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Key Dates

5 th December	Concert at Holy Trinity Church Year 11 Leavers Certificate Celebration
12 th December	Year 7 Pantomime Trip
13 th December	Culture Dress & Festive Jumper Day
17 th December	Winter Concert
18 th December	Christmas Lunch
20 th December	Final Day of Term – School Closes 13:20

JCA Routines: Attendance and Punctuality

John Cabot Academy are currently able to boast the best attendance to school across the CLF! Our GCSE results over recent years has shown a direct link between high attendance and student academic achievement.

Could you please continue to ensure your child attends school each day. The school gate opens at 8:20am, where students are greeted by our leadership and pastoral teams. Your child should be at school by 8:40am to attend period 1.

Punctuality to lessons is also something we continue to expect from each student. Being on time limits disruptions to the learning of others and ensures students maximise their learning experiences with their subject teacher. Students who are late to school or lessons will spend the rest of the period in SLR (Separate Learning Room) so as not to disrupt the lesson with their late arrival. Thank you in advance for reiterating the expectation of being punctual at school.

If your child is ever too unwell to attend school, please call JCA before the start of the school day. Please also contact your child's pastoral year team if they need any support with coming into school.

Nathan Richardson
Assistant Principal

Acoustic Night 26th November

Tuesday 26th November marked the first of our music events this academic year. The evening was filled with brilliant performances from students in Year 8 to Year 11, and a real variety of genres.

For many students, this was their first performance in front of a live audience, and they did incredibly well. All performers and our brilliant tech team were great in making this event a huge success. You can watch the Acoustic Night performances here

<https://youtu.be/Ziu5U8ibukE?si=0u0mQIULt5oLxHvq>



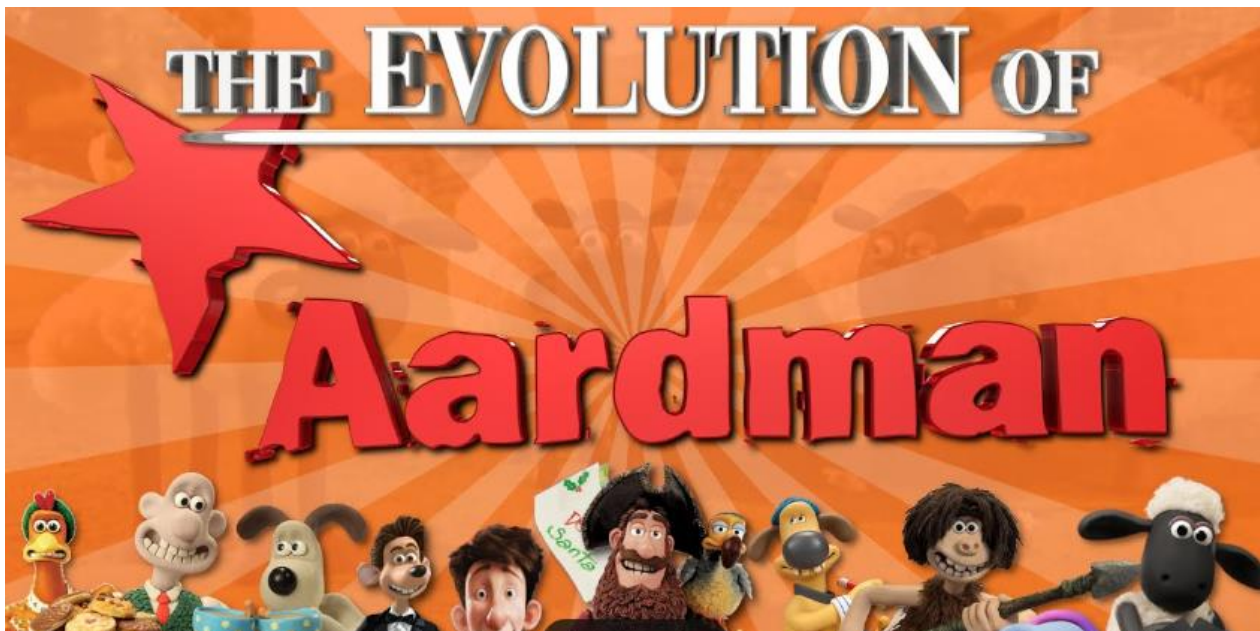
Future Brunel Trip

Future Brunel is a STEM organisation that supports young people by showing them future job opportunities and potential career paths.

