

# City Academy Whitehawk

An aerial photograph showing the City Academy Whitehawk building, a large brick structure with a red roof and a central tower, situated in a residential area. The school is surrounded by numerous houses with brown roofs and green trees. In the foreground, there is a green field and a road. The background shows a flat landscape under a blue sky.

**Headteacher's Newsletter**  
**The Final Edition: 2022-23**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Dear City Academy Whitehawk Families,

Wow. What a year! On behalf of my colleagues and I, we are so, so grateful for the generosity you've shown us all today. What a giving community. The staff here feel so honoured by the wealth of kind words and gifts we've received. Thank you.

It's an emotional experience, ending a school year. Never more so than for our exceptional Year 6 cohort who said goodbye to us all today. I spoke to Year 6 families at the end of today's performance to express my gratitude to you all for entrusting us with the privilege of working with your children. It is a duty that we never take lightly

Reflecting on this year, we can see that the hard work of children and staff is paying off as the school continues to go from strength to strength. I couldn't be more proud of the community and am grateful for all you do to support the children's schooling. This letter serves as a reminder of some brilliant things that have taken place at school over the past few weeks and as a reminder of some things to prepare for September 4<sup>th</sup>.



# Sally Singh

Today we said 'Happy Retirement' to Sally Singh. After 15 years of working in Whitehawk as our Welfare Manager, Sally is embarking upon a well-earned retirement. We met as a school to congratulate and thank her; children performed songs, recited poetry and presented gifts as we all came together for a whole school assembly this afternoon. I know I speak on behalf of a great many families when I say that Sally's work promoting welfare has had life changing impact and we're all indebted to her for her years of service. We couldn't be more grateful. She was bowled over by the community's generosity today. I am personally and professionally overwhelmed by a feeling of luck to have worked with such a passionate, principled and conscientious professional and I am sure you join me in wishing her 'good luck' in the coming months as she moves on to life after work!



# The Darren Moses Award 2023

## Anoushka Merrick



Anoushka, an outstanding athlete at City Academy Whitehawk, unquestionably earns the title of Female Athlete of the Year. Her accomplishments in a wide range of sports are truly remarkable. Anoushka's skills were prominently displayed as she led her football team to the runner-up position in the highly regarded Amex tournament, demonstrating her expertise on the field. In addition to football, Anoushka excels in basketball and showcased her talent on stage at the Brighton Dome for Let's Dance. She also exhibits her versatility by excelling in sea swimming, fearlessly navigating the open waters. Anoushka's commendable dedication to empowering women in sports is evident through her active involvement in the International Women's Day Football Leaders program. Her athletic prowess extends to indoor athletics, the Play PE Football Cup Tournament, Withdean Athletics, netball, and the Brighton Schools Football Tournament. Anoushka's exceptional performances and unwavering commitment make her a true role model and a source of inspiration for her fellow athletes at City Academy Whitehawk and undoubtedly at Kings next year!

# The Darren Moses Award 2023

## Rio Dawson



City Academy Whitehawk boasts an exceptional lineup of male athletes, but one standout individual deserves special recognition. With an impressive track record across multiple disciplines, Rio has consistently showcased incredible talent and leadership abilities. As the captain of the football team, he led the squad to the Play PE Football Cup finals, demonstrating his exceptional skills on the field. His prowess extends beyond football, as he also excels in basketball, proving his versatility and agility on the court, but unfortunately can't dunk yet... Additionally, he has achieved remarkable success in indoor athletics, Withdean Athletics, cross country, and netball, showcasing his dedication and determination to excel in variety of sports. Notably, he has emerged victorious in the Brighton Schools Football Tournament, further solidifying his status as a top-tier athlete. This multi-talented athlete truly exemplifies the spirit of City Academy Whitehawk and serves as an inspiration to his peers and aspiring athletes everywhere and will for sure continue to be excellent next year at Longhill.



# Year 6 Football Match

In the annual end of year celebratory Year 6 football match, Team McAdam was finally victorious over Team Luna after years of disappointing losses. It was a wild game full of antics, shenanigans, midgame transfers and one very suspect linesman (Billy).

In the end the score was:

**MCADAM: 6**

**LUNA: 3**

We can't wait to get to do this again next year!



# Year 6 Residential

We had a great time on our residential trip, here is what children said about it.

I am more confident as I spent lots of time away from home...

... I learned how to survive outdoors with children my age. I enjoyed the impression contest because they were funny.



My favourite things were playing manhunt in the woods and cooking meals. I feel better and more excited about secondary school now because of the residential...

Well done Year 6! We are so proud of your time at CAW and we know you can do brilliantly at secondary school next year.





