JOHN CABOT ACADEMY

NEWS

STUDENTS START SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

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Welcome to the first edition of JCA News, our new school newspaper written by students! We aim to connect the school by:

- Keeping everyone up to date on events
- Giving students a voice
- Creating a space for students to express themselves

We would love for you to get involved! You can do this by becoming one of our regular contributors who meet every Monday in the library (to sign up, write your name on the sign-up sheet in the library). You could also submit pieces of original creative writing or artwork or speak to us if you have any suggestions on what to include.



Readers can look forward to a variety of content in JCA News such as a list of events like school trips, articles on relevant topics, creative writing and art submissions and much more!

We hope JCA News will become a regular part of school life and involve many more students. We want to create a platform where students can share their ideas for many years to come.

We hope you enjoy!

From Amelie (Year 8), Lily (Year 8) and Dominika (Year 11)

Meet our Headteacher!

We interviewed our headteacher so you can find out what your experience will look like at John Cabot and who makes our school such a welcoming place!

What are you doing to lower the canteen prices?

I'm working really closely with the canteen team. I'm now meeting with them every 2 weeks. I'm talking to them about portion sizes and value deals.

How is the school supporting students mental health and wellbeing?

There is a huge team of pastoral staff who have specialised training to help students with issues that they have. We also have a mental health support team who work for the NHS and deal with exam stress e.t.c

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

It's watching students succeed and not just through GCSE results. I just want to see every young person succeed in their own way.

Which member of staff would you be happiest to swap jobs with?

I'd like to be a P.E. teacher for a day and be outside in the fresh air. I'd also like to be someone like Miss Crew or Miss Archibald and be more involved with students.

Trips and events this term

November

11th - Remembrance Day - 2 Minutes Silence
16th - Year 8 Intercommunity Day
17th - Year 9 Intercommunity Day
18th - Year 7 Inter Community Day
Year 9 Careers Day
23rd - INSET Day

December

1st - A Christmas Carol Theatre Trip
11th - Year 7 Pantomime Trip
14th - Winter Concert
16th - Christmas lunch
Culture Dress and Festive Jumper Day
18th - Last day of term 2

Lest We Forget

Remembrance Day commemorates the sacrifices made by the soldiers who lost their lives in the First and Second World Wars and other conflicts. It gives us a chance to reflect on the horrors of the past and the people who fought for our freedom. We asked several students about what Remembrance Day means to them and why they think it's important.

"So many people lost their lives in the war for a noble cause. If we didn't remember them then they would've died for no reason."

Ivy H (Year 8)

"I think of the amount of lives gave up so it is important to remember them. I also think it is important to think of the people in the colonies of those countries whose people died."

"My grandad was just only 14 in WW2 and by me celebrating Rememberance Day it shows just how much braveness he and his soldiers had."

Lily S (Year 11)

"As I am in the Cadets, I feel like a sense of closeness to this day so it makes it even more special for me."

Ethan (Year 9)

"It's is important to remember the people who sacrificed their lives for us."

Haydn (Year 8)