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Key Dates

31 st March	Eid Al-Fitr
2 nd March	Parent / Carer Coffee Morning Cake Sale
2 nd – 3 rd April	GCSE Spanish Speaking Exams
4 th April	Non-Uniform Day End of Term 4
22 nd April	Start of Term 5

JCA Routines – Moving Safely Around the Building

Our routine for the final week of term focusses on students moving safely around the school building. With Year 11 national exams starting in term 5, it is also important that students move around the school in a way that does not impact year 11 students performing these.

Your child contributing to a calm and safe environment includes them:

- Walking around the school building in a calm and safe manner
- Following the one-way system when manoeuvring around the school building
- Walking on the left-hand side of the corridors
- Giving themselves plenty of time to reach their lessons (and being familiar with their timetable) to ensure they are on time
- Respecting both their personal space and those of others

We thank all families for continuing to support us in maintaining high standards across JCA this year.

Nathan Richardson
Assistant Principal

Staff Absences

A few parents have got in touch to ask about staff absences and supply teachers. Unfortunately a number of our teachers have coincidentally experienced sudden bereavements or serious injuries, requiring them to be off for extended periods of time. I know your thoughts, like ours, will be for those colleagues and their families, and we look forward to them returning to JCA as and when they are able.

When a teacher is off for an extended period of time, we proactively work with the Teaching supply agencies to get in a long term subject specialist teacher. However, in subjects where there is a shortage of teachers nationally, this can be exceptionally hard, as there just are no specialist teachers available. We recognise that a supply teacher will have to take time to develop the relationships that our long-standing teachers have, but all our staff support our supply teachers to settle in as quickly as possible.

If you have every thought of teaching as a career, (and it is a fantastic job), please do come in and talk to us, there are vacancies in the CLF teacher training programme for September: <https://institute.clf.uk/train-to-teach/the-teacher-training-programme/>

Kate Willis
Principal

CLF Term Dates 2025/26

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

Parent and Carer Coffee Morning 2nd April



On Wednesday 2nd April we welcome parents and carers of JCA students to meet with the Equalities Council reps and hear about the work they are doing in the school.

To join us, please either book tickets on the following link [EVENTBRITE](#) or email JCAinfo@clf.uk FAO: Coffee Morning

Cake Sale Wednesday 2nd April

Cake Sale

Wednesday 2nd April



Every breaktime

All money raised to Islamic Relief &
Medecin Sans Frontier

Non-Uniform Day Friday 4th April

Non-Uniform Friday 4th April



Please donate if you can!

All money raised from non-uniform will go
to Islamic Relief & Medecins Sans Frontier

East Bristol Liveable Neighbourhood

We have been contacted by some parents as the roadworks/changes to the roads as part of the East Bristol Liveable Neighbourhood scheme are making it more difficult for students to come to JCA, meaning they are late for school more often.

We will contact Bristol City Council to explore this more - look out for an update next week.

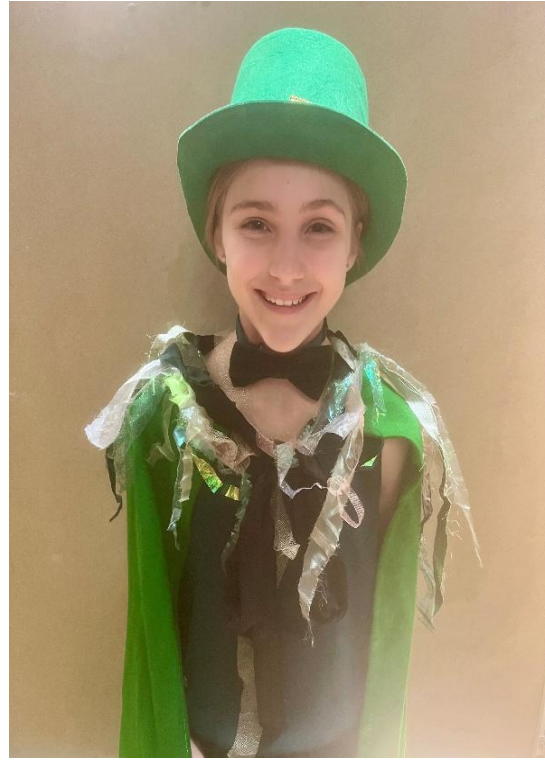
The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

John Cabot students 'follow the yellow brick road' in this delightful stage adaptation of L. Frank Baum's beloved tale featuring the iconic music from the MGM film. The timeless tale, in which young Dorothy Gale (Iris H, Year 11 & Sophie T, year 11), is caught in the eye of a tornado and lands in the fantasy world of Oz, meeting various characters along her journey to find the Wizard of Oz. The Scarecrow (Harry R, Year 11), Tin Man (Laura GM, Year 9) and Lion (Zara A, Year 9) play lead roles alongside Munchkins, Winkies, Witches and farm people.

The production was brought to life by a cast and crew of over 70 students spanning Years 7 to 13. Performed over three nights to packed houses, with an additional matinee performance for pupils from Two Mile Hill Primary School and Air Balloon Primary School, this heartfelt story about overcoming challenges, making lasting friendships and the meaning of home, boasts comical and heartfelt moments. The music to this fabulous musical extravaganza is played by an exceptional 7-piece live band featuring students from Years 8-11.

It has been brilliant to watch the story come to life over the last few months, all culminating in a fantastic realisation of this classic. Having the privilege of a live band and slick backstage & technical team, really makes the show a fantastic performance all round. we hope this is an experience that the students involved, will not forget.









Coping with Suicidal Thoughts - Childline

Suicidal thoughts and feelings are unpleasant, and may leave the thinker fearful as to what led them to that point. Part of the problem when they occur is that they originate from one's own self examination.

Yet it is often the case that this examination has been flawed in some way. Learning to cope with these manifestations is an important skill.

Childline has published an article aimed at addressing these urges in a healthy and productive way. If interested, please follow the link below:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/your-feelings/mental-health/coping-suicidal-feelings/>

Gemma Read

Vice Principal