# 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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**  
Heddy Cook does not have a communication method recorded

**Statistics**  
Attendance (2023/2024)  
80.1% 71.4%  
Last 1 week

**Activities**  
Heddy Cook - Clubs

Dear Reception and KSI families,

Your child has been sent home with a Summer Reading Pack which is filled with resources for you to use over the holidays.

If you and your child do any reading activities you can record this on their Reading record chart. In September your child will earn lots of purple raffle tickets in the Autumn term.



Have a great summer!  
Miss Varco

started	player
meeting	enjoy
flight	flip

Word cards



Online library

Complex Speed Sounds															
Consonant sounds															
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Speed sound chart

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Sound cards



# 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	<b>EARTH</b> 1695	<b>WATER</b> 1598	<b>AIR</b> 1588	<b>FIRE</b> 1517
Y3 & Y4	<b>AIR</b> 2714	<b>WATER</b> 2167	<b>FIRE</b> 1595	<b>EARTH</b> 1556
Y5 & Y6	<b>FIRE</b> 2020	<b>WATER</b> 1849	<b>EARTH</b> 1788	<b>AIR</b> 1592
TOTAL	<b>AIR</b> 5894	<b>WATER</b> 5614	<b>FIRE</b> 5132	<b>EARTH</b> 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 5<sup>th</sup> place in our group.





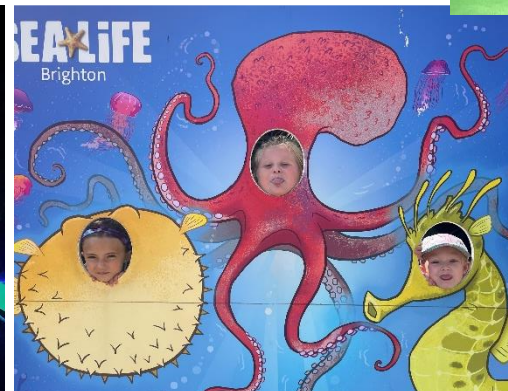


# Year 6 Sea Swimming

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!



# YEAR 2 TRIP SEA LIFE CENTRE





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



# Hatchlings Trip to the Beach





# Nursery Sports Day





# Tigerhawk the Sheep

Our City Academy Whitehawk design for the Martlets Shaun the Sheep trail is complete! TIGERHAWK THE SHEEP has been delivered and has taken his place amongst the flock.

He looks stunning in CAW sky blue with maroon thumbprint tiger stripes (inspired by our Arts Week theme), which every child in the school contributed to. Check out the snazzy ambassador yellow highlights and CAW logo too!

Huge thanks go to the staff team who made him possible, and an extra gigantic THANK YOU to Danni, the CAW PTA Co-Chair who did so much to bring him to life.

**Martlets**   
life-changing hospice care





# House Point Celebration



**Congratulations to  
WATER HOUSE**



# House Points

We had record-breaking numbers of Learning Tickets earned in Summer 2, which was absolutely BRILLIANT to see. Well done everyone! Our extra special House Celebration was time spent on the BOUNCY CASTLE ASSAULT COURSE! Every child in the school got to have a bounce, but the winners in **WATER HOUSE** got extra sessions as well. Check out the next slide to see the AWESOME bouncy castle!



**Air**  
**4630 points**

**Earth**  
**4739 points**

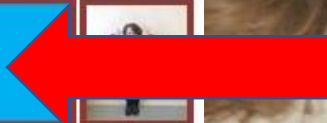
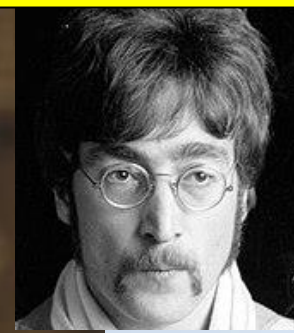
**Fire**  
**5030 points**

**Water**  
**5116 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	Puffins	Magpies
Week 6	Kestrels	Magpies

**C****Collaboration****A****Aspiration****R****Resilience****E****Effort****E****Excellence****R****Respect****Summer 2 Week 7 CAW Quality of the Week: EXCELLENCE**

[The Beatles  
vs. BTS  
\(Newsround\)](#)

[Imagine by  
John Lennon](#)



[CBBC  
biography  
of John  
Lennon](#)

**CAW Significant Figure of the Week****John Lennon (1940-1980)***Musician, Beatle and peace activist*

Born in Liverpool, John Lennon founded the band The Beatles. They were (and still are!) one of the most popular groups in the world. They were so popular in America the country called it **Beatlemania**! Lennon went on to be a solo musician when the Beatles split up in 1970. He believed in peace and kindness, and campaigned for peaceful solutions to the problems in the world.

