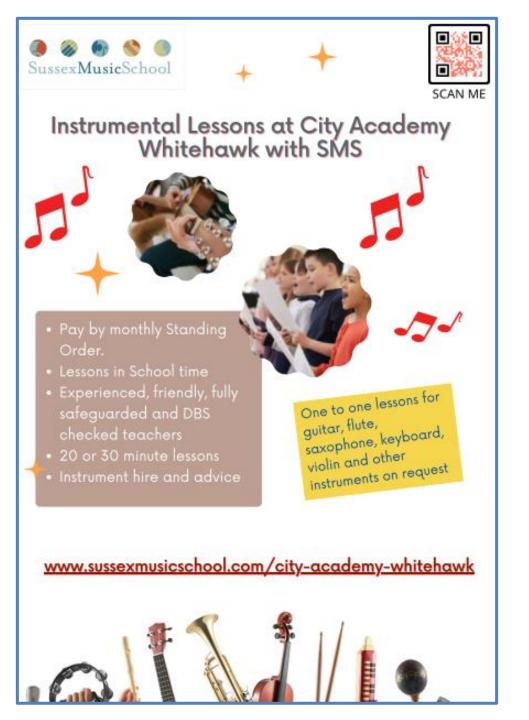
The closing date for applications to transfer to secondary school in September 2023 is **31st October 2022.** 

Guidance on the application process is available on the council website School application guides

Online applications are open on the council website. Apply for a school place

Email offers in response to online applications will be made after noon on 1st March 2023.

No decisions will be given by telephone.



# Opportunity for Music Lessons

We are in a position to host
1-to-1 music lessons at
CAW in September, so if you
want to pay for music
tuition for your child,
you can organise this with
Sussex Music School.
Please click <a href="here">here</a> to access
the online form.

We are now also able to offer drum lessons!

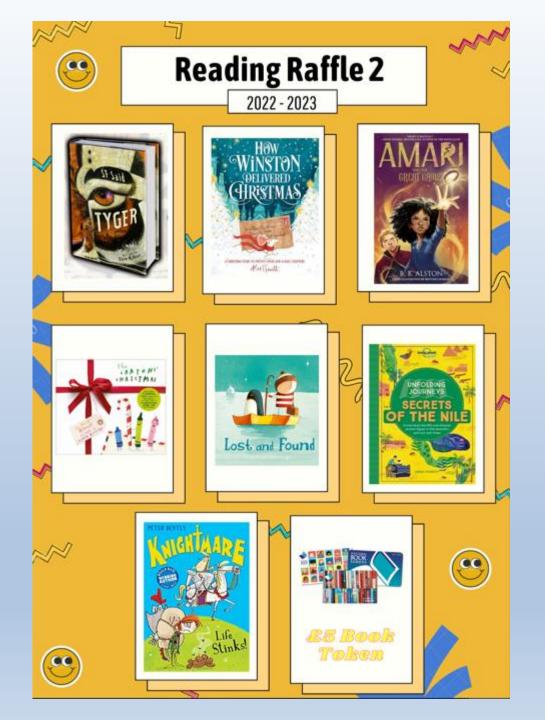
Reading Raffle 1



Congratulations to our Reading Raffle 1 winners!

plus.... Jasmine (Year 6) Rory (Nursery)

Stanley (Year 3) April (Year 3)



Reading Raffle 2 was launched this week. Here are the new titles. Look out for an email from Miss Scozzafava in the first week back with more information about each book

# Congratulations for the Barn Owls for earning the most Reading Raffle tickets as a class. We are also so proud of the Puffins for earning 41 tickets and coming fourth to Year 5 & 6 classes!

Book	Total
Inside the villains	115
Loki: A Bad God's Guide To Being Good	64
Pirates Next Door	37
Monster Hunting for Beginners	40
The Perfect Fit	34
My Gym Teacher is an Alien Overlord	43
The Last Seaweed Pie	45
£5 book token	59
Bonus late entry: Mia & The Lightcasters	10

	RR1
First	Barn Owls (56)
Second	Eagles (47)
Third	Falcons & Herons (46)
Fourth	Puffins (41!)

## Year 5 at Junior Roedean Academy



**Year 1: Brighton Toy Museum Visit** 

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October, the Brighton toy Museum came to visit Year 1 at school.

We had an amazing time learning about how toys were made, and what they were made from.

We got to try the toys out too!









Please click <a href="here">here</a> for an update about what your children are up to this term!



## 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!



## **Afterschool Clubs Autumn Term 2022**

Please check for an email sent to you regarding our afterschool club offer for the Autumn Term.



3:10-4:10

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

8:00-8:35 South Playground



North Playground/Hall Football Club (RMA)

3:10-4:10 Playgrounds/Hall

Multi-Skills Club 3:10-4:10

Netball Club Y4-Y6 North Playground/Gym Comic Club 3:10-4:10 Y1 Classroom Chess Club Y3-Y6 3:10-4:10

Y2 Classroom

Music Club Y1-Y2 3:10-4:10 Music Room **Board Games** 

Y3-Y6 3:10-4:10 Y6 Classroom



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Dear Parents /Carers,

After School Clubs Autumn Term 2022 We have always had a huge number of children attending after school clubs and we all hope this will We have always had a huge number of children attending after school cluds and we all hope this will continue this term. Please find the timetable for the autumn term attached. We are delighted to offer a continue this term, prease into the tametaute for the autumn term attached, are are uniquities to the children, some led by teachers and some by external coaches. Clubs will start the variety or clubs for the criticien, some ieu by teachers and surine by external cueches. Childs will start the week commencing Tuesday 20th September and run for six weeks up to half term finishing on Friday 21st week commencing Tuesday 20". September and run for six weeks up to hair term missing on Frida October, Clubs start back on Monday 31." October and run for six weeks until Friday 9th December.

