

Half Term Exam Preparation Sessions

The table below shows the revision sessions taking place for Year 11 students during the half term holiday next week.

Day	Date	Subject(s)	Timings	Room(s)
Monday (Bank Holiday - ACADEMY CLOSED)	28/05/2018			
Tuesday	29/05/2018	Maths	10am - 12pm	AF3
		ICT	(Students bring lunch) 12pm-2:30pm	AF4 (Miss Brimble)
Wednesday	30/05/2018	Science	10am - 12pm	Superlab
		Hospitality	1pm-3pm	Miss Shipp
Thursday	31/05/2018	History	10am - 12pm	TF3
		Geography	1pm - 3pm	TF2 (Miss Dutton) AF5 (Miss Fuorvito)
Friday	01/06/2018	Music	10am - 12pm	Music Room
		Music	1pm - 3.30pm	Music Room

Colston Hall 'Heroes & Monsters'

Due to the unforeseen snow earlier in the year, this concert had to be rescheduled and will now take place on Thursday 7 June.

All students who had originally signed up have now been given a second letter with reply slip to confirm that they can still attend the concert. If they cannot, please inform me and I will refund their £1! There are four student places left at £1 each if anyone else would like to come along to this great concert. Please speak to Miss Grierson if you are interested.

Cabot's Got Talent!

Do you have a hidden talent? Maybe you are a great dancer, singer, rapper, gymnast or comedian.



We will be soon holding auditions for a talent event taking place in Term 6 and open to students in Years 7-10. You can enter as a solo performer or as part of a group and these can be mixed ages and communities. This will be a ticketed, evening event with prizes for the winners!

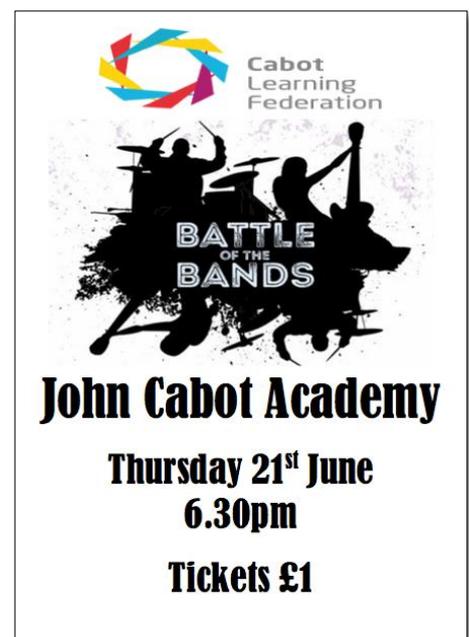
More information to follow but if you have any questions in the meantime, speak to a member of the Performing Arts department and start practising your talent!

CLF Battle of the Bands

Will take place at John Cabot Academy on Thursday 21 June, from 6.30pm.

The event will feature live performances, original pieces of music and lots of energy and enthusiasm from all the secondary academies! There will be top prizes up for grabs and the event will be judged by some esteemed colleagues from the Federation and beyond.

If you would like to come along, secure a ticket by emailing: charlotte.grierson@jca.cabot.ac.uk or you can pay on the door for £1.



Ten Tors success

Joshua O’Inn (Y10) recently took part in the Ten Tors event through his links with the Army. Josh wrote:

The Ten Tors is an annual 2-day event, which this year started at 7am on Saturday 12 May, and my group of six finished at 11.47am Sunday. Around 400 groups participate and every year there are a number of groups that do not complete the Ten Tors Challenge, so we were pleased to finish, and to improve our time as last year it took us 4 hours longer. It is a challenging event in sometimes very harsh muddy conditions, and we fell over lots, I fell in the bog knee deep. We camped overnight at Tor 7. The longest stretch was 6.8km between Tors, the shortest was 3kms, and we walked a minimum of 35 miles or 56kms. Not sure if I will do it again next year!



Project Rugby Celebration Event

Throughout Terms 3, 4 & 5 students from Years 7 to 10 have been participating in an initiative set up by England Rugby to increase girls’ participation in rugby.

Each week, our students have received outstanding training sessions from a Bristol Rugby coach and have received tickets to see Bristol Rugby in action. This week, the initiative finished and the students had the opportunity to play against other Project Rugby teams in the celebration event held at Ashton Gate. The enthusiasm and passion demonstrated by all of the girls involved was fantastic and they were a credit to the school.

We look forward to working with Bristol Rugby again in the future.



Maths Challenge

Many congratulations to all the students in Years 7 and 8 who took part in the recent Junior UK Maths Challenge.

