

3rd September 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

As we are about to start the new academic year at City Academy, I'd like to take this opportunity to send home some key information and dates and other important information.

Our new Year 7s return to school on Wednesday 4th September 2024 – on this day, please can Year 7s go to the Sports Hall entrance to be registered at 8.30am. Year 7s will be given a free break time snack as well as free lunch on this day, they are welcome to bring a packed lunch if they prefer. We will send a Parent Pay letter home to parents with their child on Wednesday so parents can register a Parent Pay account for paying for lunch and food items.

All other year groups return to school on Thursday 5th September 2024 at 8.30am.

Entrances to School

A reminder that students need to 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)

Welcome to New Staff

We are pleased to introduce the following members of staff who have joined City Academy this September:

- Clarice Jopling – Assistant Principal, joining us from Snowdon Village Academy
- Kerrie Cleaves – Teacher of science
- Manal Sh Farah – Teacher of English
- Zack Britton - Teacher of Business and Computer Science
- Stephan Everton – Teacher of Maths
- Miguel Angel Quintero Valencia – Teacher of MFL
- Paul Hunter – Teacher of Maths
- Ridwan Axmed – Teacher of Maths
- Callum Davies – Teacher of Maths
- Joseph Taylor – Teacher of Music
- Spike Everleigh – Teaching Assistant

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Lockers

This summer, we have replaced the locker doors with new ones that allow students to lock the locker using their own padlock. All students will be issued with a numbered locker, which they can use with their own padlock. Please purchase a lock for your child to use. The padlock should be a shackle lock with a 7mm shackle. An example is here: <https://www.screwfix.com/p/smith-locke-laminated-steel-water-resistant-padlock-45mm/2430x>

Parent Academy Councillors

We currently have a vacancy for an Academy Councillor and you are very welcome to put your name forward should you wish to stand for election. Much like a Governing Body, the Academy Council's role is to ensure your children learn in a safe environment and to the maximum of their ability.

For full information and a form to complete, please see the link below. Paper forms are available from reception. Any forms need to be returned to the Academy by Monday 16th September 2024.

<https://cityacademybristol.clf.uk/letters/academy-parent-councillor-vacancy-letter-sept-24/>

Timings of the school day

A reminder of our new timings of the school day:

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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Term Dates 2024-2025

Term	Start	End
Autumn Term 1	Monday 2 nd September 2024	Friday 25 th October 2024
Autumn Term 2	Monday 4 th November 2024	Friday 20 th December 2024
Spring Term 3	Monday 6 th January 2025	Friday 14 th February 2025
Spring Term 4	Monday 24 th February 2025	Friday 4 th April 2025
Summer Term 5	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Friday 23 rd May 2025
Summer Term 6	Monday 2 nd June 2025	Tuesday 22 nd July 2025

Key Dates

<p>Students return to School Year 7 – Wednesday 4th September 2024 Year 8, 9, 10, 11 – Thursday 5th September 2024</p> <p>INSET Days Monday 2nd September 2024 Tuesday 3rd September 2024 Thursday 24th October 2024 Friday 25th October 2024 Monday 6th January 2025 Monday 24th February 2025 Friday 4th July 2025 Monday 7th July 2025</p> <p>Other: Wednesday 4th September 2024 – Year 7 Only – Year 7 First Day Thursday 19th September 2024 – Year 6 Open Evening – CAB students finish school at 2.10pm Friday 20th December 2024 – students finish school at 11.50am Friday 4th April 2025 - students finish school at 11.50am Monday 21st April 2025 – Bank Holiday Monday 5th May 2025 – Bank Holiday Tuesday 22nd July 2025 - students finish school at 11.50am</p>
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Parent & Other Evenings

Year Group	Date
All Year Group Tutor Evening	Thursday 3 rd October 2024
Year 7 Parents Evening	Thursday 24 th April 2025
Year 8 Parents Evening	Thursday 6 th February 2025
Year 9 Options Evening	Thursday 16 th January 2025
Year 9 Parents Evening	Thursday 1 st May 2025
Year 10 Parents Evening	Thursday 13 th February 2025
Year 11 Parents Evening	Thursday 5 th December 2024
Year 11 Parents Evening	Thursday 3 rd April 2025

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Bromcom and Parent App

As you are aware, last year we changed our management information system (MIS) to Bromcom. Our MIS underpins all aspects of the school's data processing systems. This has been a successful transition and a lot of work has been undertaken in the background to ensure our data is correct and the system is working successfully.

The next stage is to launch the parent portal and App, called MyChildAtSchool (MCAS). This will allow parents to view their child's academic performance in real-time and access to your child's Attendance, Timetable, Assessment and Behaviour.

In Term 1 next year, you will receive an email link so that you can set up for your account and access the portal. As you will be sent the Invitation Code via the email that the school has for you on our system.

Uniform

Thank you for your support in ensuring our students are meeting our high expectations about school uniform.

Uniform Requirements

The full school uniform students require is as follows:

- City Academy Tie - purchased online from Price & Buckland
- City Academy branded school jumper - purchased online from Price & Buckland
- White shirt/blouse – can be purchased anywhere
- Black Trousers or skirt – can be purchased anywhere
- Black shoes or plain black trainers – can be purchased anywhere
- Optional - City Academy Black Blazer available online from Price & Buckland

The school PE Kit we require is as follows:

- A red City Academy branded PE t-shirt - purchased online from Price & Buckland
- Red long socks – can be purchased anywhere
- Black shorts or black skirt - can be purchased anywhere
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms or plain black sports - can be purchased anywhere
- Trainers and football boots with studs or moulded studs – can be purchased anywhere but must be suitable for 4G pitches.
- Optional - City Academy Red PE sweatshirt or reversible sports top available online from Price & Buckland

The link to purchase the 3 compulsory items is <https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/schools/city-academy-bristol.html>

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Students must also have:

- A bag large enough to fit an A4 sized textbook
- A pencil case containing pens, pencils, a rubber, a sharpener and a ruler
- A calculator

You should already be receiving regular emails from our CABinfo@clf.uk address. If you are not, this means we do not have an up to date email address for you – can you please email CABinfo@clf.uk as soon as possible with your name, child's name and your email address, and we will ensure this is updated.

We look forward to another successful year at City Academy.

Best wishes,



Ben Tucker
Principal, City Academy

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