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**RIGHTS  
RESPECTING  
SCHOOLS**

**40**

**CHILDREN WHO  
BREAK THE LAW**

**Article 40**

You have the right to legal help and fair treatment in the justice system that respects your rights



# EXCELLENCE

## AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

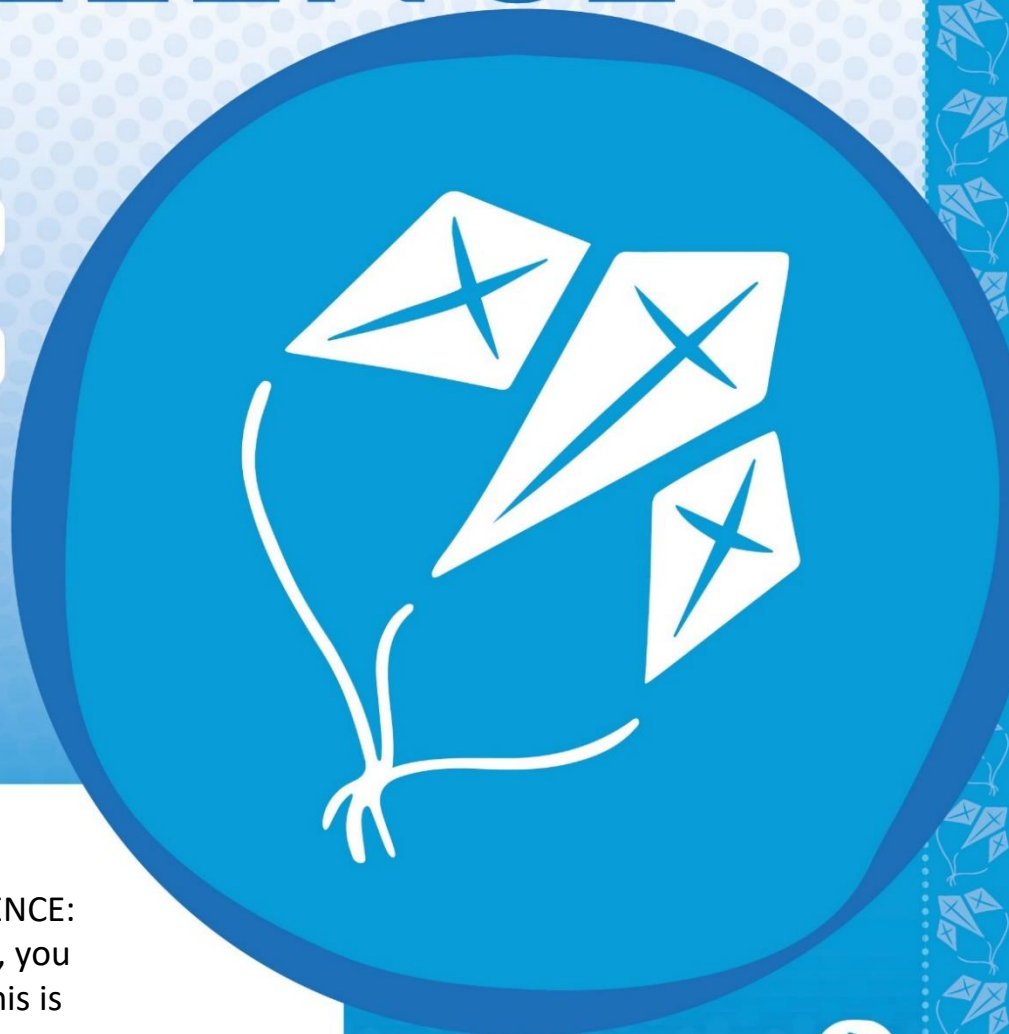
Class:

Years 1-6

- **Keep reviewing your work**
- **Identify your best bits**
- **Improve one thing at a time**
- **Listen to feedback**
- **Take small steps**
- **Be proud of your achievements**

Teacher's Comments

Next week, we will be focusing on EXCELLENCE:  
when all of the CAW Qualities are in place, you  
will be able to produce your best work. This is  
EXCELLENCE!



CITY ACADEMY WHITEHAWK





C

Collaboration



A

Aspiration



R

Resilience



E

Effort



E

Excellence



R

Respect



## Summer 2 Week 6 CAW Quality of the Week: RESILIENCE



Who is Malala Yousafzai?  
(Newsround)

Newsround special (one year after she was shot)

### CAW Significant Figure of the Week Malala Yousafzai

Malala's story  
(from her website)

*Education and human rights activist*

A strong believer in the right for females to receive an education, Malala has campaigned for this since a young age. When she was 15, a Taliban terrorist shot her: he wanted to kill her to stop her campaigning. She survived and continued to campaign for educational rights. She is the youngest person ever to win the Nobel peace prize, and she went on to study Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Oxford University.

