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Key Dates

24th November	Dance Show auditions for student choreography
2 nd December	Y9 and Y10 DofE information and sign-up event 3pm
6th December	Charity music concert 7pm
7th December	Dance show
10th December	Year 7 trip to the pantomime
14th December	Winter concert 6:30pm
15th December	Christmas lunch and jumper day. Year 11 Parent's Evening - in person at JCA
17th December	Last day of term 2
4th January	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
5th January	First day of term 3

Lateral Flow Testing at Home

Dear parents and carers

We are taking a number of measures to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus, including:

- Encouraging all staff to test regularly, to minimise the risk of our teachers giving your child or other children Covid;
- Ensuring our staff and children practice good hygiene;
- Making sure our spaces are well ventilated and;
- Wearing masks in communal spaces;
- Encouraging all members of our community to isolate and book a [PCR test](#) should they **develop symptoms of the virus.**



We are also asking all parents to have your children take a lateral flow test on a Sunday and Wednesday and to report each result.

Up to one in three people who have COVID-19 can spread the virus without knowing. This is because they have no symptoms.

Pupils will be able to collect home test kits from school. Please ask your child if they have received these and help them to take the test and report their results. Testing is free of charge.

The tests will come with guidance in multiple languages on how to take the test. You can also see this useful video to show you [how to take the test](#) . Tests usually take a few minutes to do and you get the results in 30 minutes. Then all you need to do is to report the result to:

- NHS Test and Trace: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>
- Report to JCA on this form: <https://forms.office.com/r/pUVZsiFfNQ>

Financial support is available if your child tests positive and you need to self-isolate

If you are unable to work due to your child having, or displaying symptoms of, COVID-19, you may be entitled to a one-off payment of £500 through the [NHS Test and Trace Support Payment scheme](#) if you are required to stay at home and self-isolate.

You will be eligible if you live in England and meet all the following criteria:

- you have been asked to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace, including by the NHS COVID-19 app
- you are employed or self-employed
- you cannot work from home and will lose income as a result
- you are claiming at least one of the following benefits:
 1. Universal Credit
 2. Working Tax Credits
 3. income-related Employment and Support Allowance
 4. income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 5. Income Support
 6. Pension Credit or Housing Benefit

Please contact Jane Day, our COVID Coordinator, if you have any questions or concerns about home testing.

Thank you for your support.

Kate Willis
Principal



Lateral Flow Testing in Translated Languages

Further information on lateral flow testing in other languages can be found by clicking the below links:

English	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1024894/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions.pdf	
Arabic	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018082/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-arabic.pdf	
Bengali	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018083/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-bengali.pdf	
Chinese	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018084/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-chinese-simplified.pdf	
Dari	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031759/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instruction-dari.pdf	
Farsi	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031755/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instruction-farsi.pdf	
Gujarati	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1020638/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-gujarati.pdf	
Hindi	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031757/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instruction-hindi.pdf	
Punjabi-gurmukhi	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018087/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-punjabi-gurmukhi.pdf	
Punjabi-shmukhi	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018105/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-punjabi-shahmukhi.pdf	
Polish	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018086/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-polish.pdf	
Pashto	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031758/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instruction-pashto.pdf	
Romanian	-
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/10	



[18088/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-romanian.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018088/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-romanian.pdf)

Slovak -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031756/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instruction-slovak.pdf

Somali -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018089/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-somali.pdf

Turkish -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018090/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-turkish.pdf

Urdu -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1018091/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-urdu.pdf

Welsh -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1023714/COVID-19-self-test-throat-and-nose-instructions-welsh.pdf

School Absence Due To Illness

Minor ailments should not be a reason for staying at home. If your child attends school when feeling slightly under the weather, but feels worse during the school day, they can let a member of staff know and we will contact you to let you know if we think your child needs to go home.

If your child is too ill to attend school, you must notify the academy before 9:00am on the first day of absence. If your child is ill for more than one day, you will need to notify the academy on each morning of the absence, unless otherwise agreed.

To report an absence, please contact John Cabot Academy on 0117 9763000 and select option 2 to leave a message on the attendance line.

Please clearly explain the symptoms your child has, when the symptoms started, and when you expect them to be well enough to return to school.

By law, schools must record all pupil absences and whether the absence is authorised or unauthorised.



Duke of Edinburgh Challenge

I'm pleased to let you know that John Cabot Academy offers the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) to students in year 9, and currently for students in year 10 who missed the opportunity last year.

