



15th March 2024

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Lower Four Interim Review

Interim Reviews are now available to view on the Parent Portal. Please refer to the College ParentPortal webpage or email portal@ladiescollege.ac.gg if you have any difficulties.

<http://www.ladiescollege.com/information/communication-to-parents#portal>

A copy of the Interim Review guidelines is attached. If you have any matters that you would like to discuss as a result of this review, please contact the subject teacher, form tutor or your daughter's Year Co-ordinator. Where "working towards" has been identified, we will already be looking at measures to be taken in school to address the situation.

Year Co-ordinator update

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support towards your daughter's time at The Ladies' College. Lower Four have had a busy and demanding academic year so far. It was a delight to see the whole year group support the team for the De Putron Challenge recently and I wish them all the best for the Trinity term and that they continue to be happy, healthy, and enjoying their time at The Ladies' College.

The tutor team is your first point of contact with college, so please feel free to email them directly or telephone reception to discuss any pastoral or academic needs.

School Examinations

A timetable with examination arrangements for the Summer examinations is included. This allows for revision time and students are encouraged to take breaks. These examinations are a useful way of evaluating progress over the girls' year at senior school. The written reports you will receive towards the end of the academic year will refer to the examination results in the context of each girl's overall effort and attainment in her subjects. The examinations should not be a cause of significant anxiety and, through our Future Ready Skills and other subject lessons, we have been encouraging the girls to prepare in a sensible, effective manner. Students should not be burning the midnight oil over revision; prioritising family time and a healthy sense of proportion is a vital life skill! Please support them in getting a balance into work/life issues and be mindful of any additional commitments which may add to what can be considered a stressful time. We have provided the timetable prior to Easter, as previously requested, without the expectation that students revise over Easter and to help with planning their time effectively.

Students with an examination access requirement involving a laptop should ensure that they bring in their device fully charged, as always, during the examination period.

Dates for your diary

Start of Trinity Term:

Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

Liberation Day: Thursday 9th May

School Examinations: 20th May – 24th May

Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May

Additional Holiday: Tuesday 28th May

INSET: Wednesday 29th May

Speech Day and Prize Giving: Friday 5th July

Speech Day Rehearsal at 08:00 at Beau Sejour and Speech Day and Prize Giving. 09:45. Prize winners will be notified by letter.

End of Term: Friday 5th July – 12:30 p.m. finish

I hope you and your daughter have an enjoyable and restful break over Easter.

Yours sincerely,

Maggie King

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Lower Four Year Co-ordinator



INTERIM GUIDELINES

Interim reviews for students will be available for you to access through the Parental Portal (via the app or web site) from today. Interims provide a snapshot of progress that helps students to set targets and understand their progress. This third Interim includes Attainment and Effort, as per previous Interims, along with an indication of the progress made.

Attainment is reported on a five-point scale as below:

Attainment grade	Remove	Other Year groups
High (H)	Consistently recall and apply relevant knowledge and skills within and across the topics of study.	Consistently recall and apply relevant knowledge and skills within and across the topics of study including that from previous years.
Very Good (VG)		
Good (G)	Can mostly recall and apply relevant knowledge and skills within, and <i>often</i> across, the topics of study.	Can mostly recall and apply relevant knowledge and skills within, and <i>often</i> across, the topics of study including that from previous years.
Fair (F)		
Working Towards (WT)	Can recall and apply some relevant knowledge and skills within and across the topics of study but requires significant support in some areas.	Can recall and apply some relevant knowledge and skills within and across the topics of study but requires significant support in some areas.

Effort is reported using the three-point scale of Exceeding Expectations (EE), Meeting Expectations (ME) and Working Towards (WT). Effort includes classwork and homework.

Progress is also reported using the three-point scale of Exceeding Expectations (EE), Meeting Expectations (ME) and Working Towards (WT).

If parents have any concerns with regards to the Interim feedback, please contact your daughter's Tutor in the first instance. Tutors and Year Coordinators do review the Interims and will be in touch as required. For other queries, please contact me hbarnes@ladiescollege.ac.gg

Yours sincerely,

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