This is a National competition organised and sponsored by the UK Mathematics Trust and various prominent businesses. We are happy to announce that 27 students achieved awards in the Challenge including five gold awards. The following students gained these awards:

- Gold: Jun Hao Chen (Best in School), Harry Bowley, Curtis Vickers, Vernon Swanepoel and Zayd Choudhury.
- Silver: Hussien Bare, Louis Rainey, Ruby Saunders and Claudia Bartkowiak.
- Bronze: Brook Morgan, Aneesah Ikram, Joshua Barrett, Caitlin Kallarachully, Amber Witcombe, Tia Griffith, James Curry, Lola Douglas, Zoe Cummins, Kacper Balabuch, Eliza Bellamy, Ahasch Srikanthan, Aaliyah Rasheed, Antoni Byczynski, Ruby Adams, Paige Cholefko, Benjamin Stew, Banjamin Sale and Max Buckingham.

Two students: Jun Hao Chen (Y7) and Harry Bowley (Y8) have also made it through to the next level of the competition, which will take place on 12 June. Well done, this is an amazing achievement!

Royal Wedding

On Friday 18 May, the canteen laid on a celebratory event to celebrate the royal wedding.

The canteen was decorated with bunting and there was royal themed food for the students to buy. Even some familiar canteen staff behind the servery!



All the students seemed to enjoy the celebrations.



Football success

Two students from Year 9, Archie Smart and Joshua Maggs, who play for AEK Boco, won the Avon Youth League Cup last weekend.

The boys helped the team to win 2-0 in the final against St Nicholas. The team are also the winners of Division 1 this season so a big well done to both of them.

Violin Taster and Reduced Price Sessions at John Cabot Academy in Term 6

In Term 6, we are offering students the opportunity to sign up for a violin taster session with a violin teacher, priced at only £5.

If your child then wants to sign up to subsequent taster sessions, these will be priced at £4 per session, just for Term 6. We will provide a violin that your child can borrow, which will be supplied by South Gloucestershire Music Service. Every Wednesday after school, there will be two sessions held, each for 20 minutes. Your child will either be in the 3.00pm – 3.20pm class or the 3.20pm – 3.40 pm class. Each session will cater for up to two students.

A letter was given to students recently with a reply slip to return if they want to sign up either for just the taster session or the taster session and subsequent sessions. This slip needs to be returned to the music department.

Direct Line Customer Service Apprenticeship

Direct Line are looking for Apprentices to join their Sales and Service department for a 2 year apprenticeship programme starting in September in Bristol.

As well as gaining on-the-job experience within their customer sales and service team, apprentices will achieve a Level 2 qualification in Financial Services. Upon completion of the apprenticeship, you would secure a permanent, full-time position within their Sales and Service department – subject to performance and completion of studies. For further information and to apply, please go to:

https://dlg.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/DLGCAREERS/job/Bristol/Customer-Service--Apprenticeship--Bristol_R-3918.

Students who would like support with their application can speak to JCA's Careers Advisor, Catrina Holmes, who is based in SF6.

Free PE kit for Years 8 – 10

We have lots of PE kit we want to distribute; some brand new, some new but used and washed. We are going to be giving it all away.

There are some students who have lost all or parts of their PE kit. We are encouraging any students in Years 8-10 who wear the old JCA PE kit to come and help themselves to spare items. PE teachers will also try to hand out to students in classes.

On Friday of week one next term, all remaining kit will be laid out on the floor in the main hall where the students walk through in the morning. Students are free to collect whatever they want if they have not yet done so by this point. The expectation after this is that from week 2 onwards, all students will have had the opportunity to get PE kit if they needed some and therefore all students will be expected to be in JCA branded PE kit from that point onwards. We hope that by distributing the spare kit in this way, there should be no student in the school who does not have PE kit to participate in.

Future Quest trip

On Thursday this week, a group of Year 9 students attended the Future Quest aspirations day to the Clifton Suspension bridge.

Students had the experience of finding out about the history and construction of the bridge as well as the history of the famous engineer, Isambard Kingdom Brunel. Students attended a workshop to create the best constructed bridge using materials provided. They then had the opportunity to explore the vaults, which were more recently discovered in 2002.



Damage to property

Unfortunately, we do occasionally experience damage or theft of property within the Academy grounds.

Whilst we make every effort to ensure adequate provision is made for those students who, for example, bring bicycles to school, we have to remind parents that the Academy cannot be held responsible for any theft or damage to students' property that they bring onto the site.

Old boots and trainers

A big thank you to those parents who sent in outgrown football boots and trainers for others to wear if they forget them.

One of the biggest barriers to rugby is the purchase of boots, especially if your son/daughter does not belong to a football/rugby team. It is nice to be able to offer spare boots to anyone who forgets to bring them that lesson or for some people who are financially struggling so they can still access the curriculum and your generosity has enabled us to do that. Thank you.