In year 7, various students were chosen to audition for the Future Brunel Programme trip by completing challenges and tasks. 3 finalists from years 7, 8 & 9 have been selected from this as JCA representatives.

On Wednesday the 3 year 8 students went to Ardmaan Animation for the day where they were given a tour of the building and learnt about the film industry.

Poppy and Samihah said about the day "It has opened doors to different jobs that we did not know about and it was informative and such a fun day".



Careers Week

	Employer Led Assembly delivered by:	Other Events:
Monday 2nd Dec	Year 7: DESIGN WEST, Shankari Raj Design Careers in the Built Environment (ASSEMBLY DAY SWAP)	10C Business (JAL) Creative Producer Workshop, delivered by Future Quest, Maya Powell
Tues 3rd Dec	Year 8: CLF P16, Ali Ashman Introducing CLF P16 (ASSEMBLY DAY SWAP)	10D Business (JAL) Creative Producer Workshop, delivered by Future Quest Mary Zlobec-Short
Weds 4th Dec	Year 9: CLF P16, Ali Ashman Introducing CLF P16	Year 11 Science P3 (SCH) Dr Carla Westlake, Careers in Medicine
Thursday 5th dec	Year 10: AVIVA, Clare Duxbury Tom Evans, Liam Cureton Careers and Apprenticeships in Finance	Year 11 Mock Interviews held by Aviva, Clare Duxbury & Rachel ? Time: 09.50 – 14.30 Location: JCA Library Student List: 10 minute appointment times to be circulated via tutors by Tues 3 rd Dec
Friday 6th Dec	Year 11: CITY OF BRISTOL COLLEGE, Sophie Harding P16 Courses available at COBC	10B Business (JAL) Creative Producer Workshop, delivered by Future Quest Mary Zlobec-Short Year 10: Innovation Workshop, Delivered by Deloitte (names TBC) <u>Superlab</u> P1&2 Year 10 X P3&4 Year 10 Y

Kingswood Community Concert 5th December



Cake Sale 11th December

CAKE SALE

Wednesday 11th December

▪ **We are raising money for our Academy Production 'The Wizard of Oz'. Please support our show if you can and buy a cake**



▪ **Cakes will be on sale during breaktimes in the foyer area by the canteen. You can pay with cash or card!**



