



City Academy Whitehawk

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Dear City Academy Whitehawk families,

Our Annual **Arts Week** has been a joyous experience, and it's been amazing to see every child in the school given the opportunity to express themselves and develop their creativity. We had a maths theme this year, as it's an area we are working hard to improve on. I am so impressed by the outcomes the children produced, and today's CAW Art Exhibition was a joy to behold. If you weren't able to make it, there are lots of photos in today's School Community Newsletter to enjoy, starting from slide four. I'd like to say a huge thank you to all of the CAW staff for the hard work, vision and support that went into making it such a brilliant event.

Summer 1 is a short term but we've packed incredible amounts into it! Year Six completed their national **SATs** tests and worked incredibly hard: we couldn't have asked any more from them, and their dedication and resilience was inspirational to see. Year Two worked equally hard in their optional SATs: it's wonderful to see children so eager to show their best and demonstrate everything they have learnt throughout the year.

We're looking forward to another exciting Summer term, including our **Sports Days**! Our Year One children have their **Phonics Screening Check** national reading assessment. Check out the very next slide for more details. Miss Delaney and the Year One team will be hosting a special 8am breakfast for Year One children on **Monday 9th-Friday 13th June** if they would like to join us for this. We have an INSET day after the break, so we'll welcome the children back on **Tuesday 3rd June**. Have a wonderful half term break,

Russell Wood
Headteacher

PS Please keep checking [our school Facebook page](#) for daily positive updates about what we're doing at CAW, and for important information and announcements. If you haven't already seen it, scroll down our feed to see some of our CAW Choir members singing the new City Academy Whitehawk song!

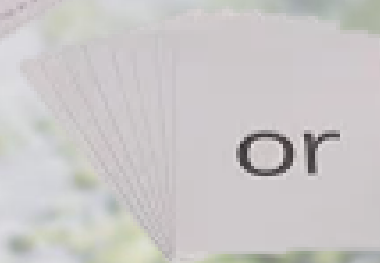
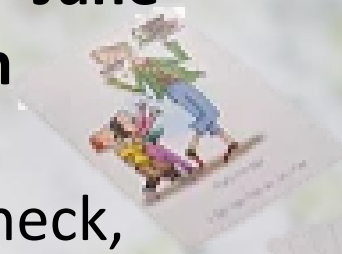


FRED'S BREAKFAST CLUB!



Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June
Each morning from 8am

During the week of the Phonics Screening Check,
Year 1 children are invited to Fred's Breakfast club
with Miss Delaney!



We will eat breakfast and practice sounds to help us
feel ready for our special phonics quizzes this week.

Miss Delaney will meet you at the office at 8am.
See you then!



CAW ARTS WEEK 2025

**An absolutely stunning
City Academy
Whitehawk mosaic
created by Year Five.**

**This really
demonstrates the pride
we have in our school!**



Year Six artwork inspired by Mr. Doodle!





