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Key Dates

1 st May	Junior Maths Challenge
5 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
6 th May - 23 rd May	GCSE Exams
13 th May	Year 7 Future Brunel Selection
14 th May	Year 9 Future Brunel Trip Year 10 Parent / Carer Evening
19 th May	Year 8 Intercommunity
20 th May	Year 9 Intercommunity
21 st May	Year 7 intercommunity
23 rd May	End of Term 5
2 nd June	Start of Term 6

JCA Routines – Uniform

This weeks' routine focusses on student hair and headwear. JCA are proud to follow **The Halo Code**, which celebrates afro hair and hairstyles:

The Halo Code

Our school champions the right of staff and students to embrace all Afro-hairstyles. We acknowledge that Afro-textured hair is an important part of our Black staff and students' racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious identities, and requires specific styling for hair health and maintenance.

We welcome Afro-textured hair worn in all styles including, but not limited to, afros, locs, twists, braids, cornrows, fades, hair straightened through the application of heat or chemicals, weaves, wigs, headscarves, and wraps.

At this school, we recognise and celebrate our staff and students' identities. We are a community built on an ethos of equality and respect where hair texture and style have no bearing on anyone's ability to succeed.

Our uniform policy continues to embrace religious and cultural headwear, which we ask to be in JCA colours (black, blue or grey) if worn.

Terms 5 and 6 will focus on reminding students of all aspects of our policies on hair and headwear. This includes:

- No ornaments such as flowers, bows or elaborate hair bands
- Extreme hair colours not being allowed

From September, we will have a reset to ensure all students are following the policies. **Students have been briefed on this during their tutor time and assemblies last week.**

We hope this notice gives you and your child lots of notice for these rules for the next academic year.

Nathan Richardson
Assistant Principal

Year 7 – 19 Day Challenge

There are just 19 days left of term 5! To celebrate we are launching the 19 day challenge. This is a bingo sheet, on which students need to complete 19 activities before the final day of term.

Completed entries need to be handed back to the Year 7 pastoral office and a winner will be drawn on Friday 23rd May.

Good luck and enjoy!

Join a new club MOS:	Arrive on time MOS:	19 Day Challenge	Help tidy a classroom MOS:	Help a classmate who is stuck MOS:
Make a new friend MOS:	Wear full school uniform MOS:	Say thank you to a member of staff MOS:	Offer to hand out books in a lesson MOS:	Write a thank you note to someone MOS:
Receive a 5 in a lesson MOS:	Tell a member of staff a joke MOS:	Pick up a piece of litter MOS:	Hold a door open for someone MOS:	Write a short story or poem MOS:
Complete a piece of homework MOS:	Borrow a book from the library MOS:	Spend a social time outside MOS:	Say good morning to a member of staff MOS:	Do a random act of kindness MOS:

Lucy Strawford
Head of Year 7

Performing Arts Stars of Term 4

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Year 7 Drama

Yaxye Mohamed
Kristeen Rajesh Matthew

Year 7 Music

Mahdi Qurbani
Megan Alecci

Year 8 Drama

Maisy Florio
Poppy Dixon

Year 8 Music

Adnan Choudhury
Courtney Hole

Year 9 Drama

Oliver Coleman
Matilda Moore

Year 9 Music

Tiffany Chu
Aarav Sharma

Year 10 Drama

Dylan Thomas-Hall
Isobel Smith

Year 10 Music

Natalia Buzila
Dylan Carter

Year 11 Drama

Harry Ryan
Josh Stocker

Year 11 Music

Valerie Huang
Rex Chan



CLF Term Dates 2025/26

Term dates for 2025/26 are now available on our [website](#).

Clubs for Term 5



Year	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Year 7	Rounders	Running Cricket		Badminton & Tennis	
Year 8	Rounders	Dance Running Cricket		Badminton & Tennis	
Year 9	Rounders Basketball	Dance Running Cricket		Badminton & Tennis	
Year 10	Rounders Basketball	Dance Running Cricket		Badminton & Tennis	
Year 11	Rounders Basketball	Running Cricket		Badminton & Tennis	

Note: Please meet for clubs outside the Sports hall.
All clubs are open to boys and girls. Dance is for competition only.
Please change for clubs on non-PE days in the changing rooms
BASKETBALL & BADMINTON ONLY RUN FOR THE FIRST TWO WEEKS



ENRICHMENT CLUBS TERM 5

Year	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Year 7	Dungeons & Dragons Club	KS3 Drama Production Rehearsal Drama Club Warhammer Club Movie Club	Book Club Art Club	LGBT+	Choir
Year 8	Dungeons & Dragons Club	KS3 Drama Production Rehearsal Drama Club Warhammer Club Movie Club	Book Club	LGBT+	Choir
Year 9	Dungeons & Dragons Club	KS3 Drama Production Rehearsal Drama Club Warhammer Club Movie Club	Book Club	LGBT+	Choir
Year 10	Dungeons & Dragons Club	Warhammer Club	Book Club	Music Coursework LGBT+ Further Maths	Choir
Year 11	Dungeons & Dragons Club	Warhammer Club	Book Club	Music Coursework LGBT+	Choir



YEAR 11 REVISION

Day	Subject	Location
Monday	English History Maths (foundation) and Statistics Music RP	AG4 & AG1 AF10 AF3 AG10 TF1
Tuesday	Drama Business Further Maths Geography Music	TF4 TF4 TF6 TF2 AG10
Wednesday (Depending on staff meetings)	Art / Photo / Food	B Wing
Thursday	Music Spanish Sport Science Music	AG10 AF1 DC1 AG10
Friday	Maths (higher) Maths	TF5 TF7

Y11 academic club timetable

Sessions run from 3:15-4pm

You are there to work hard

Your teachers will be delighted to see you attend – every club you attend and try your best in moves you up the line of 750,000 Y11 students

Club Rules

Be on time Work hard You will be politely asked to leave if you are treating the club as a social event

Self-Care Around the Exam: Showcasing our Best Efforts

We all know that exams are extremely challenging, not only because of what we have to learn, but also because they can affect our mental health. Our Year 11s have prepared themselves really well for their GCSEs, which have begun but the pace of the assessments will continue to increase as the term progresses. Our Year 10s will also have their first set of opportunities to showcase how well they are applying themselves in each of their subjects in Term 6.

Please use the following link to a blog, which gives some practical tips on how to apply all the advice we know around exams.

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/blog/exam-self-care/>

Staff Pen Portraits

Pen Portraits – Receptionist

Name: Gail Murphy

Role: Afternoon Receptionist

Background: I worked as Pharmacy Dispenser for 8 years before starting my family.

I returned to work as a Playleader at Beacon Rise Primary for 4 years. I then got my job at JCA starting as a Lunchtime Supervisor for 5 years and eventually moving on to JCA Receptionist where I have been for 3 years.

I love my job and thoroughly enjoy speaking with parents, students, and staff every day.

