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Dear Parents and Guardians of The Ladies' College

Happy New Year 2021.

It has been terrific to welcome pupils and students back to College at the start of the New Year. The term has got off to a quick start, as is the norm, and the news of Tier 5 lockdown in England has, I know, reinforced to us all how important it is that we continue to play our part in keeping our family and friends on Guernsey safe and well.

Our College community continues to show great resilience and, for our older students, the need to make the best of the situation in which they find themselves is being met with their customary determination and motivation. The best advice to them is to continue their work and with their planning for the mock examinations.

Our intention for them, and for the whole College, is to approach these challenges calmly and with a focus on achieving the best outcomes. We managed this with the pressure of the first lockdown and I am optimistic this can be done again, despite the cancellation of many GCSE and A-level examinations. Courses will continue as planned, students will continue to work and the opportunity for a little more thinking and planning time at the end of GCSE and A-level courses can be embraced as an opportunity arising from a necessity. Our students are so much more than examination results and the education we provide seeks to empower our young people to be lifelong learners, to cope with pressure, to be resilient, and to be the embodiment of our College motto: Fais ce que dois, advienne que pourra (Do what is right, come what may).

Staffing update

Parents may be aware from recent advertising that we had sought to appoint a new College Counsellor, to develop the fantastic work of Mrs Catherine Ogier in establishing our provision across the College. We had announced internally an appointment for January 2021, however a change in circumstances means that this individual can no longer join us. We are delighted, however, to confirm that Mrs Ogier will continue with us until we are able to recruit her successor

New teaching colleagues

We welcome Miss Fiona Le Tissier who will cover Mrs Roue's maternity leave in the Senior School.

Congratulations

Mrs Sophie Appelqvist, Remove Year Coordinator and Teacher of English, is expecting her second child and will go on maternity leave in the Trinity term.

Mrs Nicola Ingrouille is expecting her first child in the summer and will go on maternity leave at the end of the academic year.

Food Technology

We are delighted to announce the formal opening of our Food Technology building, where girls from Remove to Upper Four will be taught Food Technology and our Sixth Form and GCSE Art students will also have access to a Dark Room. The building will be known as The Ellershaw Centre, as a tribute to former Principal, Miss Ellershaw, who was evacuated with students from the College to Denbigh 75 years ago. As the building is on The Guild Field, and owned by the College, we feel this is a good way to recognise her unique role in the College's past. The Ellershaw Centre (TEC), will also be used by other pupils and students for co–curricular and enrichment activities

Car Park, drop off and pick up

Thank you for following the drop off and pick-up guidance for students in the Senior School and Sixth Form, as outlined below, which helps to ensure vehicles can come and go for drop-off of our younger pupils at Melrose.

- Parents/Guardians with Senior and Sixth Form students should not drive onto the College site from Monday to Thursday between the hours of 08:00 09:00 and 14:30 16:15 and on Friday 08:00 09:00 and 14:30 15.45. (Please note that these have been amended to make things easier, with a clear request that the times are adhered to).
- Please avoid obstructing the drive on Rocquettes Lane, which forms the entrance for students to
 College. This will allow students exiting by bicycle or moped to pull out while you are dropping
 off and will make pedestrian access safer for all. Our neighbours appreciate your consideration of
 their need to access their properties.

Weekly Bulletin and online calendar

Our weekly bulletin in the Senior School is now well-established, and you are encouraged to click the link to FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions). Please feel free to send us queries or questions which you feel would work well in this section of the bulletin. In addition to our weekly bulletin, we encourage you to visit: http://www.ladiescollege.com/diary for key dates, or access our calendar in full (from an iPad or iPhone) via these links:

How to (PDF):

http://www.ladiescollege.com/media/91650/How-to-add-new-calendar-The-Ladies-College.pdf

Direct link to view online:

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ICS file for devices:

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ISC Covid-19 Questionnaire

Thank you to parents who completed the confidential questionnaire last term about our provision during Guernsey's 6-week period of lockdown. The Ladies' College was part of the 20% of schools who elicited feedback from parents and the response rate was 15%; slightly below the 16.1% across all participating schools. 43.3% of the responses were from the Prep-Preparatory and Melrose and 56.7% from the Senior School and Melrose.

