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Action required: pre-approval for sending students home

We are asking every parent/carer/guardian to pre-approve their child's being sent home from school in the event of a COVID-19 case within their year group. Please confirm now by clicking <a href="here">here</a>.

To reassure you, we have had no confirmed cases of COVID-19 at John Cabot Academy. We all continue to work hard to implement measures to make the school site as safe as possible, with the introduction of year group bubbles; staggered social times; separate entrances and exits for different year groups; and encouraging everyone to regularly wash and sanitize their hands.

As part of our planning, we are taking steps to make sure that we can dismiss a year group







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from the site as quickly and safely as possible, should there be a confirmed case of COVID-19 within their bubble.

We are therefore requesting that all parents/carers/guardians pre-approve their children being sent home as quickly and safely as possible, in the event that a year group needs to leave due to a confirmed COVID-19 case.

#### Please fill in the form here.

## Exam Invigilators – Now Recruiting!

We are looking for Exam Invigilators to join our supportive and talented exams team within Cabot Learning Federation. As an Exams Invigilator you will assist the Exams Officer in the efficient delivery of internal and external exams.

Not only will you be working within one of our fantastic academies, but you will be a part of a diverse Federation working alongside professional and inspirational people.

As this is a casual position you will work when available and will be called upon when required to support the Academies during exam season.

Full details and an application form can be accessed **here**.

# **Key Dates**

# Deadlines

5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Year 7 Flu Vaccination permission slips due – More information overleaf.

9<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Deadline for orders of Year 10 and 11 revision guides (see the Finance section of this newsletter for more

information.)

#### Post 16 Open Events

30<sup>th</sup> September, 4:30 – 8:30 10<sup>th</sup> October, 10:00 – 1:00 14<sup>th</sup> October, 1:00 – 4:00 From 22<sup>nd</sup> October 14<sup>th</sup> October, 4:00 - 7:00 SGS A-Levels open event SGS All Courses, All Levels open event City of Bristol College digital open evenings St Mary Redcliffe virtual open evenings City of Bath College virtual open event







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# **Electric Scooters**

Our local police officers asked us to make parents aware that Electric scooters are illegal to ride on the road. If someone is caught riding one on a public road, the police may confiscate and destroy it.

# Year 7 Flu Vaccinations

Flu vaccinations will take place for all Year 7s at John Cabot Academy on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

The flu vaccine for children is not a "jab" – instead, it will take the form of a quick and simple nasal spray. The vaccine protects against flu, a virus which can cause serious complications such as middle ear infections and bronchitis.

The flu vaccine is one of the most effective interventions the NHS has to reduce pressure on the health and social care system this winter. This more important than ever given the impact of COVID-19 on the NHS and social care.

A consent form and information leaflet has now been distributed to every Year 7 student. Please fill in the form and ask your child to return it to their tutor as soon as possible.

It is important that your child returns the consent form to their tutor before Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October, as the immunisation nurses need to process all the forms before the vaccinations can take place. Please do not return the form to reception as this will cause overlapping of COVID-19 bubbles.

If your child has lost the form, do not worry – we have sent a digital copy to your email address.

### Library Update

All library books issued before September 2020 are now due back in. If you have any books from the JCA Library, please bring them back into school.

Students can return books via the dropbox outside the main library entrance. The dropbox







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will be emptied once a day and all returned books will be quarantined for 72 hours before being returned to the library shelves.

Students in years 7, 9 & 11 are welcome to come browse and borrow books from the library during their social times on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and everyone can request a Click and Collect loan delivered to their tutor base by emailing Mrs Harnell.

#### *Finance*

### Purchase of revision guides for Year 10 and Year 11

The option to purchase revision guides for students in Year 10 and 11 via SCOPAY has been added.

All guides for Maths and Science will be available for you to purchase – please ask your child to discuss with their teachers for these subjects to decide which guides are most suitable for them.

All guides for English will also be available for you to purchase along with other guides tailored to your child's option subjects.

Revision guide purchases are only available via SCOPAY.

The deadline for orders is Friday 09/10/2020 as this will enable the guides to be delivered to the Academy in time for distribution to students prior to half term.

If you have not received your SCOPAY link code, please contact the Finance Office by emailing <a href="mailto:JCAFinance@clf.uk">JCAFinance@clf.uk</a>.

### Purchase of memory cards (GCSE Photography)

Memory cards for sale: 16GB at £5.50 each, or 4GB at £4.00 each from the Finance Office. Memory cards are an essential part of your photography equipment.

You must prepay via SCOPAY before you can collect one from the Academy. More info at <a href="mailto:JCAfinance@clf.uk">JCAfinance@clf.uk</a>.

### Purchase of school ties

The option to purchase a school tie for £6.00 via SCOPAY has been added to every student's account. If your child loses their tie, you can purchase a replacement via your SCOPAY account and your child can collect it from the Finance Office the following morning.

The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time.







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# Purchase of calculators

The option to purchase a calculator via SCOPAY has been added to every student's account. If you wish to purchase a calculator for your child, there are two types available and currently in stock. When you have made a purchase, your child will be able to collect it from the Finance Office the following morning.

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## How to make online payments with SCOPAY

Our preferred method of payment is online via SCOPAY as it means that students do not need to carry cash with them and also from a COVID-19 perspective it means that cash does not need to be handed to the Finance Office.

Online Payment Letters containing one time use link codes for account set up were sent to Parents/Carers of all students that were not already registered over the Summer break.

Please set up your SCOPAY account online if you have not already done so.

If you have not received a link code or need any assistance, please contact the Finance Office by emailing <a href="mailto:JCAFinance@clf.uk">JCAFinance@clf.uk</a>.

What parents and carers need to know about schools during COVID-19

The Department for Education have translated their COVID-19 guidance for parents and carers with children in nursery, school, or college in the autumn term.

The guidance is now available in the following languages:

- <u>Arabic</u>
- · Bengali
- · <u>Chinese traditional</u>
- · Chinese simplified
- · French
- · <u>Gujarati</u>
- · Polish







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- <u>Turkish</u><u>Urdu</u>