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Key dates

14th - 25th June	Year 7-9 Assessments
28th June - 9th July	Year 10 Assessments



How we do things here

Uniform is crucial to students' sense of belonging to the Academy, and so we have to be consistent in our expectations of students and their uniform. Covid has forced some changes in uniform upon us. One of which was allowing students to wear their own coats/jumpers in school as all the windows are open. Given that the weather is now much warmer, as of Monday 21st June, we are **not** going to allow students to wear their own jumpers or coats in school anymore.

As a reminder, our uniform is:

- White shirt
- Tie
- Black trousers or school shirt
- Black shoes (not trainers)

Blazers/V-neck jumper are both optional.

Students can continue to wear their PE kit on the days they have PE.

Assessments

Year 7 and 8 students

RE: MCQ Online Assessment

In the fortnight beginning Monday 14th June, students in Years 7 and 8 will have online assessments in all of their subject areas. This is to help us understand where they are in their curriculum, which is especially important as we conclude their academic year and look to award their final DOYA grades in Term 6.

These online assessments are to be completed at home and can be accessed through Show My Homework. They will be available for our young people using the following timetable:

Year 7	Date	Subject	Subject
	6/14/2021	Spanish	
	6/15/2021	History	Geography



	6/16/2021	RP	
	6/17/2021		
	6/18/2021		
	6/21/2021		
	6/22/2021	DT, Art, Food, Textiles	
	6/23/2021	PE	English (in class on paper)
	6/24/2021	Computing	
	6/25/2021	Drama	
Year 8	Date	Subject	Subject
	6/14/2021	Spanish	
	6/15/2021	History	Geography
	6/16/2021	RP	
	6/17/2021	Maths	
	6/18/2021		
	6/21/2021	PE	DT, Art, Food, Textiles
	6/22/2021		
	6/23/2021	PE	English (in class on paper)
	6/24/2021	Computing	
	6/25/2021	Drama	

Parents/carers are asked to support Years 7 and 8 by encouraging the following:

- Students should spend around 30 minutes on each test.
- Students should have a pen/pencil and paper in front of them whilst they access the tests so they can do workings out (this is especially useful in maths).
- Students can only complete each test once- they will be unable to 'retake' and so should ensure they are fully focused when they log in.

We have compiled a range of Frequently Asked Questions below, along with some 'How- to' videos. If you have concerns, which these do not resolve, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance. You can contact the tutors by:

- Asking your child to speak to them when they see them in school;
- By calling the school reception and leaving a message (please include the name of the tutor to ensure your query gets answered promptly).
- By emailing the school on JCAinfo@clf.uk and addressing your email FAO: tutor name

FAQs:

Q: My child doesn't know their log in to Show My Homework or EEDI. How do I find out what it is?

A: We have emailed your child(s) JCA account separately with their username and password for their MCQ tests www.eedi.co.uk If your log in doesn't work, please email jcanoreply@clf.uk. Your child can also ask their tutor to help them.

Q: How many tests should my child do in one sitting?

A: We recommend spending about 30 minutes on each test so we would recommend no more than 2 in one sitting. Your child will have a fortnight to complete all the tests and will not be expected to complete other





homework during this assessment window.

Q: We don't have the right technology to access these at home- how can my child access the tests?

A: Please contact the school by phone or email (details above) to see how we can support you as a family. For example, we can provide some access to our computer rooms afterschool between 3-4pm Mondays to Thursdays but would need to book students in to ensure we have enough staff available to support.

We want to wish our Year 7s and 8s the best of luck in these online assessments; we can't wait to see their best efforts!

Year 9 End of Year Assessments:

Although many of our subjects are completely their end of term assessments in their usual classrooms, we wanted to give our Year 9s the opportunity to experience a full exam in our Exam Hall prior to the start of their GCSE years.

