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### Key Dates

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3 <sup>rd</sup> October	UKMT Senior Maths
4 <sup>th</sup> October	Netball and Football Tour Parents Evening
5 <sup>th</sup> October	Nasal Flu Immunization (years 7 – 11)
9 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 11 Mock Exams
12 <sup>th</sup> October	Anti-Bullying Working Group
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Acoustic Night
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening
19 <sup>th</sup> October	CLF INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
20 <sup>th</sup> October	CLF INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term – School Closed
30 <sup>th</sup> October	First Day Back of Term 2

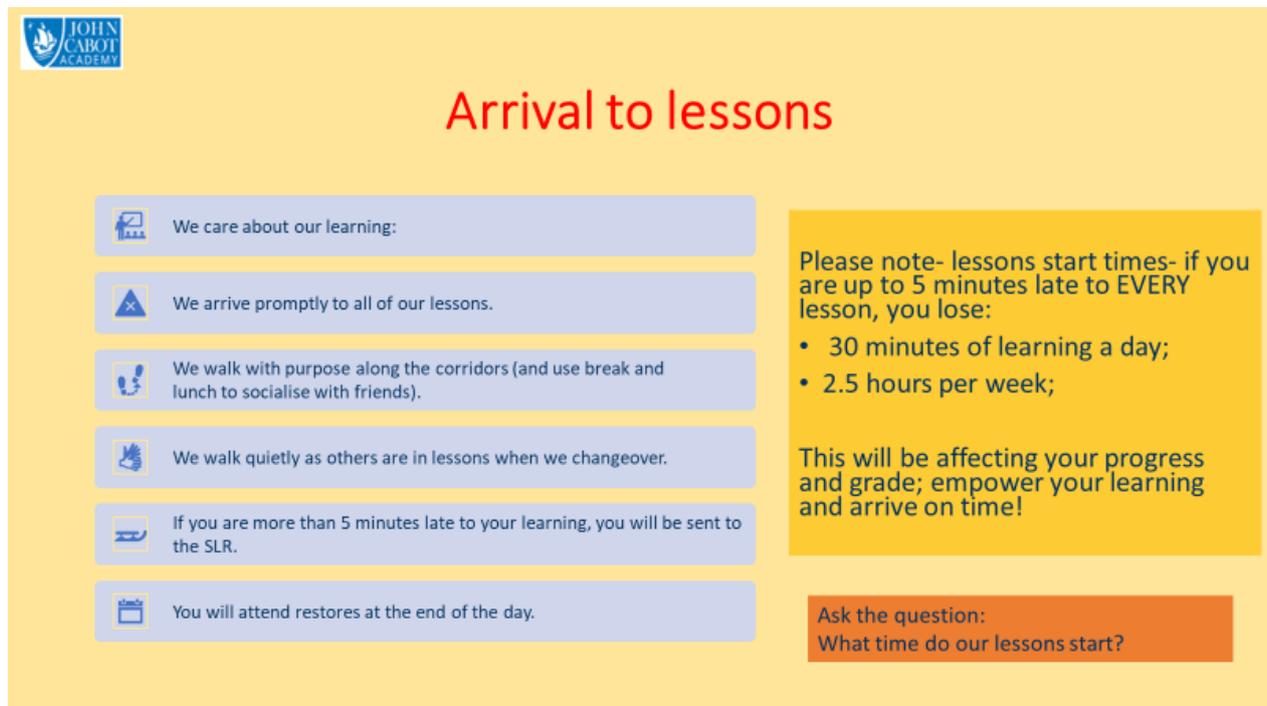
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### *JCA Routines – Punctuality and Attendance*

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Punctuality to school and lessons is so important. Past data shows us that students who are in school achieve on average 1.33 grades higher than those who are not **in every subject** they take.

So, it's always worth coming to school- even if you don't feel 100% in the morning. Very often we start to feel better across the school day anyway. Support us in encouraging your child(ren) to come to school even if they feel a little under the weather; over the year every little helps!



