

# COLASP



## WEEKLY BULLETIN

### KEY DATES

**28<sup>th</sup> April** - Yr 9 Options evening

**4<sup>th</sup> May** - Bank Holiday

**14<sup>th</sup> May** - Yr 12 Parents Evening UCAS

**Additional studies resumes  
Autumn term September 2026**

# TERM DATES

## TERM DATES 2025/2026

### Summer Term

**4<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday**

**Half Term 25th - 29th May**

8th June - Pastoral Day & Year 6 Admission Interviews/ School closed

26th June - Trust INSET Day/ School closed

2nd & 3rd July - INSET Days/ School closed

17th July - Last day of term



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# AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

## 3:30PM - 4:30PM



### MONDAYS

DIT/ Study Club - Year 11  
Homework Club

### TUESDAYS

Additional studies - Years 7 - 10  
DIT/ Study Club - Year 11

### WEDNESDAYS

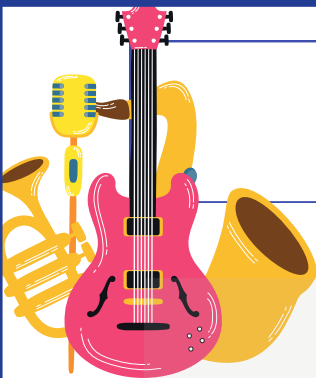
Year 9 & 10 Girls Football (CSP)  
Year 7 & 8 Girls football (SKA)  
Combined Cadets Force CCF - Year 9 Cadets (EFO + BST)  
15:15 - 18:00 at City of London Academy Islington  
DIT/ Study Clubs - Year 11  
Year 7 & 8 Junior Choir (HCA)  
Year 9-13 Senior Choir 4:15pm - 5pm  
Homework Club

### THURSDAYS

Year 8 Boys football (CSP)  
Sparx club  
KS3 & 4 Netball Club (AGT)  
DIT/ Study Club - Year 11  
Homework Club  
KS3 History HW Club (JCA)

### FRIDAYS

Year 9 boys Football (SKA)  
KS3 & 4 Pickleball (AGT/AKI)  
DIT/ Study Clubs - Year 11  
Homework Club



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# TOP MERIT WINNERS

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE STUDENTS LISTED BELOW:

1ST	2ND	3RD
Chardonnay Salmon (Year 7)	Oliver Newson (Year 7)	Deniz Sahan (Year 7)
George Baffour- Awuah (Year 8)	Nell JOHNSTON Year 8)	Edward Paiu (Year 8)
Zehra Mei Dennys- McClure (Year 9)	Emma Brew (Year 9)	Paula Head-Ilias (Year 9)
Nurie Peposhi (Year 10)	Samantha Mone (Year 10)	Ada Uzun (Year 10)
Daisy Dede Beasley (Year 11)	Angel Guachamin Toca (Year 11)	Shernaz Prospere (Year 11)

# TOP ATTENDANCE WINNERS

W/C 27TH APRIL 2026



**GOLD**  
**99.00 8AL%**



**SILVER**  
**99.31 9AL%**



**BRONZE**  
**98.50 11BI%**

## Changes to Free School Meal Eligibility from September 2026

### What is changing?

From the start of the 2026/27 academic year (September 2026), the Department for Education is expanding FSM eligibility to include all households in receipt of Universal Credit.

Previously, households receiving Universal Credit had to have an annual net earned income of less than £7,400 to qualify. This income cap is being removed.

### What this means for you

If you are in receipt of Universal Credit regardless of your earnings you will likely be entitled to claim free school meals for your children from September 2026.

### Do I need to do anything now?

While entitlement is expanding, you will still be required to submit an application to receive the free meals however for now, we would be grateful if you could complete the short form below so that we can understand how many of our parent/carers are already in receipt of universal credit and may soon become eligible for Free School Meals.

<https://forms.gle/tDBSbxbFyfiMP3c86>

**Please complete the form by Monday 11th May 2026.**

# COLASP NEWS

Hi All,

We wanted to draw your attention to a series of online and in-person engagement events being hosted by the Department to support the SEND formal consultation.

These events are open to anyone with an interest in SEND reform, including:

**Parents and carers**  
**Local Authorities**  
**Schools, early years and further education settings**  
**Health and social care colleagues**

There are several online events and the London in-person event will take place on 13 May in Westminster. Please do consider signing up and sharing this information within your local areas and networks.

There is also a parents and carers only event taking place tomorrow at 18:00, with Minister Gould. You may wish to share this with your PCFs in case they have not already been made aware.

Further details, including registration, can be found here – SEND reform - Department for Education - Citizen Space

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/send-reform/>

Vulnerable Children's Unit  
London Regions Group

# Punctuality and Attendance

We would like to remind parents/carers of the importance of regular and punctual attendance at school. Our school day begins promptly at **8:37 am** and AM registers close at **9:15 am**.

