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Dear Parents and Carers

We hope that all our families have had an amazing summer break.

Although JFAN has been closed to students, we have been busy with development work throughout the six weeks, as well as welcoming Year 11 and Sixth Form students back for results days.

This letter provides parents, carers and students with a polite reminder about uniform and equipment, alongside a few updates, to help all students make a strong start to the Spring term.

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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.

Student return schedule

Year 7 students begin at JFAN on Thursday 3rd September; we have sent a separate letter to Year 7 parents and carers.

Students in Years 8-11 start back on Friday 4th September. On Friday, students will attend structured sessions during which they will receive their new timetables, planners, and other important schedules. Please can we ask parents and carers to ensure their child attends this important induction day. Students will take time to set up their new exercise books, so please ask your child/ren to bring an additional bag, as they will be bringing all their books home on Friday.

Timetabled lessons

Timetabled lessons begin in full on Monday 7th September; **this will be a timetable for Week 1.**

Students will receive a copy of their timetable on Friday, and they will also copy it into their new planners.

Request for parents and carer support – uniform and equipment

Please can all parents and carers ensure their child returns in the new year in the correct uniform and with a full set of equipment. We sent our Uniform and Equipment Policy last term, and it is available on the website [here](#) for reference; we have also attached a copy to this letter.

There are a few aspects that we would like to draw your attention to:

- **Mobile Phone Pouch:** Please ensure your child has their mobile phone pouch. If they do not have a pouch, they must leave their phone at home; JFAN is a mobile-free school.
- **Jewellery:** Please ensure your child only wears small 'stud style' earrings, and they can wear a watch. All other jewellery items must be left at home.

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- **Nails:** We are aware that some students may take the opportunity to have their nails done (acrylics/gels etc) over the summer break. Please can we ask that these are removed before they return.
- **Equipment and pencil cases:** Please can we ask that parents/carers check their child has a full set of equipment in a pencil case. Every student needs to be ready to learn every lesson. We have a small shop in Reception where students can obtain any missing items for a small donation.
- **Socks:** Students must wear dark coloured socks.
- **Football/Rugby balls:** These should not be brought into the academy; we provide these at lunchtime.

As always, please do get in touch if you have any concerns regarding purchasing uniform items. We can support in this regard.

House Cup

Well done to Caius House for winning the House Cup last year 2025-26.

Weekly JFAN Connector

We will send out the first JFAN Connector of the academic year on Friday 11th September. We ask parents and carers to read the JFAN Connector each week, as it is an invaluable communication tool to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

Parent and Carer Handbook

We have developed a new Parent and Carer Handbook; this provides detailed information regarding all aspects of learning and academy life at JFAN. This handbook is available on the website using this [link](#). Please do contact the academy if you would like a printed copy. Copies are available at Reception.

Parent Information Evenings – dates for your diary

We will be holding an information evening at the start of the academic year for each year group. The dates for these are provided in the table below. We will send more information closer to the event.

Year group	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Information Evening date	Tuesday 15 th September		Wednesday 16 th September		Tuesday 29 th September

Open Evening – date for your diary

The opening evening date is early in the academic year. On Thursday 24th September, all students will finish school at the earlier time of 1:00 pm so staff can prepare to welcome guests later that day.

Kind regards

Mrs Warwick
Principal

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