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Key Dates

16 th – 18 th September	Year 9 Residential Camp
19 th September	Year 8 Future Brunels Trip
25 th September	Year 11 Parents' Evening
1 st October	Senior Maths Challenge
2 nd October	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening
9 th October	Inspector Calls Year 11 Matinee Trip Anti-Bullying Working Group (13:40)
10 th October	Open Day
12 th October	Inspector Calls Year 11 Trip
14 th – 25 th October	Year 11 Mocks
25 th October	Last Day of Term
4 th November	First Day of Term

JCA Routines: Arrival to Lessons

It has been great to see students moving around the academy in calm and respectful manner on the first full week of the academic year. It is important that students maintain this to ensure that we keep all members of our academy safe, especially during lesson transitions. This also helps all students arrive to lessons on time.

We will continue to focus on our corridor behaviours, ensuring that we are all safe, calm and respectful of each other at all times. Our staff are on doors welcoming students into lessons to support punctuality and registers. If your child is in the corridor in lesson time, they can expect to be spoken to by every member of staff they meet; unless your child has a toilet pass or time out card supplied by us, they will not be allowed out of lessons for any reason.

Arrival to lessons



We care about our learning:



We arrive promptly to our lessons.



We walk with purpose along the corridors (and use break and lunch to socialise with friends).



We walk quietly as others are in lessons when we changeover.



If you are more than 5 minutes late to your learning, you will be sent to the SLR.



You will attend restores at the end of the day.