- 21st June: Year 9 Maths paper 1 PM
- 24th June Year 9 Science Paper AM

Year 10 End of Year Assessments:

Our Year 10s are also being given the opportunity to sit their first GCSE mocks in our Exam Halls. They have worked tirelessly (even in this most unusual year) and we want them to feel enormous success in celebrating all their have learned. Individual copies of their exam timetables will be shared with them next week but please do check out our [exam information](#) section on our website for some useful tips and ways to support each other.

Date	Start Time	Subject
28/06/2021	10:00AM	Combined Science - Biology
28/06/2021	10:00AM	Biology
28/06/2021	1:00PM	Geography
29/06/2021	10:00AM	History
29/06/2021	1:00PM	Combined Science - Chemistry
29/06/2021	1:00PM	Chemistry
30/06/2021	10:00AM	Maths (Whole Year) Paper 1
30/06/2021	1:00PM	English Language (Whole Year)
01/07/2021	10:00AM	English Literature (Whole Year)
01/07/2021	1:00PM	Maths (Whole Year) Paper 2



05/07/2021	10:00AM	Maths (Whole Year) Paper 3
05/07/2021	1:00PM	Drama
05/07/2021	1:00PM	Computer Science Paper 1
05/07/2021	1:00PM	Hospitality & Catering
05/07/2021	1:30PM	Spanish Speaking Test Group A
06/07/2021	10:00AM	Religious Studies
06/07/2021	1:00PM	Spanish Listening & Reading Papers
07/07/2021	10:00AM	Combined Science - Physics
07/07/2021	10:00AM	Physics
07/07/2021	1:00PM	Music
07/07/2021	1:00PM	Design Technology
08/07/2021	10:00AM	Computer Science Paper 2
09/07/2021	10:00AM	Statistics
09/07/2021	10:00AM	Spanish Writing (F, H)
09/07/2021	1:30PM	Spanish Speaking Group B

We wish all of our students' good luck in their final assessments this year; we cannot wait to see their best efforts!

Year 11 Cake sale

Our cake sale held on Friday 11th of June was a huge success thanks to our Year 11 group and their initiative.



Leaving Secondary school transition webinars

The School Nursing service across Bristol and South Gloucestershire would like to be able to offer all parents and carers the opportunity to access health advice, information and support.



We are offering a series of free transition webinars. The flyer enables parents and carers to access the Eventbrite booking system for each webinar, by clicking on the most convenient date. [Leaving secondary school flyer.pdf](#).

Leaving Secondary School (Post 16)

As you're going into higher education (sixth form or college) are you aware of the services that support you during this transition? Come along to our webinar for helpful information.

We will cover:

- Where to access sexual health information
- Advice and support on staying healthy
- Support with your emotional health and wellbeing
- Practical life skills

We look forward to seeing you there!

Webinar dates and times (click the date you can attend to sign up)

[Wednesday 16th June](#) [Wednesday 30th June](#) [Thursday 15th July](#)
[5pm - 6pm](#) [2pm - 3pm](#) [5pm - 6pm](#)

[Wednesday 25th August](#)
[1pm - 2pm](#)

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Rock and Pop school

South Gloucestershire Music Hub are hoping to restart their rock and pop school that young people can attend with other young people, to develop their musical performance skills.

A flyer attached with details and a questionnaire to invite students and parents to give their views on what would suit best to get this restarted.



Calling all rock & pop students!

The South Gloucestershire Music Hub is looking for your feedback on how to improve their rock and pop school

We want your thoughts and ideas. Can you help?

Please [click here](#) to complete our questionnaire.

School Health nurse webinars



Sirona School Health Nurse Webinar Series - June 2021



Healthy Eating
Monday 7th June
11am - 12pm



**Keeping Your Child Happy
and Healthy**
Tuesday 8th June
9.30am - 10.30am



**Understanding Your
Child's Wellbeing**
Wednesday 9th June
1.30pm - 2.30pm



**Helping Your Child With
Sleep**
Thursday 10th June
10.30am - 11.30am



**Continence in Children
and Young People**
Friday 11th June
11am - 12pm



Dental Health
Monday 14th June
10am - 10.30am



**Concerns About Your
Child's Eating Habits**
Tuesday 15th June
4.15pm - 5.15pm



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Library



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In need of a good read but not sure where to start? JCA Library's Instagram account features regular themed reading lists and Book of the Week recommendations. Follow us **@jcalibrary** for some reading inspiration.