The DofE is a great chance for your child to broaden their horizons, discover new interests and talents, have fun with friends, develop essential skills for their future and achieve an internationally renowned award.

The cost of this will be £23 for the registration and then the expedition will be up to £150, to be confirmed in the spring based on the number of students on the trip.

If the cost of taking part is prohibitive, please speak to me as there may be financial support available to you, or you can email JCAinfo@clf.uk with any questions.

We will hold a sign-up event for students on Thursday 2nd December from 15:00 – 16:00 in the Library. Students will need to have returned their signed reply slip and paid the £23 for the space. Many thanks for your support and we look forward to helping your child to achieve their DofE.

Annabel Massey
DofE Manager

Revision Guides for Year 10 and 11 Students

I'm pleased to let you know that John Cabot Revision Guides are available to order via SCOPAY for all Year 10 & 11 students.

The guides that have been made available to each student are based on their option subjects/abilities. Please contact your child's Tutor and/or Subject Teacher if you have any questions or need any guidance when making a purchase.

Please place your orders by Friday 26/11/2021. The orders will then be placed with the suppliers after the closing date. Guides will be distributed to students as soon as they are received in the Academy prior to the end of Term 2.

Jo Chappell
Finance Assistant



Autumn Safety Day 24th November

Please do contact pastoral year teams and/or Joanne Shipp (lead PSHE) should you have any queries.

Overview of the Day

	P1	P2	P3	P4
YEAR 7	BULLYING p1	BULLYING p2	Self-image and Identity Warm Up, Tasks 1+2	Self-image and Identity Tasks 3+4, Plenary
YEAR 8	BULLYING p1	BULLYING p2	Online Reputation p1 Warm Up, Tasks 1+2	Online Reputation p2 Tasks 3+4, Plenary
YEAR 9	Online Relationships p1 Warm Up, Tasks 1+2	Online Relationships p2 3+4, Plenary	BULLYING p1	BULLYING p2
YEAR 10	Self-Image and Identity p1 Warm Up, Tasks 1+2	Self-Image and Identity p2 3+4, Plenary	BULLYING p1	BULLYING p2
YEAR 11	BBC Panorama - Online Sexual Harassment	Recognising (1)	Responding (2)	Reporting (3)

Careers

- Post-16 provider events will be held in the main corridor areas during both Y10 and Y11 lunchbreak. Please do encourage your Y10 or Y11 child to come and visit the providers to find out more about the post-16 options available and / or ask any questions they may have.

Thursday 25th November: Onsite Bristol (Construction Apprenticeship Provider)

Tuesday 30th November: Bristol City Robins Foundation and Boomsatsuma

Thursday 2nd December: St Brendan's Sixth Form College

- CLF Post-16 are continuing to offer open day tours. These tours offer Year 11 students the opportunity to see Post-16 lessons in action, see the facilities, meet some of the staff, and ask any questions they may have. Next Tours are running on Wednesday 24th November from 3.30pm. Please visit this link for more details, or to book a place: <https://post16.clf.uk/events/>

Alexandra Williams, **Careers and Aspirations Coordinator**



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Free December Half Term Football Holiday Camp

Bristol City are running a free football camp taking place in the December half term at City Academy. Please speak to any of the PE teachers for the application forms for this



IGNITION!
DECEMBER HALF TERM FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CAMP
In partnership with the holiday activity and food programme

FREE!

Fun covid secure holiday football camp for young people aged between 6 - 12 years old.
Spaces are limited to 60 children a day and are given on a first come, first serve basis.
Nutritious lunch provided.

20th - 23rd December
10am - 2pm

City Academy, Redfield,
BS5 9HJ

Please contact sam.smith@bcfc.co.uk
for more information



Dance Show

DANCE SHOW AUDITIONS

WEDNESDAY 24 NOVEMBER

3:00 – 4:00

DANCE STUDIO

Your opportunity to audition a solo, duet or group dance that you would like to perform in this year's dance show.

Dances should last approximately 2-3 minutes.



DANCE

DANCE SHOW 2021

Tuesday 7 December

**Doors open 5:45pm,
show starts 6:00pm**

**Tickets on sale from Monday
29 November from the PE
office & they will also be
available on the door
(buy early to avoid disappointment)**

**£3 adults
£2.50 under 18 or over 60**



Netball



On Tuesday 9 November at SBL we took a team of netball players from our Monday netball club to compete in the Year 10/11 netball tournament at SBL. Our team worked incredibly hard, playing 5 matches against difficult opposition. They enjoyed the experience - it is great to be out playing competitive netball again.

