

15th July 2026

Dear Parents & Carers

As we approach the end of the academic year at City Academy, I'd like to thank you all for your support this academic year. As a reminder, all students finish on Tuesday 21st July at 11.50am.

I'd like to take this opportunity to send home some key information and dates ahead of next year.

Staffing

As ever at the end of the academic year, we say goodbye to some of our colleagues who have worked hard to help our students, thank you to Raul Duesca - Sports Games Organiser, Ruth O'Neill – TA, Natalie Bucknall - Maths Teacher, Harrison Gookey - Second in Faculty, Science, Joseph Morrison - RE Teacher, Zack Brittain - Computer Science Teacher, Joseph Taylor - Music Teacher and Fernanda Lebelein Da Rosa Suco - Catering Assistant.

I would like to thank them all for their hard work and wish them luck in their new schools and roles. I am pleased to say we are fully staffed for September.

Newsletter

This terms Newsletter can be found here:

<https://cityacademybristol.clf.uk/wp-content/uploads/City-Academy-Newsletter-Term-6-July-2026.pdf>

Reminder of Timings of the school day

The timings are shown below, this has not changed:

MONDAY to FRIDAY	
Time	Session
8.30am - 8.40am	Gates open for students to arrive
8.40am – 9.00am	Tutor
9.00am – 9.50am	Session 1
9.50am -10.40am	Session 2
10.40am – 11.00am	Break
11.00am – 11.50pm	Session 3
11.50pm – 12.40pm	Session 4
12.40pm – 1.20pm	Lunch
1.20pm – 2.10pm	Session 5
2.10pm – 3.00pm	Session 6
3.00pm onwards	Extra Curricular Clubs

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Year Group Staffing

I am pleased to confirm that the following pastoral staff have responsibility for the year groups as follows:

Year 7

Mr Tom Fudge - Associate Assistant Principal
Mr Chris Taylor - Pastoral Support Lead
Ms Vanessa Benjamin - Pastoral Support Officer

Year 8

Mr Jim McKitterick - Associate Assistant Principal
Ms Tina Bailey - Pastoral Support Lead
Ms Mikealia Inglis - Pastoral Support Officer

Year 9

Ms Claire Rodgers - Associate Assistant Principal
Mr Eldean Johnson - Pastoral Support Lead
Ms Georgina Brown - Pastoral Support Officer

Year 10

Mr Aaron Stewart - Associate Assistant Principal
Ms Naomi Johnson - Pastoral Support Lead
Mr Calvin Nicholls - Pastoral Support Officer

Year 11

Mr Jason Clarkson - Associate Assistant Principal
Ms Michelle Rowe - Pastoral Support Lead
Ms Aliyah Douglas - Pastoral Support Officer

Term Dates 2026-2027

Term	Start	End
Autumn Term 1	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026
Autumn Term 2	Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026
Spring Term 3	Monday 4 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027
Spring Term 4	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027
Summer Term 5	Monday 12 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027
Summer Term 6	Monday 7 th June 2027	Friday 23 rd July 2027

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Key Dates

Students return to School

Year 7 – Monday 7th September 2026

Year 8, 9, 10, 11 – Tuesday 8th September 2026

INSET Days

Thursday 3rd September 2026

Friday 4th September 2026

Thursday 22nd October 2026

Friday 23rd October 2026

Monday 23rd November 2026

Monday 4th January 2027

Friday 12th February 2027

Friday 2nd July 2027

Other:

Monday 7th September 2026 – Year 7 Only – Year 7 First Day

Thursday 17th September 2026 – Year 6 Open Evening – CAB students finish school at 2.10pm

Friday 26th March 2027 - Bank Holiday

Monday 3rd May 2027 – Bank Holiday

Friday 23rd July 2027 - students finish school at 11.50am

Parent & Other Evenings

Year Group	Date
All Year Group Tutor Evening	Thursday 8 th October 2026
Year 7 Parents Evening	Thursday 15 th April 2027
Year 8 Parents Evening	Thursday 28 th January 2027
Year 9 Options Evening	Thursday 21 st January 2027
Year 9 Parents Evening	Thursday 4 th February 2027
Year 10 Parents Evening	Thursday 15 th July 2027
Year 11 Parents Evening	Thursday 3 rd December 2026
Year 11 Parents Evening	Thursday 18 th March 2027

Entrances to School

A reminder that students must use the following entrances according to their year groups:

- Year 7 & Year 8 – to use the student entrance gate near the Sports Hall
- Year 9, Year 10 & Year 11 – to use the student entrance gate by the staff car park next to the Venue (dining hall)

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Lockers

A reminder that our locker doors allow students to lock the locker using their own padlock. We will have a limited supply for sale, however we would suggest that you purchase one for your child to use. The padlocks need to be a maximum of 7mm shackle.