National Book Tokens big prize draw

Win £5,000 for your school's library! Nominate John Cabot Academy to win and you could take home £100 of National Book Tokens just for you:

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>



Overdue Library Books

At John Cabot Academy, we are lucky to have a well-stocked library, but in order to maintain the high standard and variety of the books on offer, it is necessary for us to insist that loaned books are always returned for the enjoyment and benefit of all of our students.

We are now running a system of distributing regular library loan statements to students so they know exactly which library books on their account are currently overdue. Students will receive up to 3 reminder statements prompting them to return their books or visit the library to arrange a renewal on books they are still reading. Students can access the library from Monday to Wednesday, at break, lunch and tutor times.

If books remain unreturned after the 3rd reminder statement a book replacement fee will be added to your SCOPAY account. Ultimately, however, we would much prefer to have books back in the library, and on return of overdue items to the library, replacement charges will be removed from your account.



Finance

SCOPAY - Online Payment System - Preferred Method of Payment

SCOPAY is our preferred method of payment for all transactions when making payments to the academy.

This system allows you to make payments for trips, events, music tuition and learning resources plus your child's school lunch account can also be topped up using this system. The system can be used on a desktop computer or you can download the App to use on your mobile phone or tablet meaning that you can access your account at any time. If you have not already received a link code or require an additional link code(s) to enable another Parent/Carer to also set up a SCOPAY account and make payments for your child(ren), please send an email to JCAFinance@clf.uk

SCOPAY - Payments for School Lunches

Please remember to check if your child's School Lunch account requires topping up with funds to enable them to purchase food from the canteen.

If you would like to set up alerts so that you will know when their balance is getting low and requires topping up, please go to the John Cabot Academy website - Our Academy - Canteen and Online Payments, where you will find the 'SCOPAY Parent Guide - Alerts' at the bottom of the page to help you.

Alternatively, you can copy and paste the following to your browser: -

<https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/our-academy/canteen-and-online-payments/>

There are two further SCOPAY Parents Guides, one for Managing Your Account and another for Making Payments, that you may also find useful on this page.

Purchase of School Ties

The option to purchase a school tie for £6.00 via SCOPAY is available for every student and SCOPAY continues to be our preferred method of payment. If your child has lost their tie, you can purchase a replacement via your SCOPAY account, and it will be available for collection by your child the following morning.

Alternatively, *for ties only*, a cash payment can be accepted – please send your correct payment of £6.00 in an envelope with their full name, year group and tutor group detailed. Please ask your child to collect their tie from the Finance Office.

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



Purchase of Calculators

The option to purchase a calculator from the academy continues to be available to all students via SCOPAY.

If you wish to purchase a calculator for your child, there are two types available and currently in stock: -

- Casio ClassWiz FX991EX Scientific Calculator @ £19.50 each, or
- Casio FX83GT Scientific Calculator @ £8.50 each

When you have made your SCOPAY purchase, your child will be able to collect their calculator from the Finance Office. The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time.

Purchase of Memory Cards for GCSE Photography

The option to purchase memory cards from the Academy continues to be available on SCOPAY for all GCSE Photography students.

There are currently two types in stock:-

- HAMA 16GB SDHC Card @ £5.50 each, or
- HAMA 4GB SDHC Card @ £4.00 each

When you have made your SCOPAY purchase, your child will be able to collect their memory card from the Finance Office. The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time.

SCOPAY - Link to Login Page

You can find a link to the SCOPAY Login Page if you go to the John Cabot Academy website - Our Academy - Canteen and Online Payments.

Alternatively, you can copy and paste the following to your browser: -

<https://www.scopay.com/john-cabot-ac>

Finance Queries

If you have any finance queries, please contact the Finance Office by emailing

JCAFinance@clf.uk

