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Wednesday 8th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

We hope that all our families have had a wonderful Easter break. It has been so lovely to see the sunshine, and the good weather is set to continue for the first week of the summer term. Over the Easter break, we have been reviewing the projects produced by the KS3 students and we would like to once again congratulate our students for producing such amazing pieces of work.

Well done to Saxie for winning the House Cup for the Spring Term. The House Points are reset for the start of the Summer term.

We are looking forward to welcoming staff and students back on **Monday 13 April**. All students will have an extended tutor period on the first morning back. Returning to school routines after a break can take time for both students and staff, and this is one of the supportive strategies we have in place to ensure the academy makes a strong start to the new term.

A key part of this is our whole-academy assembly, during which we revisit our academy values and explore how these values are demonstrated in action.

Aspiration	Respect	Responsibility
Striving to achieve our aspirational goals and dreams, today, tomorrow and in the future.	Always showing compassion, kindness and consideration.	Always being the best version of ourselves.

Request for parents and carer support – uniform and equipment

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of the importance of students returning to school in the correct uniform and with a full set of equipment. In the main, our students look smart and wear their badge with pride. However, following a school break, it is important that we continue to work in partnership to ensure our high standards are maintained.

Our [Uniform and Equipment Policy](#) is available on the website for reference. There are a few points we would particularly like to highlight as we move into the summer term.

Jewellery and Nails

Students may wear one small pair of earrings and a watch; other jewellery should be left at home. We are aware that some students may choose to have their nails done over the Easter break. Please ensure that these are removed before students return to school. We kindly ask that students are not permitted to have nails that cannot be removed for several weeks.

Blazers

Students should continue to bring their blazer to school every day. They are not required to always wear them and may remove them during lessons. Blazers should not be rolled up or stored in bags. During particularly hot weather, we will introduce ‘no blazer days’ and will communicate this clearly with students and parents when appropriate.

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Equipment and Pencil Cases

At the end of last term, we noticed that some students' pencil cases were missing essential items.

Please ensure equipment is replenished ready for the start of term. We have a small shop in Reception where students can purchase missing items for a small donation.

As always, please contact us if you have any concerns about purchasing uniform or equipment. We are happy to support where needed.

Water bottles

All students must bring a water bottle to school every day. Bottles can be refilled at our water fountains during break and lunchtime. We are unable to provide cups, as this creates unnecessary cost and waste. Students are not permitted to leave lessons to collect water, as this disrupts learning time. In line with our academy values, students are expected to take responsibility for bringing their bottle and refilling it at break and lunch.

Mobile phones

We are a mobile phone and personal device-free academy. This means students must not use their mobile phone from arrival on site in the morning until they leave at the end of the school day. During the Spring term, we have seen an increase in phones being confiscated. We will be writing to parents and carers next week with details of our **phone pouch strategy**, which will be introduced later in the summer term.

Weekly JFAN Connector

Please ensure you read the **JFAN Connector** each week. This is an invaluable communication tool in strengthening our partnership between home and school. We have not yet reached our target of more than 75% readership. The Connector is distributed every Friday via the MCAS app and is also available on our [website](#). If you have not received your MCAS invitation email, please contact the school office at jfaadmin@joycefrankland.org. Additional guidance on using the MCAS app can be found on our website.

We are very much looking forward to a positive and productive summer term. We would like to end by wishing all our Year 11 and Year 13 students the very best as we begin the exam season.

Kind regards

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