

Remove Newsletter

Finding the balance

The tutors and I have been keeping a close eye on homework this half term, and the trickiest part of this, we think, is finding the balance for each girl. For some students, extra stretch and challenge is necessary but, at the same time, it is important not to overload individuals, especially when many of our girls have significant co-curricular commitments. We are grateful to you as parents for supporting the girls in all aspects of their education and please do not hesitate to contact Subject Teachers or Tutors if you are concerned that your daughter has too much or too little homework for her.

Illness

This is the time of year when we are all perhaps a bit more likely to be struck down by various ailments. Please do keep your daughter at home when she is unwell, so she can recuperate, and to prevent the spread of illness.

Some parents have asked whether work can be sent home for their daughter when she is unwell. As a general rule, we tend not to do this, unless the absence stretches over a prolonged period of time (over three days). Rest is vital to recovery and getting back to health must be the priority. It can also cause additional stress if work is sent home and your daughter lacks some necessary component,

perhaps her textbook or exercise book or whatever. We would much rather support someone in catching up once she is back in College. Form Tutors and Subject Teachers are always very willing to do this.

If an absence is more prolonged, we will liaise with parents and work out a manageable strategy in the particular circumstances.

Study Skills

If you have older daughters who have been through College, you will be aware that until recently, all girls sat formal examinations twice a year. For the current Remove, May will bring their first opportunity to sit Senior School examinations. In order to help prepare them for the process of sitting these papers, Mrs Hartley has developed a study skills and revision programme which we will be working through with the girls next term. Further guidance for parents will come then too.

I wanted to share just one further thought at this point which was made in a whole College assembly recently, which is that as a society, we need to be conscious of instilling in young women the courage to be brave,

in contrast to the pressure to be perfect. A clip from an American Ted Talk was used to illustrate this very well and the link if you are interested click [HERE](#).

Lockers

I am very pleased to report that we have found a new space for some Remove lockers and so from January the pressure in the small locker room should be significantly eased.

Road Safety

Please do bear in mind that pupils are not permitted to use the main entrance on Les Gravees





Excellent work has also recently been awarded to Amelia Le Prevost and Isabella Marren for building a timer in Science.

Netball

I was delighted to hear that the Remove Netball

Team won the recent Year 7 Island Tournament. They played with determination and great focus to score in excess of 60 goals. Pictured are: (back row) Fabienne Carpentier, Evie McGall, Robyn Surcombe, Harriet Clayton and Charlotte Howat (front row) Maisie Webster, Harriet Savident, Eve Whalley and Sophie Kent.

as a pedestrian because visibility can be poor. Please refrain from dropping off or collecting your daughter here. The Brock Road and Rocquettes Lane entrances are to be used instead.

Achievements

A Principal's Commendation was awarded earlier in the term to Amelia Le Prevost and Giselle Fuller.

And finally...

It has been a busy term and I am so proud of all the Removes for completing their first term at The Ladies' College Senior School. The last few days of Christmas activities are always enjoyable- we have already had a lovely Christingle service at which Lauren Walsh lit a candle of behalf of the year group. The Reverse Advent Calendars are coming along well (Remove X pictured) and there's lots more going on too.

I would like to wish all of you a very happy Christmas, a safe holiday and a wonderful New Year.

From Mrs Henderson

