

City Academy Whitehawk Personal Development



Mission

Our mission is to provide an outstanding education for our children enabling each child to be the very best they can be. We strive to develop children's aspirations, self-belief and self-esteem in a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment through consistently high quality learning opportunities.

We are committed to children's 'Next Phase Readiness' and therefore our Quality of Education and Personal Development offer are designed to prepare children for life beyond City Academy Whitehawk. We are determined that, in and out of school, all children adopt and then embody our CAW Qualities and their associated behaviours. We meet weekly as a school community to shine a light on our Qualities and what they look like in action, for example 'being respectful looks like...'



We are committed to ensuring that high quality learning opportunities extend beyond the academic curriculum and provides for pupils' broader development.

Personal Development Calendar

In light of our commitment to Personal Development both within the curriculum and beyond it, we have a meticulously crafted Personal Development calendar, complementing children's academic calendar, that enables us to prepare them for the next phase of their development.

Following the calendar are specific examples of initiatives and provision to support wider Personal Development for the City Academy Whitehawk children.



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Personal Development Calendar 2025-2026

Autumn Term

		Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Term 1 – Autumn 1	CAW Quality/ Learning Character	Aspiration Be Better Bee		Excellence Be Better Bee	Respect Respectful Rabbit	Effort Have A Go Horse	Resilience Persevering Penguin	Excellence Be Better Bee	Collaboration Teamwork Termite
	Significant Figures	England Lionesses		Fatboy Slim	Sandra Oh	Noah Lyles	Serena Williams	Lewis Hamilton	Maro Itoje
	Our City, Our World Climate Change	What will we achieve in Our City, Our World?		What is Climate Change?	What is recycling?	What is pollution?	How can we reduce waste?	Why should we get out in nature?	What is agency?
	Enrichment Opportunities	CAW Ambassador Launch	CAW Ambassador speeches and democratic elections Jeans for Genes 19.09.25.	TTRS Festival 25.09.25. UN International Day of Peace 21.09.25.	International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste 29.09.25.	Celebrating Black History Month 2025 RE Day 1 Yom Kippur UK Poetry Day 02.10.25.	Celebrating Black History Month 2025 World Mental Health Day 10.10.25. Dyslexia Awareness Week	Celebrating Black History Month 2025	Celebrating Black History Month 2025 House Celebration
Term 2 – Autumn 2	CAW Quality/ Learning Character	Aspiration Be Better Bee	Resilience Persevering Penguin	Effort Have A Go Horse	Collaboration Teamwork Termite	Excellence Be Better Bee	Excellence Be Better Bee	Respect Respectful Rabbit	
	Significant Figures	Louisa Martindale	Ibtihaj Muhammad	Shakira	Hank & John Green	Beyonce	Douglas Copeland	Tanya Tanaq	
	Our City, Our World Food Waste	What happens to wasted food?	How can we reduce food waste?	How can unused food be reused?	How can we reduce pollution from food transportation?	Where can we grow our own food?	How does eating less meat reduce pollution?	How can we stay healthy if we eat less meat?	
	Enrichment Opportunities	Guy Fawkes Night 05.11.25.	Anti-Bullying Week Remembrance Day Children In Need	World Hello Day 21.11.25.	World Computer Security Day 30.11.25.	International Abolition of Slavery 02.12.25.	International Human Rights Day 10.12.25. Winter performance rehearsals	Winter performances House Celebration	



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Spring Term

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Term 3 – Spring 1	CAW Quality/ Learning Character	Aspiration Be Better Bee	Collaboration Teamwork Termite	Resilience Persevering Penguin	Effort Have A Go Horse	Excellence Be Better Bee	Respect Respectful Rabbit		
	Significant Figures	Peggy Guggenheim	Diogo Jota	Zanib Mian	Stacey Dooley	Luke Littler	Bob Geldof		
	Our City, Our World Oceans	What oceans are on our planet?	What eco systems are in the oceans?	What causes our oceans to be polluted?	How does pollution impact the eco systems?	How can the oceans generate clean energy?	How can the oceans be cleaned?		
	Enrichment Opportunities	New Year Resolution World Braille Day 04.01.26.	National Thesaurus Day 18.01.26.	World Religion Day	Burns Night	NSPCC Number Day 06.02.26.	Safer Internet Week RE Day 2 Maha Shivaratri House Celebration		
Term 4 – Spring 2	CAW Quality/ Learning Character	Aspiration Be Better Bee	Respect Respectful Rabbit	Resilience Persevering Penguin	Collaboration Teamwork Termite	Effort Have A Go Horse			
	Significant Figures	Beatrix Potter	Aubrey Beardsley	Mary Anning	Rachel Levine	Kae Tempest			
	Our City, Our World Rampion Wind Farm	What is the Rampion Wind Farm?	Where is the Rampion Wind Farm?	How does the Rampion Wind Farm generate energy?	Write letters to the Rampion Wind Farm	Where else could we build wind turbines?			
	Enrichment Opportunities	Ramadan Eid-Al-Fitr	World Book Day 05.02.26.	International Women's Day	Red Nose Day	House Celebration			



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Summer Term

		Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Term 6 – Summer 1	CAW Quality/ Learning Character	Aspiration Be Better Bee	Excellence Be Better Bee	Effort Have A Go Horse	Resilience Persevering Penguin	Respect Respectful Rabbit	Creativity		
	Significant Figures	Jazz Jennings	Stormzy	Dwayne Johnson	Kazuyoshi Miura	Louis Theroux	Lois O'Hara		
	Our City, Our World Activists	Who is Jane Goodall?	Who is Sir David Attenborough?	Who is Vandana Shiva?	Who is Rachel Carlson?	Who is Erin Brockovich?	Who is Chico Mendes?		
	Enrichment Opportunities	Autism Awareness Day RE Day 3 Vaisakhi	World Earth Day 22.04.26.	International Dance Day 29.04.26.	World Asthma Day 05.05.26.	Mental Health Awareness Week	Arts Week House Celebration		
Term 6 – Summer 2	CAW Quality/ Learning Character	Aspiration Be Better Bee	Aspiration Be Better Bee	Collaboration Teamwork Termite	Excellence Be Better Bee	Effort Have A Go Horse	Respect Respectful Rabbit	Resilience Persevering Penguin	Respect Respectful Rabbit
	Significant Figures	Emma Watson	Mae C. Jemison	Mark Rober	Eluid Kipchoge	Steve Prefontaine	Eileen Gu	Gertrude Ederle	Laverne Cox
	Our City, Our World Agency	What can we do to fight Climate Change?	How can we reduce rubbish at our school?	How can we increase recycling at our school?	How can we save energy at our school?	Who can we share our OCOW learning with in Whitehawk?	Who can we share our OCOW learning with in Brighton & Hove?	Who can we share our OCOW learning with in the government?	What would you like to learn about in OCOW next year?
	Enrichment Opportunities	Year Six Careers Fair 05.06.26.	World Oceans Day 08.06.26.	Fieldwork Week	Sports Day events	International Day of Cooperatives 04.07.26.	World Population Day 11.07.26.	Malala Day 12.07.26.	House Celebration