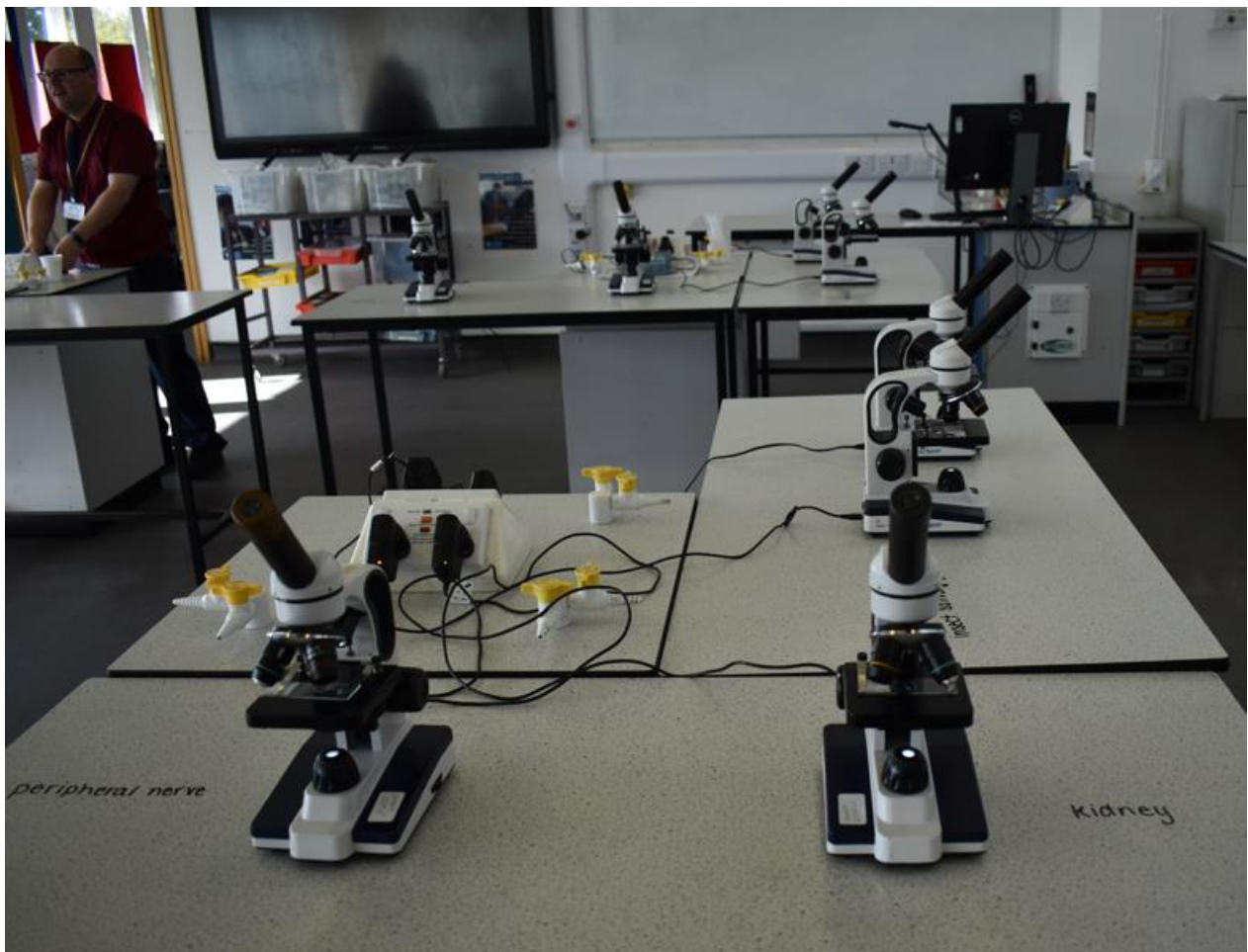
Nathan Richardson
Assistant Principal

Thank you

On Thursday we had our open Evening and over 150 of our pupils helped on the evening, taking families on tours of the school, demonstrating skills in various departments and entertaining everyone with their musical talents. There was an overwhelming number of visiting parents who made a point of speaking to staff to say how wonderful our students were.

A particular mention goes to our four year 7 students who spoke in the Principal's presentation (Aiden, Saarah, Irfana and Deya). It is no small thing to speak in front of hall packed with 200-300 people. But they were so poised and articulate. Clearly the visiting parents thought so to, given the rousing rounds of applause they were given.

We were so proud of all of the students who helped out on the evening and showcased what a wonderful community JCA is.





Children and back to School Social Media

This time of year parents all over the country will be focusing on their children. Whether they're going to school for the first time, or they're seasoned educational veterans, the same feeling will fill parents and guardians. A feeling of concern for the year ahead but also excitement and pride that they're embarking on the same journey, they themselves made years prior.

In recent years it has become a tradition to post 'back to school' content, to Facebook and Instagram. However, this practice comes with unseen dangers. Over on his blog Wayne Denner has written about this issue extensively, in a short but worthwhile read he exposes some of the potential issues, lurking in the e-space. If interested, please follow the link below:

<https://www.waynedenner.com/protect-your-child-the-hidden-dangers-of-posting-back-to-school-photos-on-social-media/>

PE Gum Shields

We have been donated gum shields to be used in rugby fixtures from a local charity, the Luke Wheaton Legacy Trust. Any student who would like these, please see the PE team.

Exam Invigilators

We are looking for Exam Invigilators to join our supportive and talented exams team within Cabot Learning Federation within Bristol and the South Glos area.

We are a diverse multi-academy trust, looking for professional and ambitious people, with a passion for transforming our students' learning. Our Academies need invigilators, readers and scribes to assist with scheduled exams across the Federation. As this is a casual position you will work when available and will be called upon when required to support the Academies during exam seasons. For full details click this link

<https://accesspeople.accesscloud.com/CabotLearningRecruitment/Home/Vacancy?id=2176&returnurl=/CabotLearningRecruitment/>

Careers at John Cabot Academy - Update

Work Experience

We are pleased to report that we have received positive feedback from both Employers and Students regarding our week-long Year 10 Work Experience and Encounters with Employers event, which took place from 15th July - 19th July 2024. Our students who visited the workplace were commended on their maturity and enthusiasm.

The employers that provided in-school events told us that they very much enjoyed working with our students and were impressed by their level of engagement. We would like to thank, AIRBUS, Deloitte, Stantec, University of Law, Atkins Realis, Bottle Yard Studios, and the NHS, for providing enjoyable and insightful workshops as part of this event.

Upcoming Careers Events here at JCA

During Term 1 and 2 we have scheduled the following events, with more to follow...

- **Weds 25th Sept:** Post-16 Provider Exhibition, Foyer area, Year 11 Parents Evening, with exhibitors including CLF Post-16, St Brendan's, SGS, City or Bristol College
- **October 2024:** Year 11 Careers Assembly - What is an Apprenticeship? What is a T Level? Delivered by Ask Apprenticeships
- **Week Commencing 2nd December:** Whole School Careers Week (Term 2): Focus on Further and Higher Education, and Apprenticeships, with content delivered by Apprenticeship Providers, Colleges, 6th Forms, and Employers,

Careers Advisor Appointments and Drop-In sessions

All Year 11 students are offered the opportunity to attend a personal guidance appointment with Mrs Williams, our qualified Careers Advisor. Appointments will continue through Term 1 and 2. If you would like to request an appointment for your child then please do email Mrs Williams on: careersjca@clf.uk.

Students in Years 9 -11 are welcome to attend our new weekly lunchtime Careers Drop- In session, which is held between 12.30 - 13.40 in the Careers Office (KS4 Hub)