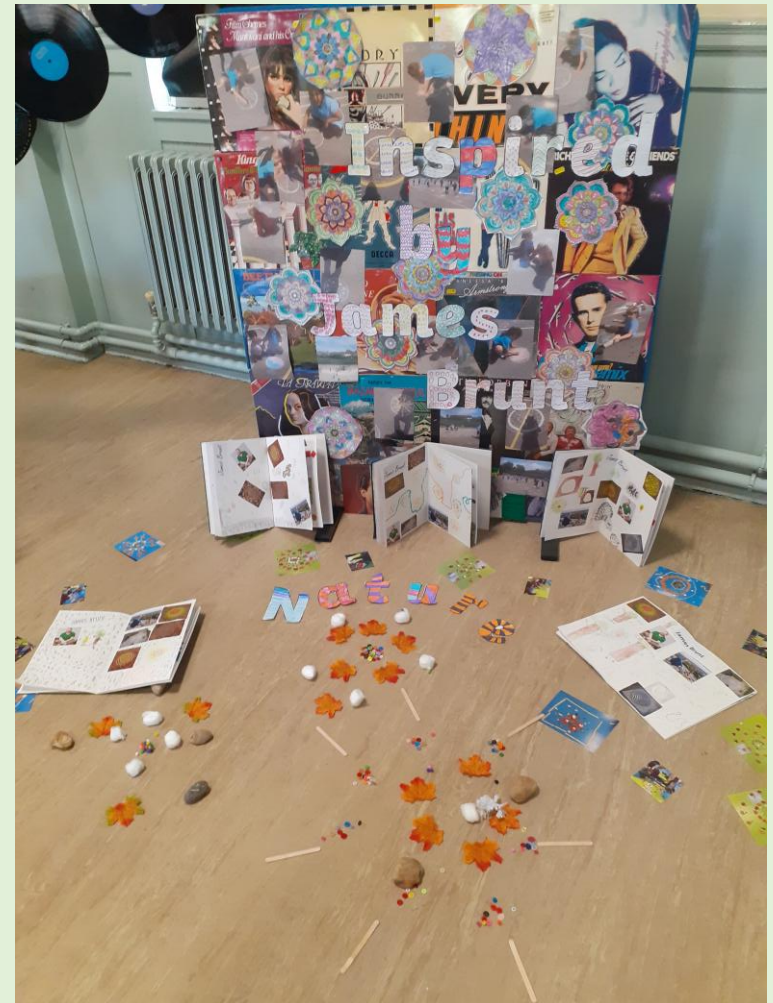
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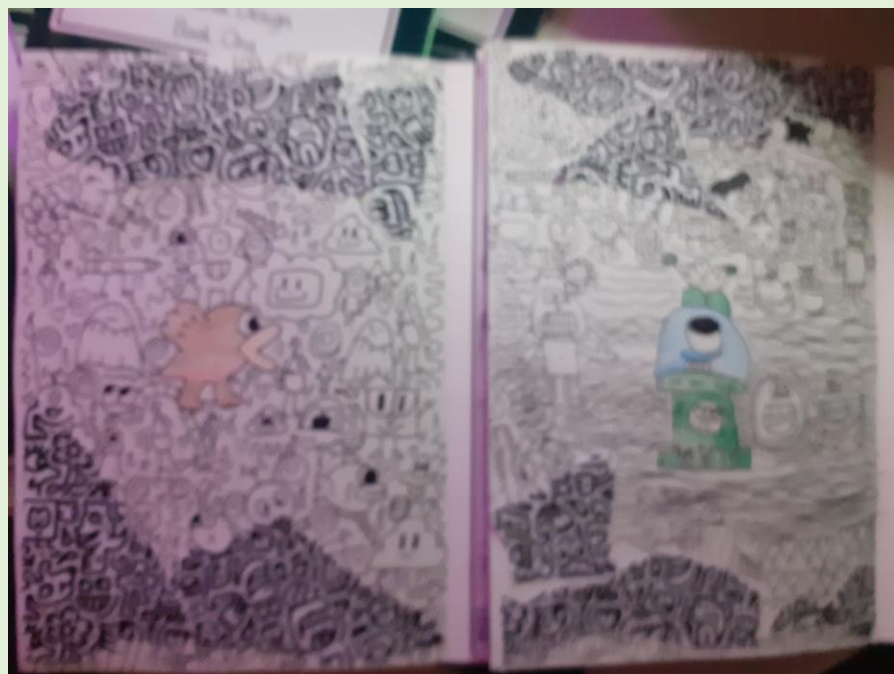




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**CAW ARTS WEEK
2025**

Year Three designing their mandalas on the playground earlier in the week.





TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

- Children in Year 4, 5 and 6 will be using a new maths programme to support their times table learning in school.
- **Times Table Rock Stars** is a fun way of helping your child consolidate their knowledge of important times table facts.
- Please support your child at home, by using the log in stuck into your child's reading record.
- Follow the link below to find out more about **TTRS!**
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZxZbRVvbYM>
- If you have any questions, please talk to your child's teacher.



Children's Parade 2025



Huge thanks to Terry and his van for helping us get Chucksky the Lizard to the Children's Parade and back!