Current Year 11 Exam Collection Information

Result day for current Year 11 students is Thursday 20th August. Students can come and collect their results from 10am to 12pm in the theatre. Just a reminder that these results will be provisional. This means that there is a certain time when exam grades could still change, through re-marking or the appeals process, although this is very rare.

Students will be asked to sign a form if they give permission for remarks or exam scripts to be used for teaching and learning.

If a student is unable to collect their examination results in person due to a family holiday, or other circumstances which prevent them from attending the centre on results day, a representative can be nominated to collect their results on their behalf. This request needs to be made in writing to silvia.jacob@clf.uk clearly detailing the person who will be collecting their examination results. This individual should also bring a form of photographic identification when collecting the results.

Students can collect their actual certificates from school from Monday 23rd November until 1st May 2027. Students need to do this in person or send an email to silvia.jacob@clf.uk stating that a family member has permission to collect them on their behalf. Unclaimed certificates will be kept for a period of 12 months from the date of issue. We do not keep copies of certificates, so these must be kept safe by the student as replacement certificates will be charged for by the exam boards.

Uniform

Thank you for your support in ensuring our students are meeting our high expectations about school uniform. We wish to continue to build a culture where all students take pride in their presentation to show they are ready for their day of learning. As you will see below, we have taken on board student and parent feedback, and our uniform policy allows plain black trainers to be worn. Crocs or sandals are not allowed.

To clarify, full school uniform students require is as follows:

- **City Academy Tie** – purchase from Price and Buckland
- **City Academy Black Jumper** – purchase from Price and Buckland
- **White shirt/blouse** – can be purchased anywhere
- **Black Trousers or knee length skirt** – can be purchased anywhere
- **Black shoes or plain black trainers** – can be purchased anywhere

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The website for Price & Buckland is here - <https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/cityacademy>

The school PE Kit we require is as follows:

- Red long socks
- Red PE T shirt or polo shirt with school logo – purchase from Price and Buckland
- Red PE jumper or long-sleeved games top
- Black shorts or black skirt
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms or plain black sports
- Trainers and football boots with studs or moulded studs – can be purchase anywhere but must be suitable for 4G pitches.

Students should also have:

- A Yondr Phone Pouch in your child brings a phone to school – one has been provided to all students, parents are responsible to purchase a replacement if lost or damaged.
- A bag large enough to fit an A4 sized textbook
- A pencil case containing pens, pencils, a rubber, a sharpener and a ruler
- A scientific calculator

Summer Safety

Throughout the summer, children and families are encouraged to visit <https://www.bristolsafeguardingineducation.org/staying-safe-out-of-school/>

This page contains resources for parents/ carers, teenagers and younger children on how to keep themselves safe over summer, both in the community and online.

Community members are also advised to report any community concerns or tensions using the form on this webpage <https://www.bristolsafeguardingineducation.org/local-safeguarding-services/community-safety-teams/community-safety-share-information-tactical/>

Summer Bus Travel

For the month of August, all children under 16 can travel for free on buses across the West of England (WECA scheme). No ticket or pass is required – we are encouraging families to plan activities using public transport to keep children mobile, included, and supervised

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MCAS Parent App and Payments

All parents are required to have a MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) account. You can access the account either via the App or the website.

Here is a link to the letter which explains how to register for an account if you do not already have one:
[MCAS Letter](#)

From September, we will no longer be using Parent Pay.

All payments for lunch, snacks, trips and other items will be done via My Child as School (MCAS).

Any balances on Parent Pay will be transferred automatically to MCAS so there is no need to do anything if you have an MCAS account.

If you do experience any problems signing up or with the app, please contact us using the following email cabinfo@clf.uk and give your name, your child's name and your email address, or you can come into City Academy reception at any time and we will help you.

In August we will send information home on how to make payments via the MCAS app or website. You will be able to do this from the last week in August.

Free School Meals – Changes for the 2026 to 2027 Academic Year

From September 2026, children in households receiving Universal Credit will be eligible for Free School Meals with no income limit.

You will need to apply via the Bristol City Council website – this is now open to apply and we would encourage you to apply as soon as possible – the quickest and easiest way to apply is online here:
<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/schools-learning-and-early-years/travel-and-free-school-meals/free-school-meals>

If you need any support to apply, please contact us.

If your child is currently receiving free school meals, there is nothing you need to do, Bristol City Council will verify if you still qualify and if there are any issues they will contact you.

School Lunch Cost

There will be a price increase from September for students lunch.

Meal & Dessert - £2.75

Meal Only - £2.45

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Return to School

We look forward to seeing all students in September.

Our new Year 7s return to school on Monday 7th September 2026 – on this day, please can Year 7s go to the Sports Hall entrance to be registered.

All other year groups return on Tuesday 8th September 2026.

Thank you for all your support this year, have a wonderful summer.



Ben Tucker
Principal, City Academy

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