Well done to Eva Baker, Heva Taha, Teana Grufferty, Grace Brett, Sophia Conway-Dyer, Poppie McDermott, Matilda Coles, Keeley Wilks, Ardjen Velasquez, Jude Leaman and Jacob Kendall on representing our school with such a positive attitude.

Sarah Church
Deputy Curriculum Team Leader for PE



Finance

Communications with Finance

Emails from Finance Office - Finance may sometimes need to email you regarding your SCOPAY account and/or payments that you have made or need to make to the academy. Emails from Finance will come from either donotreply@scopay.com or from JCAFinance@clf.uk - we suggest that you add both email addresses to your list of safe senders to avoid the emails going to your Spam or Junk folder.

Emails to Finance Office - If you have any questions or queries for the Finance Office, please email JCAFinance@clf.uk. Alternatively, if you have received an email from donotreply@scopay.com and need to respond or query it with the Finance Office, please email JCAFinance@clf.uk

Telephone Calls to Finance Office - If you would like to speak to the Finance Office, please call 0117 976 3000, Extension 1106.

SCOPAY - Online Payment System - Preferred Method of Payment

SCOPAY is our preferred method of payment for all transactions when making payments to the academy. This system allows you to make payments for trips, events, music tuition and learning resources plus your child's school lunch account can also be topped up using this system. The system can be used on a desktop computer, or you can download the App to use on your mobile phone or tablet meaning that you can access your account at any time.

If you have not already received a link code or require an additional link code(s) to enable another Parent/Carer to also set up a SCOPAY account and make payments for your child(ren), please send an email to JCAFinance@clf.uk

SCOPAY - Payments for School Lunches

Please remember to check if your child's School Lunch account requires topping up with funds to enable them to purchase food from the canteen.

If you would like to set up alerts so that you will know when their balance is getting low and requires topping up, please go to the John Cabot Academy website - Our Academy - Canteen and Online Payments, where you will find the 'SCOPAY Parent Guide - Alerts' at the bottom of the page to help you. Alternatively, you can copy and paste the following to your browser: - <https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/our-academy/canteen-and-online-payments/>

There are two further SCOPAY Parents Guides, one for Managing Your Account and another for Making Payments, that you may also find useful on this page.

SCOPAY - Link to Login Page

You can find a link to the SCOPAY Login Page if you go to the John Cabot Academy website - Our Academy - Canteen and Online Payments.

Alternatively, you can copy and paste the following to your browser: - <https://www.scopay.com/john-cabot-ac>



Purchase of School Uniform

Please note we only sell school ties in the academy – see below.

All other John Cabot Academy specific school uniform items should be purchased directly from our school uniform supplier, Trutex.

For full details of uniform requirements and a link to the Trutex website, please go to the John Cabot Academy website - Our Academy - Uniform. Alternatively, you can copy and paste the following to your browser: - <https://johncabotacademy.clf.uk/uniform/>

When setting up your account you will be asked to register with the school code **LEA00918CH** as this will direct you to the John Cabot Academy uniform page

Purchases of School Ties

The option to purchase a school tie for £6.00 via SCOPAY is available for every student and SCOPAY continues to be our preferred method of payment. If your child has lost their tie, you can purchase a replacement via your SCOPAY account, and it will be available for collection by your child the following school day.

Alternatively, for ties only, a cash payment can be accepted at the Finance Office – please send your child with the correct cash payment of £6.00 in an envelope with their full name, year group and tutor group detailed.

Please ask your child to collect their tie from the Finance Office. The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time.

Purchases of Calculators

The option to purchase a calculator from the academy is available to all students via SCOPAY.

If you wish to purchase a calculator for your child, there are two types available and currently in stock:

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- Casio ClassWiz FX991EX Scientific Calculator @ £19.50 each, or
- Casio FX-83GTX Scientific Calculator @ £8.50 each

Your child's Maths Teacher will be able to advise on which calculator is appropriate for them.

When you have made your SCOPAY purchase, your child will be able to collect their calculator from the Finance Office the following school day. The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time

Purchase of Memory Cards for GCSE Photography

The option to purchase memory cards from the Academy is available on SCOPAY for all GCSE Photography students.

There are currently two types in stock:-

- HAMA 16GB SDHC Card @ £5.50 each, or
- HAMA 4GB SDHC Card @ £4.00 each

When you have made your SCOPAY purchase, your child will be able to collect their memory card from the Finance Office the following school day. The Finance Office is open to students every day before school and during break time.