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RIGHTS  
RESPECTING  
SCHOOLS

6



LIFE, SURVIVAL AND  
DEVELOPMENT

19



PROTECTION FROM  
VIOLENCE

39



RECOVERY AND  
REINTEGRATION



# RESILIENCE

## AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

Class:

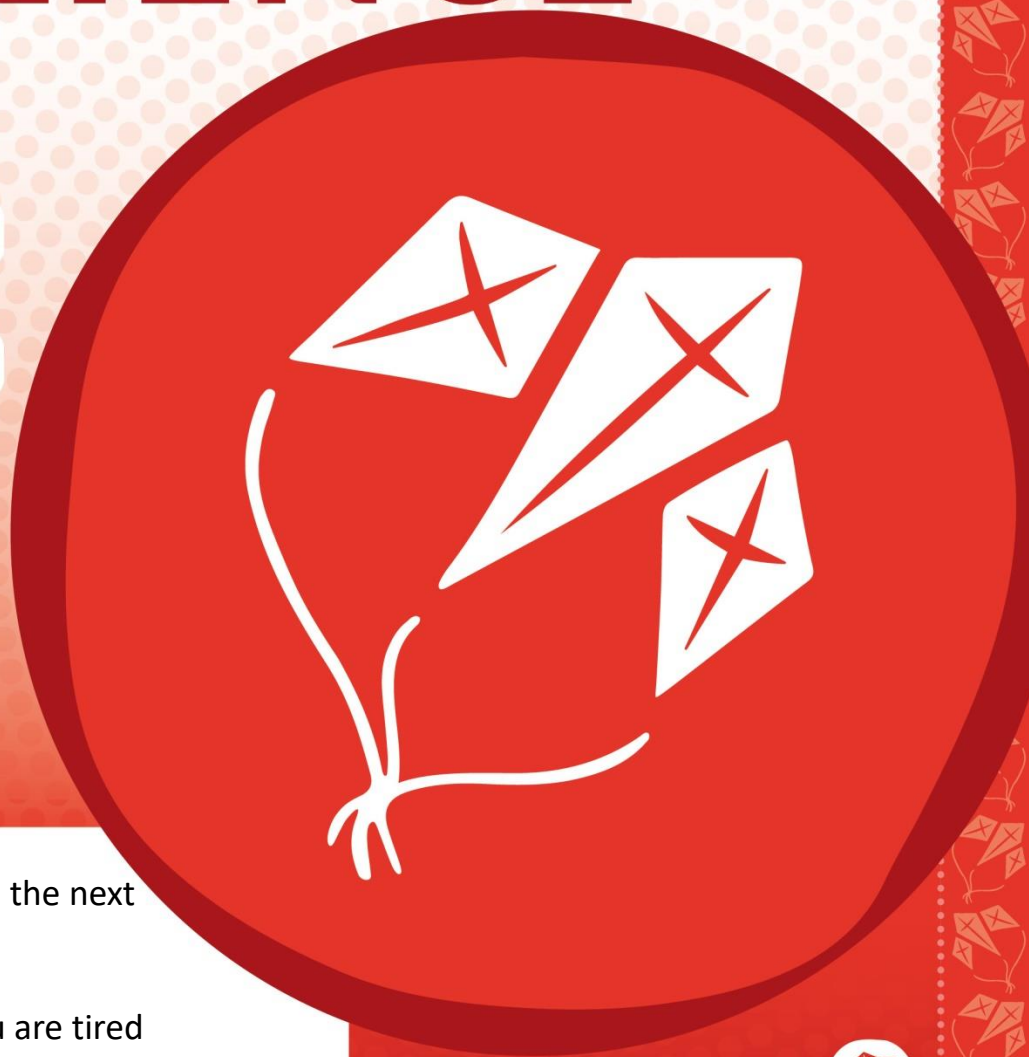
Years 1-6

- Try hard
- Practise lots
- Keep going
- Try new strategies
- Ask for help
- Start again
- Take a brain break

### Teacher's Comments

We'll be awarding certificates for RESILIENCE in the next assembly.

RESILIENCE means keeping going, eve when you are tired or tasks are difficult. Keep believing in yourself: you can do it!







**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](http://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](http://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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with academy  
logo

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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.#
- 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.





# Dates for your Diary

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September: INSET**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September: Mr. McMorrin's Back to School Newsletter**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September: Back to School [Reception see your letters from Miss. Rackham]**

***Further dates to follow, but we will be following the Brighton and Hove start and end dates for holiday periods.***



If you did not join us this week to collect your child's school report, we will be posting them out in coming days. You will receive another newsletter on September 1<sup>st</sup> ahead of the first day of school on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.**

I look forward to seeing children in September and wish our amazing Year 6 children every success; as Sally said to us all today, "Stay safe, stay strong, be successful."

Yours sincerely,

Thomas McMorris  
Headteacher

