

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

### **End of Term Message**

In our vision for our Academy, we talk about wanting to Empower our students so that when they leave us they can fulfil their potential. We have three ways of doing that: Inspired by Learning, Nurturing the Individual and Raising our Community. As we reflect on the last year, I'd like to draw upon the voices of different people in our community to see how well we are doing at fulfilling this vision.

In May we had academics from Bangor University visit the Academy. This is what they saw in our classrooms:

The students appeared to work hard.... They listened well during teacher-led instruction, engaged meaningfully during group work or with whiteboards, and demonstrated high levels of engagement in all lessons. We observed that the students were confident when contributing in class; and in most lessons, the students were willing to speak up and make mistakes. The class teachers were, without fail, warm and encouraging to students.

We have always said that the key to nurturing our students is to have consistent boundaries, as that brings safety and thus allowing individuals to develop and express their individual identities. There were two answers in the Parents' survey this year that made me confident that we are fulfilling this ambition: 95% of parents said their child feels safe at JCA and 98% of parents said we make sure our pupils behave well.

Our student executive council meet each term, and the first question in our meeting is what makes you proud of JCA and what makes you feel like you belong. The response which occurs again and again and again is that "everyone is welcome, diversity is celebrated".

Thank you to you, Parents and Carers for all your support in helping us raise empowered young people who are thriving, flourishing and growing! Have a wonderful, restful summer holiday.

We look forward to seeing your child on:

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September for year 7

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September for all years.



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Principal

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### Free School Meals over the summer

For those eligible for Free School Meals, you will receive an email from us with your voucher to cover the summer holidays.

### Year 11 Exam Results

Are available for collection between 9 & 10am on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August. We will post out at midday any results not collected in the morning where you have provided us with an envelope.

### What will my child be learning in September?

<https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/curriculum-statement/>

On this page of the website, you will find the full curriculum plans for every subject for every year group throughout the year.

### Communication over the summer

Reception will close at 3pm on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July and will reopen on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. The [JCAinfo@clf.uk](mailto:JCAinfo@clf.uk) mailbox will not be checked until 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

For any Subject Access Requests, please email [SAR@clf.uk](mailto:SAR@clf.uk) and for any Freedom of Information Requests, please email [FOI@clf.uk](mailto:FOI@clf.uk).

### Safeguarding over the summer

If you have any concerns about the welfare of a child over the summer, please check our website, which shows you exactly who to phone for help/advice:

<https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/key-information/safeguarding-information/>

### Timings of the Day for 24-25

We will continue our staggered breaks and lunches as the students really appreciate the space to eat and play. We have swapped the lunches of year 7 & 9, but all the timings remain the same.

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| 2024/2025 Timings of the Day |                             |                             |                             |               |               |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                              | 7                           | 8                           | 9                           | 10            | 11            |
| <b>Arrival Window</b>        | 8:20 - 8:40                 | 8:20 - 8:40                 | 8:20 - 8:40                 | 8:20 - 8:40   | 8:20 - 8:40   |
| <b>Entry/Exit</b>            | Canteen                     | Canteen                     | Canteen                     | Canteen       | Canteen       |
| <b>Social Time Location</b>  | Canteen/Foyer/<br>Hardcourt | Canteen/Foyer/<br>Hardcourt | Canteen/Foyer/<br>Hardcourt | A-B Wing      | A-B Wing      |
| <b>Toilets</b>               | Canteen                     | Canteen                     | Canteen                     | A-B Wing      | A-B Wing      |
| <b>Period 1</b>              | 8:40 - 9:30                 | 8:40 - 9:30                 | 8:40 - 9:30                 | 8:40 - 9:30   | 8:40 - 9:30   |
| <b>Period 2</b>              | 9:30 - 10:40                | 9:30 - 10:40                | 9:30 - 10:40                | 9:30 - 10:40  | 9:30 - 10:40  |
| <b>Break</b>                 | 9:55 - 10:15                | 10:20 - 10:40               | 9:30 - 9:50                 | 10:20 - 10:40 | 9:30 - 9:50   |
| <b>Period 3</b>              | 10:40 - 11:30               | 10:40 - 11:30               | 10:40 - 11:30               | 10:40 - 11:30 | 10:40 - 11:30 |
| <b>Period 4</b>              | 11:30 - 12:20               | 11:30 - 12:20               | 11:30 - 12:20               | 11:30 - 12:20 | 11:30 - 12:20 |
| <b>Period 5</b>              | 12:20 - 13:50               | 12:20 - 13:50               | 12:20 - 13:50               | 12:20 - 13:50 | 12:20 - 13:50 |
| <b>Lunch</b>                 | 12:50 - 13:20               | 13:20 - 13:50               | 12:20 - 12:50               | 13:20 - 13:50 | 12:20 - 12:50 |
| <b>Period 6</b>              | 13:50 - 14:40               | 13:50 - 14:40               | 13:50 - 14:40               | 13:50 - 14:40 | 13:50 - 14:40 |
| <b>Tutor</b>                 | 14:40 - 15:00               | 14:40 - 15:00               | 14:40 - 15:00               | 14:40 - 15:00 | 14:40 - 15:00 |
| <b>Assembly</b>              | Wednesday                   | Monday                      | Tuesday                     | Thursday      | Friday        |
| <b>Leave</b>                 | 15:00                       | 15:00                       | 15:00                       | 15:00         | 15:00         |

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### Pastoral Staffing

We are thrilled to announce that Janet Allen has been promoted to Head of Key Stage 4, which means we have had to recruit to replace her (a very difficult task). So the pastoral staffing for next year is as follows:

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Modupe Odusote  
HEAD OF KEY STAGE 3



Janet Allen  
HEAD OF KEY STAGE 4



Lucy Strawford  
PASTORAL TEAM LEADER  
YEAR 7



Tom Sillitoe  
PASTORAL TEAM LEADER  
YEAR 8



Chris Titterington  
PASTORAL TEAM LEADER  
YEAR 9



Zara Hursay  
PASTORAL TEAM LEADER  
YEAR 10



Dan Coe  
PASTORAL TEAM LEADER  
YEAR 11



Helen Small  
STUDENT SUPPORT LEADER  
YEAR 7



Vickie Malin  
STUDENT SUPPORT LEADER  
YEAR 8



Lorene Archibald  
STUDENT SUPPORT LEADER  
YEAR 9



Simon Horn  
STUDENT SUPPORT LEADER  
YEAR 10



Charlotte Crew  
STUDENT SUPPORT LEADER  
YEAR 11

### New staff joining us in September:

Zara Hursay – Head of History & RP, Pastoral Team Leader of Year 10

Steve Gill – Curriculum Team Leader of English

Lisa Utlely – Deputy Curriculum Team Leader of English

Jake Deakin – English Teacher

Mani Baird – PE Teacher

David Dunn – Science Teacher

Hayley Holton – Art Teacher

Adam James – Cover Supervisor

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