

2nd July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

INSET Day – Friday 3rd July

A reminder that tomorrow it is INSET day, so City Academy is closed to students. All students return on Monday 6th July.

Mobile Phone Pouches

As you will be aware, on Monday July 6th City Academy is moving to a pouch system for mobile devices.

We are looking forward to the positive changes we are confident we will see for our whole school community.

I have linked a copy of the presentation we gave to all students today in assemblies as a reminder of our expectations which you can see here <https://cityacademybristol.clf.uk/wp-content/uploads/Assembly-Yondr-Pouches.pdf>

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 – however this is not yet open under the new scheme. We will be writing home as soon as Bristol City Council inform us it is open.

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.

My Child at School (MCAS) and Parent Pay

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.

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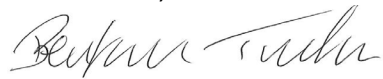
If you have not already signed up – please can you ensure you do so as soon as possible. We require ALL parents and carers to have an MCAS account.

Instructions can be found here: <https://cityacademybristol.clf.uk/wp-content/uploads/Letter-to-All-Parents-MCAS-Launch-27th-February-2025-1.pdf>

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.

Best wishes,



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