Please give him a shout if you need a removal company. We are very grateful for his help.

<https://brighton-removals.co.uk/>

FREE SWIMMING

Brighton Swimming School have secured funding to offer free swimming to children who are eligible for Free School Meals via the HAF scheme.

Bookings can be made using the web address below from Monday 3rd June.

A vibrant poster for 'Summer Swimming Lessons 2025'. The top half features a large, colorful photo of three young girls in a swimming pool, wearing swim caps and goggles, smiling. The text 'SUMMER SWIMMING LESSONS 2025' is overlaid in a large, bold, yellow font with a blue outline. Below this, there are three small inset photos: a child in a pool, a child on a beach, and a child swimming. The bottom section contains a yellow box with the text 'FREE SUMMER SWIMMING LESSONS for Children on Free School Meals (Holiday Activities and Food Programme - HAF)'. To the left of this box is the 'HAF Holiday Activities and Food' logo. To the right is the 'BRIGHTON SWIMMING SCHOOL' logo. Below the yellow box, there are two columns of text: 'When?' and 'Activities'. The 'When?' column lists dates from July 28th to August 22nd. The 'Activities' column lists lesson times and mentions 'Followed by lunch afterwards'. At the bottom, there are two yellow boxes: one for 'Booking Opens 3rd June 2025' with the URL 'https://eequ.org/brightonhovehaf', and another for 'Brighton Swimming Centre' with the address 'Eastern Road, Brighton, BN2 5JJ'. The bottom of the poster features the email 'admin@brightonswimmingschool.com' and the phone number '01273 434400'. The entire poster is decorated with tropical leaves and a pink flower.

<https://eequ.org/brightonhovehaf>

We would love to see you at our next 'Autism in Schools' Parent Carer coffee morning on **Wednesday 4th June at 9am.**

Please wait at the front office and we will welcome you in.

Please contact Gabby Gosztanyi (Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion, SENDCo) if you have any questions about the event.



'Autism in Schools' Parent Carer coffee morning

Do you have a child/young person who has special educational needs and/or disabilities ('SEND'), or are curious that they may have?

Drop-in and join us at the 'Autism in Schools' parent carer coffee morning:

- Meeting in school each half term to share experiences, access training, and work with PaCC (Parent and Carers Council).
- Sessions will last for one and a half hours, although parents and carers are welcome to drop in and out as they can.

We are keen to make the forum accessible to disabled and neurodivergent parents; let us know if we can support you by making adjustments.

We welcome all parents from within the SEND community.



Attendance and Punctuality



100% Attendance Challenge

There are 126 amazing children in years 1 – 6 who have achieved 100% attendance for the whole term so far since Easter! Well Done!!

They will each be receiving a small prize to celebrate 😊



Lily and Bobbie from year 6 (with two lucky friends) have enjoyed an Ice Cream sundae or two with Mrs Storey to celebrate their fantastic attendance. Well done! 😊



[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

[How to improve your child's school attendance and where to get support - The Education Hub \(blog.gov.uk\)](http://blog.gov.uk)

Come and join us at WASP!

WASP is our extended after school provision to help families with their childcare needs. Children do lots of fun activities with our dedicated team of trained playworkers.

WASP is open from 3.15pm to 6.00pm during term time and places can be booked via the Arbor App up until midnight of the day before.

If you need to book a space on the same day, please call the WASP mobile to check availability and book – tel: 07394 140550

Sessions are charged at £10 per day with a reduced rate for the first sibling of £7 and £5 for the second sibling. We are also able to accept payment via the Tax-Free Childcare scheme and can provide documents to enable costs to be claimed back via Universal Credit for those families that are eligible.

Please click [here](#) for an update about what your children are up to this term!



House Points

Huge congratulations to **FIRE HOUSE** for winning the Spring 1 Learning Ticket House Competition! We have something very special planned for them as a reward after half term...

