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Key Dates

<i>6th December</i>	<i>Parent – Staff – Student Anti-Bullying Working Group 13:45pm</i>
<i>7th December</i>	<i>Year 7 Pantomime Trip</i>
<i>8th December</i>	<i>Culture & Festive Clothing Day – Raising money for Save the Children Gaza Crisis appeal – please provide a donation if you are able.</i>
<i>14th December</i>	<i>Christmas Lunch</i>
<i>15th December</i>	<i>Last Day of Term</i>
<i>2nd January</i>	<i>INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils</i>
<i>3rd January</i>	<i>First Day of Term</i>

Principal's Update

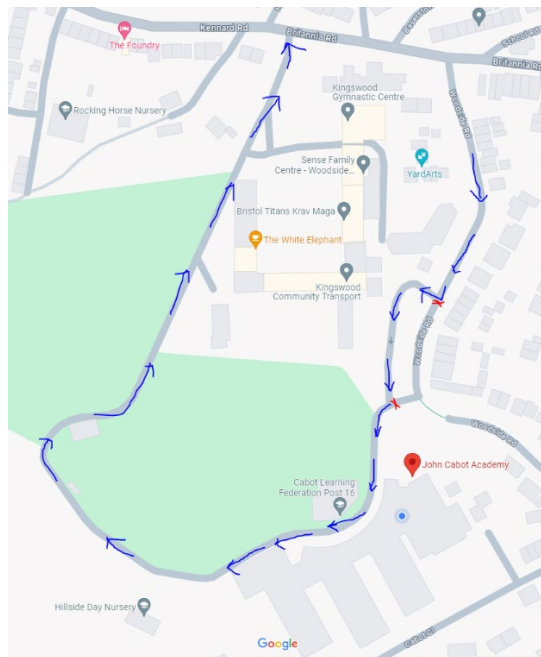
We had a sad incident last week where one of our students was hit by a car on Woodside Road at the end of the day. It occurred, in part, because a parent drove the 'wrong way' on Woodside Road and hit the student from behind. We have been working this week with the police and South Gloucestershire council to see if there are any more ways we can make our end of school day safer for the students.

Can I remind you of our end of day 'one-way' system that is designed to keep students safe. It is shown on the map below. To reassure you, within 5 minutes, the whole 'queue' of cars has cleared the carpark, so it definitely is the 'quickest' way to pick up your child.

One-way system:

Drive down Woodside Road and turn into the car park. This may require 'queuing' in the car park or Woodside Road.

Exit on the road on that goes through the school and the Kingswood foundation and out onto Britannia Road.



Final requests:

Please do not park on the double yellow lines by school. We have asked Parking Enforcement to come out any monitor this.

Please do not try and drive the 'wrong way' down Woodside Road, we have seen parents mount the pavements where the students are walking.

Routine: Punctuality and Registers

As we look forward to the final two weeks of term, we are focusing on our students being in lessons, listening and learning.

This means our staff are focusing on punctuality and registers; 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. If your child is in the corridor in lesson time, they can expect to be spoken to by every member of staff they meet.

<p>Routine 3: Punctuality & Registers</p>	<p>Period 1 to Tutor Time <i>Less than 5 minutes late</i> <i>Take register within 5 minutes.</i> <i>Mark L in register with minutes late.</i></p> <p><i>More than 5 minutes late</i> <i>Send to SLR*</i> <i>Update register with a 1</i> <i>Call home</i> <i>*Unless they have a note on paper/SIMS</i></p>
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Cultural Dress and Festive Jumper Day



On Friday 8th December, John Cabot have their cultural dress and festive jumper day. This is an opportunity for students and staff to celebrate and show respect to the wide number of cultural heritages we have in our community. If students wish to take part, we are asking for a voluntary donation of £1, which will be collected either via Scopay (available now) or on the entry way to school (cash or card will be accepted). The monies received will be donated to the charity chosen by the student body; for this event we are collecting for Save the Children Gaza Fund. We are looking forward to seeing each other's cultural dress and/or festive jumper collection!



Harry Potter Book Night 2024

The sign up for the Harry Potter Book Night will open in January 2024. In the run-up to the event, we are also running an art competition open to all students. Artwork featuring a Triwizard task must be submitted to JCA Library by the 10th of January 2024, to be in with a chance to win a bundle of art supplies. Please speak with Mrs. Harnell in the library for more information.



Winter Concert

Tickets for the winter concert are Available on SCOPAY until Monday the 11th of December until 3pm, then in person until the start of the event.



JOHN CABOT ACADEMY PRESENTS

Winter CONCERT

Thursday 14th December
6.30pm
JCA Main Hall

LIVE MUSIC
RAFFLE
TUCK SHOP

£2 ADULT
£1 CONCESSION

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM MUSIC / ON SCOPAY

South Glos Parent Carers Update

Alison Finn the Community Engagement officer for South Glos council, is working on the Regent Street scheme.

You may have heard that there have been discussions about pedestrianisation, this is not the only option.

A platform called Common place is being used to gather the views of people who live, work, or visit Kingswood, it is vital that young people also have the opportunity to share their views.

Please use the link below to share your views:

[Have Your Say Today - Kingswood - Regent Street scheme - Kingswood Town Centre Improvements \(commonplace.is\)](#)