The results have helped us benchmark our provision over lockdown. You will be aware from correspondence last term that our own internal review identified our intention to try to keep College open for the younger pupils in Melrose in the event of another lockdown, with the option of remote learning for older students in the Senior School or Sixth Form or supervised remote learning in College. This is, of course, with the caveat that any plans must meet the prevailing requirements of The States of Guernsey and Public Health advice.

PTA

Thank you to our PTA for the wonderful events at the end of last year, including the Bubbles and Sparkles, Carol Service, and the Christmas Fayres. Please look out for other events planned for this term, with the first being the Drama workshop at the end of January for stduents from Remove to Upper Four.

See: http://www.ladiescollege.com/media/122103/PTA-drama-workshop-January-2021.pdf

The Ladies' College Guild

The first event for The Ladies' College Guild is on Thursday with their Jigsaw January. We hope to see you there.

See: http://www.ladiescollege.com/media/121793/Guild-Jigsaw-January-2021.pdf

Michaelmas Mark Reading 2020

I am pleased to provide a copy of the *Student Achievements – Michaelmas Mark Reading* 2020 document which highlights the great results and many achievements of our older students in College. Please let us know of special achievements outside of College in order that these too may be celebrated in our termly Mark Reading Assembly.

Principal's Retirement

You will have received a letter from our Chair of Governors last week, which communicated my decision to retire by the end of 2021. I have been attending school in one way or another for over 50 years and making the decision to retire and stop doing something I have wanted to do from the age of six and loved for the past 38 years has not been easy. I try to follow my own advice to others and have always told our two children that it is better to make difficult decisions when things are good. Whilst there is never an easy time to make some decisions, making them for the right reasons is key. My decision is bittersweet as I do love it here, yet the lure of family and close friends, and the opportunity to have greater flexibility with my time in the future is fundamental to my decision. I also know that College is in a good place and that girls and colleagues have an absolute commitment to making their time here meaningful. Schools evolve continually; the team here is strong and they will support, and be supported, when a new pair of hands takes hold of the reins.

It is my intention to lead The Ladies' College with both energy and enthusiasm, until a suitable replacement is appointed to take up the role. The Governors will work through a formal process to recruit my successor and although I already feel the tinge of sadness that this journey will come to an end, I will embrace my remaining time here, as Principal, with optimism and clarity that I will do what is right, come

what may and aim to be the best that I can be. I am incredibly proud of being a part of such a special place and grateful for the opportunity to be a small part of your children's lives.

Yours sincerely

Ashley Clancy

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Student Achievements Michaelmas Mark Reading 2020



The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Bronze Award

Joyce Adams Amélie Le Prevost Hannah Street Shelby Timms

Hannah Savident Rosie Merrett

Maisy Nicholls

Megan Digard

Victoria Hancock

Lauren de Jersey

Hattie Whitman

Célestine Mahieux

Silver Award

Eleanor Dufty Katrina Guilbert Lola Johnson (former pupil)

D of E First Aid Skills Section Certificates

Joyce Adams Amélie Le Prevost



The Ladies' College Bronze Award recognises involvement in music, supporting others and sharing skills

Lara Veillard Bella Fysh Alex Dorey Amy Paige Amélie Le Prevost Robyn Surcombe Ria Thapliyal Hannah Savident

Hannah Jones

Megan Lucas

Genevieve Evans

Lily Whiteman

Belle Le Moigne

Hannah Kennedy

Izzy Verdellis

Wellbeing Champions

Wellbeing Champion badges are awarded to those who have completed our new course learning more about mental health and how to support others.