Remember: **EVERY TICKET COUNTS!**



**4020 Air
points**

**4171 Earth
points**

**4382 Fire
points**

**3556 Water
points**

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

	Year 1 to 3	Years 4 to 6
Week 3	Goldfinches	Magpies
Week 4	Kestrels	Barn Owls

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?



C**Collaboration****A****Aspiration****R****Resilience****E****Effort****E****Excellence****R****Respect****TERM 6 Week 1 CAW Quality of the Week: EFFORT**


**PUBLIC HEALTH
CHAMPION**

**CAW Significant Figure of the Week**

[Donald
talking
about the
power of
community](#)

[Donald
Hopkins
interview](#)

Donald Hopkins*Hard working doctor*

Born in Florida, USA in 1941, Donald Hopkins is a doctor who has worked incredibly hard for his entire life to help the human race eradicate (get rid of) dangerous diseases such as smallpox, measles and Guinea worm. He knows how important it is for communities to show **agency**: this means people using their own power to solve problems. Donald has shown fantastic EFFORT/HAVE A GO HORSE qualities throughout his life.

OCOW Question**Who can fix Climate Change?****Our City,
Our World**

ASPIRATION

AWARDED TO

Name:

It could be you!

Class:

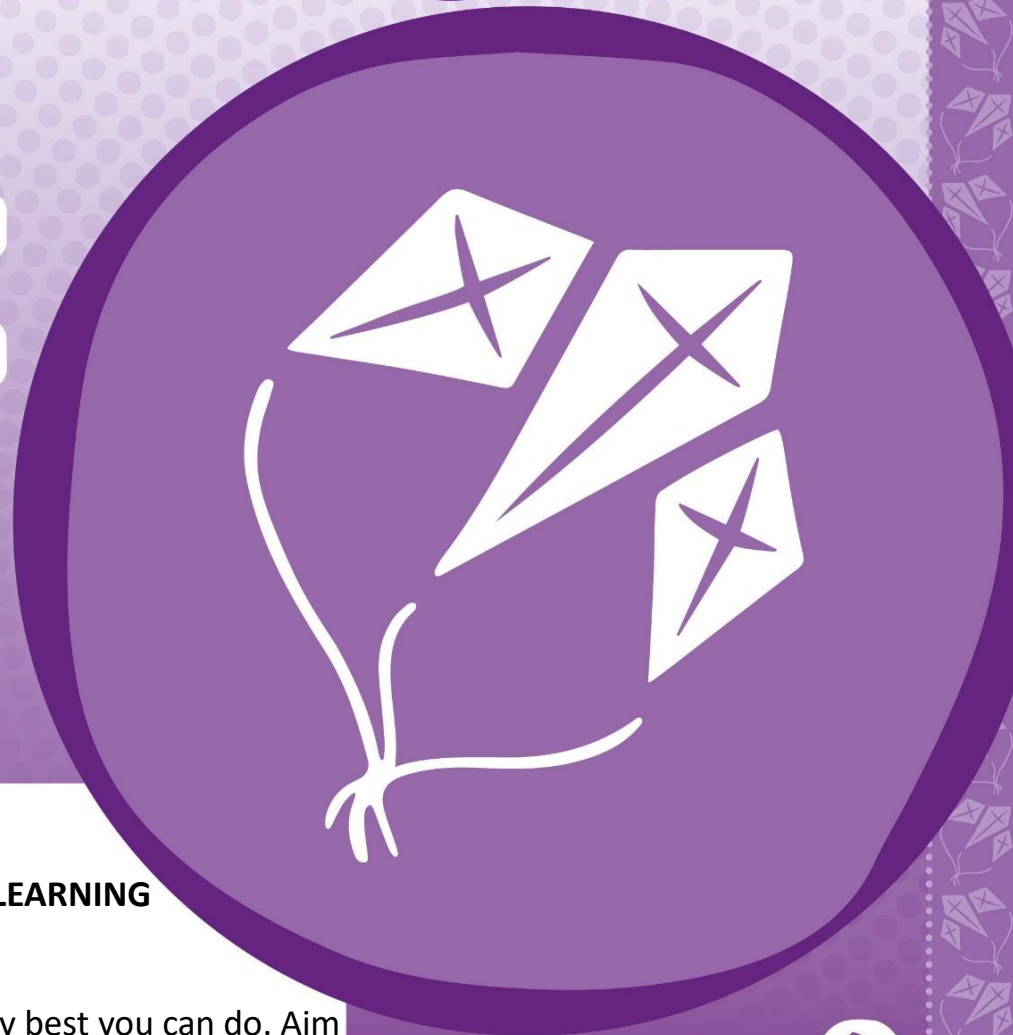
Years 1-6

- 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'll be awarding certificates for **ASPIRATION/LEARNING LION** qualities in the next assembly.

ASPIRATION means always aiming to do the very best you can do. Aim for the stars and have high expectations of yourself. You can do it!



CITY ACADEMY WHITEHAWK



C**Collaboration****A****Aspiration****R****Resilience****E****Effort****E****Excellence****R****Respect****TERM 5 Week 5 CAW Quality of the Week: ASPIRATION**[Hidden Figures trailer](#)[NASA remembers Katherine Johnson](#)[Newsround Our Black History Heroes](#)**CAW Significant Figure of the Week****Katherine Johnson (1918-2020)***Mathematician who overcame adversity*

Born in West Virginia, USA, Katherine always had a passion and incredible talent for maths. She was so gifted that her nickname was 'The Human Computer'! Katherine went on to work for NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) and used her mathematical skills to help plan space shuttle missions to the moon. Katherine overcame huge amounts of racism directed at her, and her RESILIENCE and ASPIRATION is truly inspirational. In 2015 President Obama awarded her the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

OCOW Question:

How can we make our school uniform eco-friendly?



**Our City,
Our World**