### ALL CLUBS MUST BE BOOKED USING PARENTPAY

## IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SET UP A PARENTPAY ACCOUNT, PLEASE ASK THE OFFICE FOR

Entry to clubs on ParentPay will "open" at 6.00pm on Wednesday 14th September 2022 – you will not be Entry to cruos on Parentray will open at o outpin on wednesday 14 Deptender 2022 - You will not be able to book your child onto clubs before that time. Most clubs have a limited number of places - if the aune to sour your crims onto crius periore triat time. Must crius nave a miniteo number or piaces — if the club is full you will not be able to book, but please contact the school office who can add your child to the

The ParentPay system will only allow you to book a place if there is still a space available. All clubs are free

- If your child would like to take part in any of the clubs this term then the process is as follows: -
- Logon to your ParentPay account and book the club following the instructions on screen. 2. We will confirm by text message that your child has a place on their chosen club, and which gate
- 3. Please take note of the club finish time. Your child will be brought out to you by their club tutor. Please note the following: -

- If your child misses two weeks of a club without explanation they will lose their place.
- If your child is not able to come to their club for any reason it is really important that you phone

Sometimes, due to unforeseen circumstances, we need to cancel a club. We only do this as a last resort. You will receive a text message confirmation of this so please ensure we have the correct

ase make sure that your child has the correct and appropriate clothing and footwear if doing a ts club. If you are not sure what they need to wear, please check with the school. en do not need to be booked onto the Year 4,5,6 Running club - they can just turn up at 8am

ely popular and successful free Breakfast Club continues every morning this term in the om 8.00am to 8.30am and provides nutritious and delicious breakfasts including cereal, sh fruit, croissants, eggs, beans, waffles and pancakes, followed by a variety of activities ading, colouring and games. There is no need to book a place, just bring your child

many children as possible will take up the opportunities provided with clubs and ent. We are still in discussion with some new external providers and may be able

estions, please do let us know

Yours sincerely.

Mrs Al-Hattabi

PE Specialist Teacher



## **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 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.

We'll be awarding trophies for the best attending classes on Monday.

Congratulation to our current champions,
Goldfinches and Barn Owls!

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.

## **House Points Update**

It's been fantastic to see how many Learning Tickets the children have earnt for showing our CAW Qualities! Here's the most recent update on scores. The winning house will get to take part in a special activity in the last week of the half term, working with children from their house from across the year groups.



Air points

Earth points

Fire points

Water points

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	Year 1 to 3	Years 4 to 6
Week 3	Puffins	Barn Owls
Week 4	Kites	Herons
Week 5	Goldfinches	Herons

## **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.

×	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



Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after the 1st April 2018 your household income must be less than £7400 per year

Children, who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, may also get free school meals.

#### **Working Tax Credit**

If you are in receipt of any Working Tax Credit you will not be eligible to apply for Free School Meals.

If you think you my be eligible, please call the above number, visit the website or collect a form from the school office.

## **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 you 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.



# flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu



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### Flu Vaccination

The Immunisation Service are coming into school on Friday 04/11/2022 to offer your child the Year R-6 Influenza (FLU) vaccinations.

You will have received an email from school with the details, you have until **11am Monday 31**<sup>st</sup> **October** to consent.

## **Uniform**

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

- o Put a memorable key chain on your child's book bag.
- o Please don't send your child in with toys from home in case they are lost or damaged.
- o Please have a P.E kit for your child ready for Autumn 2.
- o Please consider sending a spare set of clothes for your child's peg if you think your child may need this.
- o 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.
- o 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.
- o Please bring a named water bottle to school.
- o If eating packed lunches, please name your lunchbox.













## **Lost Property**



We have a large amount un-named lost property, please ensure you name all of your child's belongings, including lunchboxes and water bottles.



We will then be able to return these items.



## **Uniform**



#### 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		
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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 infomation: pelicanparcels.org.uk

### Click here to access the website for Pelican Parcels

### **PE Kits**

For Autumn 2, we will 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 in colder weather.

Please wear PE kit into school on these days:										
YG	Reception	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	Year 3	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 6</u>			
Day	Mondays	Tues	Weds	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Tues			
	(from Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> )	Fri	Thurs	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Thurs			

Children can bring a change of clothes for after school clubs.



## 2020-20 DESTANDA TUE WED THE W

Our term dates for 22/23 are online: click here to see them.

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Start of Autumn Term 2

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November: Reception 2023 Open Evening

Friday 11th November: INSET Day

Monday 14th November: INSET Day

Friday 18th November: Non-Uniform Chairty Day

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

Wednesday 4th January: Start of Spring 1

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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 <u>previous newsletters</u> catalogued on our website.

I hope you have a great week with your loved ones and I'll look forward to seeing you on the gates on Monday 31st October.

Thomas McMorrin Headteacher

