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Key Dates

1 st November	School Opening for Term 2
1 st – 12 th November	Year 11 mock exams
24 th November	Dance Show auditions for student choreography
7 th December	Dance Show
10 th December	Year 7 trip to the pantomime
14 th December	Winter Concert
15 th December	Christmas Lunch
17 th December	Last day of Term 2
4 th January	First day of Term 3



Fake JCA TikTok Accounts

Dear Parents,

We have become aware of a number of TikTok accounts that have been set up in JCA's name, all of which are fake as JCA does not have a TikTok account. Some of the videos that are being posted on these accounts are very unpleasant. If your child follows these accounts, they can message your child privately and we have been made aware that some of these messages are very explicit.

We have reported the accounts to the service providers identified above and logged the accounts under the Communications Act: Improper use of public electronic communications network with the Police. We have also sought to identify the owners of the accounts to ensure that the pages are removed and appropriate consequences issued.

The minimum age limit for TikTok is 13, so no-one in year 7 should have an account. Please can I ask you to look at your child's phone this evening and review all the accounts that your child is follows in TikTok. If your child is under 13, we highly recommend you delete the app altogether.

Thank you for your on-going support and efforts to keep the students in our community safe online.

Kate Willis
Principal

What Parents Need to Know about Squid Game

With themes of horror and violence, it's important for parents and carers to understand the potential risks posed to young audiences by the nine-episode Netflix-exclusive TV show, Squid Game. The series, rated 15+, is about a world where contestants who are deeply in debt play children's games in order to win cash prizes. The losers, however, are violently killed. The show's popularity has meant it has spread in various guises across online platforms, with a heightened risk of children and young people potentially viewing unsuitable content. That's



why we've created this guide to help parents and carers understand exactly what Squid Game is all about.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as inappropriate content, viral spin-offs and scene re-enactments.

Parents/Carers may also find the below information and guidance useful, which looks at how to set up parental internet controls at home.

Parental controls offered by your home internet provider

How to set up filters on your home internet to help prevent age inappropriate content being accessed on devices in your home.

The 4 big internet providers in the UK – BT, Sky, TalkTalk and Virgin Media – provide their customers with free parental controls which can be activated at any time. They have come together to produce these helpful video guides to help you to download and set-up the controls offered by your provider.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parental-controls-offered-your-home-internet-provider>;

Many thanks,

Phil de Scossa
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Year 7 Pantomime

Snow White Pantomime at the Bristol Hippodrome – Friday 10th December

We would like to invite your child to participate in a Year 7 trip to see the Pantomime, **Snow White**, on Friday 10th December at The Bristol Hippodrome. As Year 7 students are exploring, creating and developing their own Pantomime work in their drama lessons this term and next term, the opportunity to see a professional show would be both exciting and valuable. Furthermore, with sparkling set, stunning costumes, a live orchestra and the celebrity performers, it will be great fun!

We look forward to having a great day out with all of Year 7.

Thanks

Charlotte Grierson
Music Teacher

Student Success



One of our amazing Year 11 students, Mariama Sanneh, has won the National Lottery Young Hero award. This award recognises inspirational individuals, projects and young people who do extraordinary things for their community. Mariama is a junior trustee for Integrate UK, a youth led charity that empowers young people to take an active and positive role in transforming the society they live in.

An important part of her role as junior trustee is to lead youth steering groups and reports back to the board. In addition, Mariama has contributed to script writing, performing in the youth friendly media resources, whilst also delivering peer education workshops to students at John Cabot and elsewhere. These have included grooming for radicalisation, FGM and gang



and drug culture.

Mariama has devoted vast amounts of time and energy in her own time to being a positive voice for young people and in turn has made a huge contribution to our academy in both peer education and facilitating our Equalities Council. In addition to all of this, Mariama has since been recognised further in Bristol and has won the Bristol Young Heroes Arts and Culture award for all the creative music and media projects she has been involved in. We are very proud of all the work that Mariama has done to date, and we are excited to see what she does next. Congratulations from all the students and staff at JCA!

Careers



We were delighted to welcome Ellie Young (Communications Officer) of City of Bristol College to our school, on Thursday 4th November. Ellie hosted a “pop-up” event during our year 10 and year 11 lunchbreak. This event offered our students the opportunity to find out lots more about the post-16 pathways available at City of Bristol College, including A Levels and full-time Vocational and Technical Qualifications. Further information is available on City of Bristol College’s website, or by attending the College’s upcoming Open Evening, to be held on Tuesday 30th November from 4.30pm. [30 November 2021 Open Event | City of Bristol College](#)

Following the success of this event we are planning to welcome further post-16 providers to our school, on the dates below. Events will be held in the main corridor areas during both year 10 and year 11 lunchbreak. Please do encourage your Year 10 or Year 11 child to come and visit the providers, to find out more about the options available and / or ask any questions they may have:



Tuesday 16th November: **CLF Post 16**
Access Creative College

Thursday 25th November: **Onsite Bristol (Construction Apprenticeship Provider)**

Tues 30th November: **Bristol City Robins Foundation**

Thursday 2nd December: **St Brendan's Sixth Form College**

Alexandra Williams
Careers and Aspirations Coordinator

After School Sports

After school activities for term 2 will take place from 15:15 – 16:15 and there is no need to pre-book for any of these, just turn up at the sports hall with PE kit in a bag, as well as the appropriate footwear. For the year 9 boys' football, studded boots are required



Year	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Year 7	Rugby Netball	Dance Girls Football	Dance	Girls Rugby	
Year 8	Rugby Netball	Dance Girls Football Rugby	Dance	Girls Rugby	
Year 9	Rugby Netball	Dance Girls Football Rugby	Dance	Girls Rugby	
Year 10	Dance Fitness gym Netball	Sports Science Girls Football	Dance	Girls Rugby Fitness gym	
Year 11	Sport Science Netball	Sports Science Girls Football	Dance	Girls Rugby Fitness gym	



Finance

Communications with Finance

Emails from Finance Office - Finance may sometimes need to email you regarding your SCOPAY account and/or payments that you have made or need to make to the academy. Emails from Finance will come from either donotreply@scopay.com or from JCAFinance@clf.uk - we suggest that you add both email addresses to your list of safe senders to avoid the emails going to your Spam or Junk folder.

Emails to Finance Office - If you have any questions or queries for the Finance Office, please email JCAFinance@clf.uk. Alternatively, if you have received an email from donotreply@scopay.com and need to respond or query it with the Finance Office, please email JCAFinance@clf.uk

Telephone Calls to Finance Office - If you would like to speak to the Finance Office, please call 0117 976 3000, Extension 1106.

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.



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>

Purchase of School Uniform

Please note we only sell school ties in the academy - see below.

All other John Cabot Academy specific school uniform items should be purchased directly from our school uniform supplier, Trutex.

For full details of uniform requirements and a link to the Trutex website, please go to the John Cabot Academy website - Our Academy - Uniform. Alternatively, you can copy and paste the following to your browser: - <https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/uniform/>

When setting up your account you will be asked to register with the school code **LEA00918CH** as this will direct you to the John Cabot Academy uniform page

Purchases 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 school day.

Alternatively, for ties only, a cash payment can be accepted at the Finance Office – please send your child with the correct cash 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.

Purchases of Calculators

The option to purchase a calculator from the academy is 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 FX-83GTX Scientific Calculator @ £8.50 each

Your child's Maths Teacher will be able to advise on which calculator is appropriate for them.

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