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

Did you know that
our website
(<https://www.caw.brighton-hove.sch.uk/>) can
be automatically
translated?



Choose a language...

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›Abkhaz	›Avar	›Batak Simalungun	›Buryat	›Corsican	›Dutch	›French	›Gujarati	›Iban	›Javanese	›Kinyarwanda	›Latgalian
›Acehnese	›Awadhi	›Batak Toba	›Cantonese	›Crimean Tatar (Cyrillic)	›Dyula	›French (Canada)	›Haitian Creole	›Icelandic	›Jingpo	›Kituba	›Latin
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›Amharic	›Baoulé	›Bikol	›Chinese (Simplified)	›Dhivehi	›Fijian	›Georgian	›Hindi	›Italian	›Khmer	›Kurdish (Sorani)	›Luganda
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Bingo!



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experiencing
food insecurity,
please visit

[https://bhfood.
org.uk](https://bhfood.org.uk)

and go to the
'[Emergency
Food](#)' page for
a list of helpful
links and
contacts to
support you
through this
challenging
time.

As the weather is warming up, please ensure that your child comes to school every day with:



Suncream Applied



Sun Hat



Named Water Bottle

Tax-Free Childcare for WASP

We are delighted to be able to confirm that our WASP after school club is now registered to accept payments via the Tax-Free Childcare scheme.

To check if you're eligible and sign up for the scheme please use the link below -

[Tax-Free Childcare - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare)

If you would like to make payment using this scheme, please advise the office of the payment reference from your account for each child you wish to book into WASP.

PLEASE NOTE - you must make payments for each of your children individually and not send one lump sum for multiple children.

When you opt to pay the school through your Tax-Free Childcare Account, it is sent to the school's bank account. We will then need to upload the funds to your Arbor account to enable you to book the place for your child at WASP.

As a minimum, we will upload the payments weekly on a Tuesday. You will then be able to book the days that you require via Arbor as normal. We will be unable to credit your Arbor account until the funds are showing on the school's bank account.

This is a new process for us, so we thank you for your patience whilst we embed this.

Dates for your Diary

Our term dates for this year and next year are online: [click here to see them](#)

Monday 12th-Thursday 15th May: Year Six SATs

Monday 19-Friday 23rd May: whole school Arts Week

Wednesday 4th June – 'Autism in Schools' Parent Carer Coffee Morning