Winter Concert 17th December



JOHN CABOT ACADEMY
PRESENTS

WINTER CONCERT

TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER

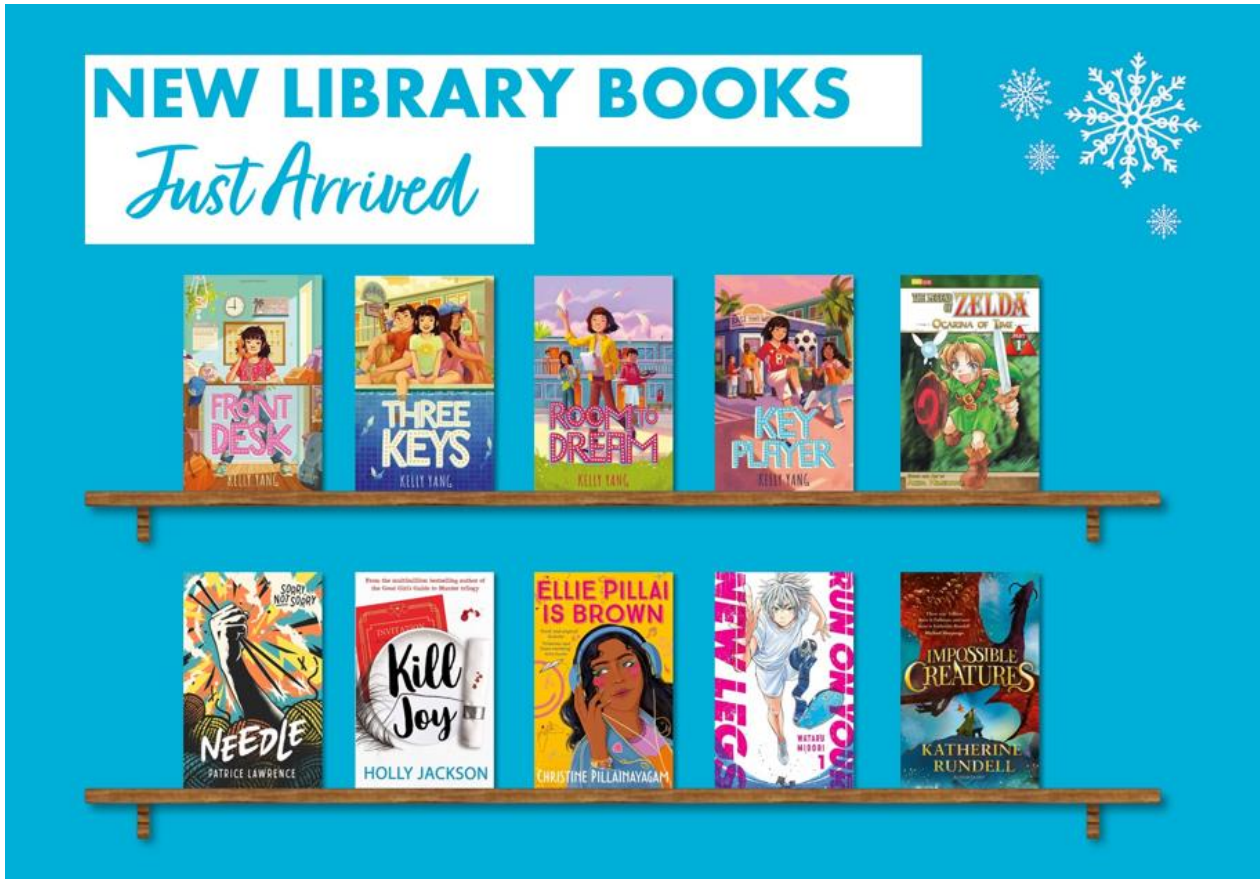
JCA MAIN HALL 6.30PM

**£2 ADULTS
£1 CONCESSION**

Tickets on ScoPay
or from Music Dept

Refreshments at Interval

Library New Books



Baby Bank Collection



Christmas collection for Baby Bank Network Bristol 😊
Any of the following would be appreciated

- **Nappies (all sizes)**
 - **Baby creams**
- **Shampoo for mums and babies**
- **Shower gel for mums**
 - **Toothbrushes**
 - **Wipes**
- **Cotton pads/buds**
 - **Sudocrem**
 - **New flannels**
 - **New baby towels**
- **New bath toys (in packet)**

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

The **Holiday activities and Food (HAF) programme** is running again during the winter holidays for children and young people in South Glos.

Dates are generally between Monday 23 December 2024 and Friday 3 January 2025 but will vary by provider.

The HAF programme is for **children and young people aged 5 to 16 who receive benefits-related free school meals**. Before booking funded HAF places, you need to have successfully applied for free school meals at www.southglos.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Children receiving universal free school meals, automatically offered in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 without needing to apply, do not qualify for funded HAF places unless they have completed a successful application.

Please follow these steps:

- Visit www.southglos.gov.uk/HAF for full information on the HAF programme and further support available to families.
- Click on **'book a space for your child now'** – this will take you directly to our booking platform with full listings of all the available activities and clubs.
- You will need to **register your child on this system** unless they have previously attended a HAF programme– in which case you will already have an account, so you will simply need to book the dates.
- The system will run an eligibility check to ensure that your child is registered on our benefits-related free school meals list. The list is kept up to date on a weekly basis, so it's best to build in time to apply for benefits-related free school meals ahead of booking HAF places.

- The booking system is mobile friendly so should be accessible to most families. If you do not have online access, you will need to contact the HAF club provider directly to book places for you.

CAPO Support Group



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SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE CAPO SUPPORT GROUP FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2024

4PM-6PM

**At Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre,
Fiddlers Wood Lane, Bristol BS32 9BS**

Are you a family experiencing a parent or family member in prison or the criminal justice system?

Come and join our friendly group for some fun and games! We offer a safe space to meet new friends and enjoy a variety of activities.

Sign up today!

For more information and to book a space, please contact:
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