Sports clubs for Term 6

Athletics club, rounders, GCSE academic and coursework and a tennis competition will all be offered next term.

Please encourage your sons and daughters to attend. For any further information, please speak to any member of the PE team.

Rolls Royce Careers Day for Year 10 Students

We have been allocated ten places for Year 10 students at Roll Royce's Careers Day on Thursday 5 July.

The day will include information about how the subjects students are currently studying apply to employment opportunities as well as support to develop the skills that employers are looking for and information about the apprenticeship application processes. The day is suitable for students who are on track to meet the entry requirements for apprenticeship places which can be viewed at [THIS LINK](#). Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis - if places are oversubscribed, we may need to do a lucky dip to select students. For further information about the trip and to request a place, please see the link below to the letter that has been given out. The deadline for the return of completed consent forms is Tuesday 5 June.

[Y10 Rolls Royce Careers Day](#)

Y11 GCSE Music revision fun!

A revision session full of listening activities, past papers, games and much more will take place on Friday 1 June, between 10 - 12pm and then 1 - 3.30pm.

Year 11 GCSE Music students can opt to come to either session on the day or both sessions; confectionary and refreshments will be provided. To assist with further revision and home learning, please click on the Music department blog, which has an up to date overview of content, keywords and helpful revision resources: <http://musorevision.blogspot.co.uk/>



Other useful links are available on @cabotmusic twitter

I hope to see all 25 of you on Friday 1 June! Miss Grierson 🎵🎵

Kindness postcards

Students have been thanking each other and teachers for acts of kindness each term.

This term, the most common thank you messages were for:

- Friendship
- Help through difficult times
- Support from teachers
- Fun & laughter
- Appreciation for "being you"

Below are the names of students and staff who have received postcards this term.

AJ Swanepoel
Amber Witcombe
Baran Cil
Benjamin Cooper
Blossom Andrews
Callie Brooks-Davis
Carlos Gardner
Carrie-Anne Maccabee
Connor Francis
Ella-Mae Hemmings
Emily Bishop
Faith Muga
Grace Veitch
Gurleen Marok
Harry Bowley
Hubert Zagorzycki
Ilwad Omar

James Phillips
Jessi Sewell
Jessica Swanepoel
Jessie Whittle
Kerenza Rogers
Kian Ryan
L'Mea Myles
Layla Harris
Leah Sutherland
Lennon Pointer
Louis Horne
Matt Say
Miss Andreu
Miss Baker
Miss Grierson
Miss McMatson

Miss Shipp
Mr Bridges
Mr Coe
Mr Dell
Mr Foster
Mr Milo
Mr Thomas
Mr Titterington
Mr Wilson
Mrs Grainger
Mrs Jarrett
Mrs Murphy
Neave Powell
Piper Iles
Platon Klevs
Shayley Lovell
Tilly Dowling

Dates for the Diary

Below are a number of key dates into the near future that parents may wish to be aware of:

Years	Event
All years	Term 6 begins, Monday 4 June w/c Monday 4 June is week 1 on the timetable New Y7 Welcome Evening, Thursday 14 June CLF Battle of the Bands event, Thursday 21 June New Year 7 Induction Day, Tuesday 26 June CLF Athletics Event, Friday 29 June Sports Day, Wednesday 4 July CLF Conference/Inset Day, Friday 6 July – all CLF academies closed Summer Music Concert, Wednesday 18 July
Year 7	Y7 Drama Festival, Tuesday 3 July Y7 Music Festival, Wednesday 11 July
Year 8	Y8 Career Footsteps Day, Monday 9 July
Year 9	Y9 Future Quest visit to Bristol University, Wednesday 20 June
Year 10	Y10 Future Quest Celebration Evening, Tuesday 19 June Y10 Business trip to Cadbury World, Thursday 5 July Y10 Future Quest trip to Houses of Parliament, Monday 9 July
Year 11	GCSE exams on Y11 Leavers Assembly, Friday 15 June Y11 Prom at Bath Racecourse, Friday 29 June
Sixth Form	Y13 Prom, Friday 29 June

Lost Property

We currently have the following items of lost property on reception:

Black Puma drawstring bag with PE kit	Black Slazenger coat
Black FitBit watch	Grey and black Adidas puffer jacket
Black 'North Face' hoodie	Black Helly Hansen Coat
Dark grey Regatta Great Outdoors coat with fur around the hood	Black zip up hoodie
Orange drinks bottle	Cream coat with fur around the hood
Plain black pencil case	Black Montare jacket with green zips
Black and white pencil case with 'M' on it	Miss Selfridge Green jacket with fur on hood
Black F & F jacket	Black Nike Jacket
Black Adidas cap	Purple Hype backpack
	Green YD coat with fur around the hood

Best wishes

Sally Apps
Executive Principal