**Arrival to lessons**

-  We care about our learning:
-  We arrive promptly to all of 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.

Please note- lessons start times- if you are up to 5 minutes late to EVERY lesson, you lose:

- 30 minutes of learning a day;
- 2.5 hours per week;

This will be affecting your progress and grade; empower your learning and arrive on time!

Ask the question:  
What time do our lessons start?

Gemma Read  
**Vice Principal**

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### *Change of Date – Netball & Football Information Evening*

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The netball / football tour information evening is now scheduled for **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October**, moved from Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
5:00 Netball tour  
5:30 Football tour

This will take place in the main hall. Parents and students welcome

**Sarah Church**

Head of PE

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### *Summer Reading Challenge*

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Congratulations to Delilah G Year 8 who has won the prize draw for the library Summer Reading Book Bingo. Delilah has won a book lover's prize bundle which includes a bookish mug, hot chocolate, biscuits, pin badge, and a selection of colouring-in bookmarks.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Summer Reading competition. Keep visiting the library to watch out for our next competition.

**Laura Harnell**

Librarian

*Acoustic Night*



**JOHN CABOT ACADEMY PRESENTS**

**OCT  
17**

**Acoustic  
Night**

**ENTRY**  
£1 CONCESSION  
£2 ADULT

**TICKETS FROM MUSIC OFFICE**

**DOORS 18:15PM**

**REFRESHMENTS ON SALE AT INTERVAL**

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*Getting to Know the Pastoral Team*

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## Pen Portraits – Heads of Key Stage

Name: Steven Church

Role: Head of Key Stage 4

Background: Steven worked as a butchery assistant and then a computer consultant, before settling to becoming a teacher. As well as his pastoral role, Steve is a Science teacher



## Pen Portraits – Heads of Online Safety

Name: Joanne Shipp

Role: Head of Online Safety

Background: Left school in 1988 with 5 good GCSEs including English and maths. Loved school especially drama and sport. (O'levels were dropped the previous year.)

Went to Catering college in Bristol for 3 years. Qualified and a Chef but also took an HND in Hotel/Hospitality Management.

Worked in Bristol for a couple of years before travelling the globe, mostly working as a chef.

Came back to Bristol to have my son.

When he was 12 months, I went back to Bath university to study Food Science and Nutrition. Bagged myself a First Class BSC Hons 😊 Decided I didn't want to be a dietician or work in NPD, so did an extra year PGCE in DT/Food. Qualified in 2021.

Worked at the Ridings for 7 years and at JCA since 2008.

Zone Team Leader / Head of Key Stage since 2017. For the last 3 years, I have overseen the year 7 team and work primarily in the pastoral area of supporting young people and their wellbeing in school.

I also, co-ordinate the PSHE timetable for the whole school - which I really enjoy - and oversee E-Safety.

I love my job. I'm very lucky. Every day is different. Never a dull moment. Very rewarding but also very demanding. Teachers are fantastic human beings to work with every single day.



## Pen Portraits – Pastoral Support

Name: Connie Dunnill

Role: Designated Safeguarding Lead

Background: I studied an MSci in Psychology and Psychological Practice at the university of Birmingham, graduating in 2020, and joined JCA as a cover member of staff in the pastoral department in May 2021. I then joined JCA as a full-time Student Support Lead in September 2021 and took on roles as Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead and Mental Health and Wellbeing Champion as well.

As DSL, I Co-ordinate relevant safeguarding matters and am on hand to step in when safeguarding matters arise, working alongside the rest of the safeguarding team.

As Mental Health and Wellbeing Champion, I work towards creating a school environment where both staff and students feel supported and able to talk about their own mental health and wellbeing. I head staff initiatives for their wellbeing and organise mental health interventions for students, in particular working closely with our Mental Health Support Team (although we are currently waiting for a new Experienced Mental Health Practitioner to be recruited to work with our school)

