



JFAN Connector

19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all the Year 7 parents that attended our 'meet the tutor evening'. They have settled in well to their new school so a big 'well done' goes out to all of our Year 7 students after completing their first three weeks at JFAN. We have started to welcome families of Year 6 students for day-time tours to support them make their decision regarding secondary school choices. As I walk around with our guests I am delighted to see our young people focused and learning in all the lessons I visit. I would like to thank parents and carers for ensuring their children are now fully equipped for their lessons each day; it is really noticeable that we have nearly 100% of students with all the equipment they need on their desks, every lesson. I am looking forward to sharing our new vision, values and school priorities with parents next week; please do come along if you can.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Warwick

Academy Principal

Working in Partnership with Parents and Carers



Information Evenings

Just a reminder we would like to invite parents and carers into the academy to attend a presentation from the Principal, Mrs Warwick, to launch the new academic year. During the presentations our guests will hear about our academy mission, vision and new values alongside our priorities for this year. So that we can ensure there are enough seats for everyone we will give this presentation over a number of sessions. If you cannot make your allocated session, please don't worry, simply attend another that is more convenient. This event is for parents and carers only, as the students have already listened to a welcome back presentation. However, if you need your child to come along they will be able to sit in the Great Hall during this time. This will become an annual event to start each academic year.

Date	Year Group and time
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Monday 22nd September	Year 7 - 5:00 pm
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Monday 22nd September	Year 8 - 6:00 pm
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Tuesday 23rd September Year 9/10 - 5:00 pm

Tuesday 23rd September Year 10/11 - 6:00 pm

Parent Partners

We can now confirm that the first Parent Partners will be on Tuesday 21st October at 6:00 pm. As launched last week this event will take place each half term and it is an opportunity for parents and carers to come in and hear a presentation from a member of the Senior Team or a member of staff. This gives us a chance to come together to work on an aspect of school improvement such as communication, progress reporting to parents or our inclusion culture. This discussion is open to all parents and carers as a school improvement focus. I will also ask parents to send in any questions they would like answered before the event and I will do this during the evening. We will be sending out a form for parents to register next week.

Aspirational Lecture

The first lunchtime aspirational lecture took place in the Great Hall on Wednesday. It was well attended by students interested in studying biology at A level and beyond. The Master's graduate students presented their research projects on the topics of glioblastoma inhibition and bacteriophages.

The next lecture will be on Thursday 25th September at 1:30: Experiences of language and music whilst travelling.

Reminders

Assembly themes and tutor time routines

Here is a quick update on a key aspects of our academy culture that parents and carers may find useful; this week's focus is assemblies and tutor time. The students have assembly each week with their Head of Year or a visiting speaker; this week the theme was the importance of attendance delivered by Mr Fitzgerald. Next week we are using assembly time to launch our new Students Leadership. Students come into assembly very well, respecting the formal nature of assemblies. A tutor schedule is in place for each year group; during this time, alongside their equipment and uniform checks, students partake in activities linked to careers, study skills development and reading.

Attendance



Attendance Update

Please find below attendance for each year group for the week commencing 8th September. As a reminder we would be expecting each year group to be over 97% each week.

Congratulations to year 7 who despite some illnesses have had a really strong start to term with a fantastic 97.2% attendance.

Year 7 – 97.2%

Year 8 – 95%

Year 9 – 91.54

Year 10 – 92.40

Year 11 – 94.20

Enrichment



At our Academy, we believe that co-curricular activities are an essential part of a well-rounded education. They offer a range of benefits that support our students in developing aspiration, showing respect, and building a strong sense of responsibility. Through participating in these activities, students are encouraged to:

- Aspire to reach their full potential by exploring new interests and talents
- Show respect by working collaboratively with peers and staff in a positive and inclusive environment
- Take responsibility for their own personal growth and learning beyond the classroom

Co-curricular involvement also helps to:

- Enhance academic performance
- Boost self-esteem and emotional well-being
- Provide meaningful social opportunities
- Develop essential life and leadership skills

- Strengthen applications for sixth form, college, or university

We are proud to offer a wide and diverse range of clubs this term, and we hope your child will take full advantage of these opportunities—to aspire confidently, act with respect, and grow with responsibility.

The full timetable is available on our website [here](#).

Dates for the diary coming up...



Monday 22nd September Information Evening Year 7 5.00 pm. Year 8 6.00 pm

Tuesday 23rd September Information Evening Year 9/10 5.00 pm. Year 10/11 6.00 pm

Tuesday 21st October Parent Partners 6.00 pm

Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October - Half Term

Friday 28th November INSET Day - Academy closed to pupils

Friday 19th December - End of Autumn Term

JFAN PTA



Now known as JFAN PTA, formerly referred to as the Newport Parents Association (NPA), is a registered charity (289783). Our mission is to bring together those with parental responsibilities and teaching staff to raise vital funds to buy items or provide support for JFAN students not covered by the school budget. For example, our recent projects include; upgrading the library, updates to the medical room, therapy and counselling sessions, provision of sport and dance equipment and covering costing for travel to career events.

We need three types of volunteers:

Firstly, you can sign up as an Events Volunteer, sparing just an hour or two at a school event or uniform sale.

Secondly, new Committee Member Volunteers, we meet on a 6-weekly basis in our local waterhole, allocating funds, brainstorming ideas on fundraising and finalising arrangements for events with the PTA Board members.

Lastly, we are looking to recruit to our new Supportive Volunteer roles, to work in the background, helping to improve our income generation, these roles include; social media, website administrator, graphic design and researcher for grants and local community funding. If these are areas that you work within or are interested in – **We Need You!!**

If you're interested in getting involved and would like to find out more, please contact our chair Kerinda Trigg via the academy's administration email address.

jfaadmin@joycefrankland.org

JFAN PTA **Uniform sales** take place on the first Saturday of the month at Newport Farmers Market.

Easyfundraising

The JFAN PTA have recently joined Easy fundraising, the UK's biggest charity shopping site and now need your help. Easyfundraising partners with over 8,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend online to the Academy. It won't cost you any extra, the cost is covered by the brand. All you need to do is sign up [here](#) and provide a few details to set up your profile and download the app. You will be notified automatically when you shop to let you know when a donation is available.

Safeguarding Team



Role:	Name and contact details:
Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)	Lee Gamble lgamble@joycefrankland.org
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Chair of Governors	Nigel Poad
Trust Safeguarding Lead	Camilla Saunders
School Online Safety Lead	Lee Gamble
School Prevent Lead	Dan Langley
Designated teacher for Children in Care and children previously in care (CiC)	Lee Gamble
Senior Mental Health Lead	Emma Brockwell and Dan Langley

 JFA Whisper Report
AnonymousReportingForm

Joyce Frankland Academy, Newport

PROBLEM? Whisper

If you have a problem or concern in school or at home, you can report it to a member of staff anonymously.




When To Report...

- You or a friend are being bullied
- You are concerned for a student's welfare
- A student, member of staff, or parent has behaved inappropriately
- You need to talk to someone about a problem
- Suggestion for changes or improvements in school

Report via SMS or visit:

<https://swgfl.org.uk/whisper/jfa21/>

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Vacancies



Details for all the current Academy and Anglian Learning vacancies can be found on our website [here](#)

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