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Reminder- 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 here.

On Friday 2nd October, we had our first confirmed case of COVID-19 in a year 10 pupil. Public Health England directed us to identify close contacts of the student affected. We identified 55 in total and have communicated directly with those students and their parents. They are due back in school on Wednesday 14th October. Otherwise school is open to all other students.

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.

It helped on 2nd OCtober to be able to dismiss a year group from the site as quickly and safely as possible. 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**.







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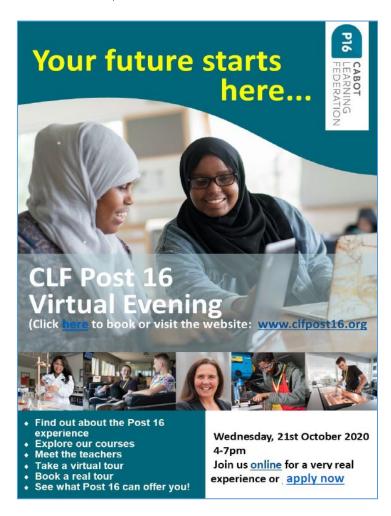
Key Dates

21st October
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22nd October
23rd October
9th November
16th December

CLF Post 16 Open Evening
Last Day of Term 1 for Students
Inset Day
Year 11 Mocks
Year 11 Parents' Evening

Post 16 Open Events

From 22nd October 14th October, 4:00 - 7:00 Various dates St Mary Redcliffe virtual open evenings City of Bath College virtual open event Boomsatsuma open events









Canteen and Online Payments

Online payments are now live. We have begun sending emails to parents/carers...

- If your child has a canteen overdraft
- If you have not yet set up a SCO-pay account for online payments

We will continue to allow overdrafts of £2.50 per day until the end of term. However by Monday 2nd November, all overdrafts will need to be paid off and your child's account in credit to allow them to buy food.

Communications and COVID Measures

Just a reminder, if you need to contact the school in an emergency, do call 0117 976 300. Please **do not** come to school as we cannot have visitors who do not have a prebooked appointment at the moment - this is a Covid risk mitigation.

If your enquiry is non-urgent, please email <u>jcainfo@clf.uk</u>. Please **do not** email staff directly.

Lost Property

We will now be sorting out lost property after the half term holiday. Please disregard the dates we listed for this last week.

Curriculum on the Website.

Many parents have told us that they would feel better able to support their child at school if they knew what they were studying. So now, available for you, are the full curriculum maps for years 7-11. It shows in every subject exactly what the children are studying and when throughout the year. It is available here: https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/curriculum-statement/







We will add in the next few weeks the precise exam boards for each of the year 10 & 11 GCSE courses.

Late Arrivals

Punctuality to the Academy is extremely important so that students can actively engage and benefit from all lessons throughout the day. Your child must arrive at school on time. Pupils that arrive more than 20 minutes after their agreed arrival window will be recorded as unauthorised absence which may result in a penalty notice of £60 per parent, per child.

Year Group	Arrival Window	Unauthorised Absence After This Time
7	08:40 - 08:50	09:10
8	08:40 - 08:50	09:10
9	08:40 - 08:50	09:10
10	08:20 - 08:35	08:55
11	08:20 - 08:35	08:55

Mobile Phones - Reminder

Our mobile phone ban policy remains in place. We believe this is appropriate for 2 main reasons:

- It is extremely difficult to fully concentrate in lessons with a mobile and all of its notifications and temptations.
- Mobiles and especially social media are a source of bullying and anxiety. We want to give students a break from this during the school day.

If we see a student with their mobile between 8:40am and 3pm, we will confiscate it and put it in the main office for collection at the end of the day. This also includes headphones and air pods.







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 JCAFinance@clf.uk.

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 JCAfinance@clf.uk.

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.

If you require any assistance, please contact the Finance Office by emailing JCAFinance@clf.uk.

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.

The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time. If you require any assistance, please contact the Finance Office by emailing JCAFinance@clf.uk.

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 JCAFinance@clf.uk.

Year 7 Hockey Club

Year 7 hockey club made a strong start on Monday and turnout was good for the first session. I have been really impressed by their skills in PE; they have been exceptionally good this year. Their effort levels have been fantastic, and their focus superb. This has enabled students to pick up new and more advanced skills to a much higher level then I would expect in such a short period of time.

It is great to see students able to have the confidence and communication skills to referee games by themselves and start thinking about structure and tactics in game situations. Having taught hockey at various levels for a number of years, I honestly think we could have some hockey stars in the making!

Any year 7 student is able to attend and very much welcome. We want to be able to develop enough to compete against all local schools and some private schools when fixtures are allowed to return.

Training is from 3-4pm on Mondays, free of charge. Please bring shin pads and gum shields if you have them.







It was a great session last Monday and we will continue regardless of the weather. It's worth mentioning that every student who turns up for any club will gain points for their community score.

- Mr Thomas

Performing Arts Updates

Film Competition - Bank, Camera, Action!

What is it?

We are working together with the Bank of England on their annual film competition, 'Bank, Camera, Action'. This is for UK students aged 7 – 19 and the challenge is to create a short film for this year's topic: 'The changing workplace: same spaces, new realities'.



The coronavirus pandemic has affected the way we work, jobs across the UK and the economy. You've probably noticed that some familiar spaces are now being repurposed or reinvented – a dining table might also be an office space. We're looking for imaginative, interesting films featuring your thoughts – the more inventive the better.

What could your film be about?

- How has the pandemic & working from home affected things like transport, the







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environment, work-life balance?

- How will these changes impact how we work in years to come?
- What effect will these changes have on the economy?
- Which parts of the economy will benefit the most from a shift to the digital workplace?
- How has the wider economy will be impacted as we continue to replace old work environments with new ones?
- How has the pandemic affected the local area? The country as a nation?
- What will this mean for the jobs of the future? Will we always work from home?

How to present your film

You can dance, sing, create music, act a scene, write a poem, rap, create an animation, do an interview, write a news article

How long should the film be?

Once you have registered with Miss Grierson, please follow the recording tips to record your film. It should be between 1 and 3 minutes long.

Prizes

Each winning student with a gift voucher and a certificate. Winning films will also feature on our website and social media channels. Cash prizes will also be given to each winning school or college. Everyone who participates will receive a certificate.

What to do if you are interested

Anyone is welcome to take part from Year 7 to Year 13. Please come to see Miss Grierson in AG10 at any time or email Miss Grierson: charlotte.grierson@clf.uk about participating in the competition and she will support you with your project and the entry into the competition.

Feedback!

Parents/Guardians and Students! Please complete a Feedback From for instrumental/vocal music lessons. You will receive an email with the form attached on Monday 19th October. Many thanks in advance.