**If your child arrives after 9:15 am, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence for the entire morning session, in line with our school attendance policy and DFE guidelines.**

**1 day off school unauthorised, amounts to 2 unauthorised absences due to the legal requirements of a AM and PM register mark in a school day.**

**Please note medical evidence is required for all illnesses to be authorised.** This includes prescriptions, appointment cards, medication or confirmation from a medical professional. Without medical evidence all absences will be recorded as unauthorised. If a student arrives when the gate has closed, they are late for school and will receive a punctuality detention.

Detentions will be set for the following day after the student is late.

...the 1st time that half term: **Yellow (20 minutes)** detention the next day

...the 2nd time that half term: **Amber (40 minutes)** detention the next day

...the 3rd time that half term: **Red (80 minutes)** detention the next day

...more than 3 times that half term, they will receive a **red (80 minutes)** detention the next day

...after 9:15am the student will receive an **Amber (40 minutes)** detention

# UNIFORM

## **ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR THE FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM AND PROFESSIONALLY PRESENT THEMSELVES.**

- Academy blazer
- Academy jumper (compulsory during Autumn & Spring term)
- Academy blouse / long-sleeved shirt and tie (Yr 7-9 white/Yr 10-11 Blue)
- Academy ties are provided for sixth-form students
- Flat plain black school shoes\*
- Grey school skirt/trousers
- Plain black ankle socks or tights
- Academy rucksack - the only bag to be used for carrying school equipment such as books and a pencil case
- \*Boots, Kickers, and Dr Martin shoes are not permitted, and shoes must not have any branding. They must be black all over, including stitching and soles.

### **Additional/Optional Items**

- Academy winter jacket
- Year 7 - Navy or Royal Blue Academy coat
- Year 8 - 11 Navy or Royal Blue Academy coat or plain black coat (allowed between October - March only) - all trims and fur must be black. (Black denim, fur, and leather coats and hoodies are not permitted)
- Academy hat - Students are not permitted to wear their own hats to school.
- Extra rugby shirt or polo shirt
- Only plain black gloves, scarves, and umbrellas are allowed.
- Jumpers are optional in the summer term only.

### **Jewellery, hair, and make-up**

- No watches are to be worn except plain watches (no Smartwatches or fitness trackers).
- No jewellery is allowed other than plain metal studs. One small, plain metal (silver or gold), discreet stud in each ear.
- Hair must be tied back for PE, DT and science, and worn in a style appropriate to a business environment, without shaved lines.

# NOTICES

## BEHAVIOUR

The Behaviour Team provides daily support with parental enquiries about behaviour & detentions. To discuss your queries, please call the Academy on 020 3011 2162 and select **Option 3**; alternatively, you can email the behaviour team to support at **behaviour@shoreditch.colacola.org.uk** or at the end of the school day a member of the behaviour is in the reception from 3:30 till 4.

## LEADERSHIP SURGERY

Our daily Leadership Surgery is changing to an appointment-only booking system to minimise waiting times and ensure that all parents can be seen in a fair and systematised way. Slots are available **Tuesday-Friday** at **9am, 9.15am and 9.30am**. Please call reception or email **enquiries@shoreditch.colacola.org.uk** to book your slot, giving the name of your child and the reason you are requesting the meeting.

## MCAS APP

The MyChildAtSchool app allows you to view important information about your child, including attendance, behaviour events, parents' evening bookings, academic reports, term dates, and timetables.

For more information on how to access and use the app, please refer to our school website. If you need any support, please speak to our **Parental Engagement Officer** who will be happy to assist.

# **SEND / Safeguarding**

## **SENDCO**

If you think your child might have SEND, you should first contact their teachers to find out more about your child's attainment and progress. If your child's teacher has further concerns, they will make a referral to the Special educational needs and disabilities coordinator.

Support your child can receive:

Your child may be eligible for the following:

**SEN support - support given in school, like speech therapy**

Parents can send any documents/referrals directly to the SEN department.

**[SEND@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK](mailto:SEND@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK)**

**An education, health and care (EHC) plan - a plan of care for children and young people aged up to 25 who have more complex needs**

## **SAFEGUARDING**

The City of London Academy Shoreditch Park Safeguarding Team  
If you have any concerns about a child's welfare or safety, please speak to a member of the school's safeguarding team.

**MR IAN WHITE - DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD (DSL)**

**MR ANTHONY BLAZIE / MS IMAN HOWDEN - DEPUTY DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD (DDSL)**

**[SAFEGUARDING@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK](mailto:SAFEGUARDING@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK)**



If you need more urgent support, you can telephone  
ChildLine (number: 0800 1111) or  
text Shout (number: 85258)