Isabella Collenette Nicole Hubert Sophie Kent Katie Lloyd Ella McDermott Amélie Rochester Lydia Torode

FIRIST AID

20 Sixth Form students completed an 'Emergency First Aid at Work' course

Imogen Noyon Evie Hart

Maddy Pope Lauren Rebstein

Rachel Simon

Pascale Carpentier

Elsie Lister

Sophie Riddiford

Lucy Merrien

Mae Ingrouille

Eva Haenel

Ella Birch

Frankie Miller

Nicole Hubert

Phoebe Crook

Sofia Mella

Emma Giles

Jennifer Long

Amandine Harris

Amelia Hudson

Collas Crill Annual Moot

22 Lower Sixth girls competed in this legal competition with Lydia Datta and Maisy Nicholls finishing as runners up in the overall 2020 competition. Certificates are awarded to all who participated:

Isabella Lee

Katrina Guilbert

Ellie Dufty

Samantha Whalley

Daisy Livesey

Léonie Tustin

Rachel Dawson Amy-Jane Mealing

Lena Lenkovska

Chloe Domaille

Alex Elders

Rosy Brown

Lottie Boscher

Daisy Dunning

Sofia Lockwood

Sze-Ching Chung Hattie Whitman

Leyla Luff

Esme Farrell

Jasmine Morgan

Lydia Datta

Maisy Nicholls



The Guernsey Press 'Design an Advert 2020

The Ladies' College were awarded 1st place and £1,000 in the Senior School section competition, with 31 prizes won by 24 of our students.

Art

The Sovereign Art Foundation 2020

Merit Awards

Felicity Coupe Katherine Dodd Lydia Haddow **Amy Haines** Katie Smith

Izzy Verdellis

Lucinda Yang

Finalists in the competition were:

Madison Mitchell Louise Le Tissier Abigail Roger Jasmine Morgan

Isabella Lee was the judges overall favourite and The Ladies' College won the Schools prize.



Guernsey Eisteddfod Society English Literary Section Certficates of Merit

Lara Snedden Eliza Webster

First Class Certificates

Poppy Elliott Freya James Lara Snedden

UK TEFL COURSE

Elsie Lister

The Ladies' College Department of Modern Foreign Languages

Charlotte Dorey, who was in Upper Four at the time, passed her IGCSE in French last June with a grade 9.

IoD & Chamber of Commerce

In September, Amy Burwood and Evie Hart were invited to attend the IoD Conference lunch and in October, Paget Walker and Megan Wyatt-Nicolle were guests at the Chamber of Commerce lunch



Last term, during lockdown, Remove and Lower Four students took part in the on-line UK Mathematics Trust Junior Challenge:

Bronze certificates

Mia Carpenter Emma Holt Heather Jones Hannah Le Pelley Hannah Livestro Evie Patterson Eva Redlinghuys Uma Sharma

Silver certificates

Jemima Vhadra

Martha Williams

Layla Ferguson - Best in School Sophia Matthew Jess Peacegood - Best in Year Molly Robinson

The Senior Mathematical Challenge

Bronze

Oisin McMahon Eva Haenel - Best in Year

Silver

Lena Lenkovska - Best in School

PE DEPARTMENT

Sports Colours

Junior Hockey

Eleanor Whittaker, Alexa Annan, Chloe Elliott, Abigail Boyle, Martha Williams

Junior Netball

Chloe Elliott

Senior Netball

Bella Duquemin, India Hilgeland-Wilkins, Freya Tardif, Poppy Cochrane, Holly Mitchell, Evie Robinson, Celéstine Mahieux, Katie Oliver, Amélie Le Prevost

Active Travel Trophy

Upper Four X

House Events

House creative writing Competition

Carey 4th de Sausmarez 3rd 2nd Brock Durand 1st

Staff competition

de Sausmarez Carey 3rd Brock 2nd Durand 1st

House with most overall points: Durand

House Events

House Cross Country

4th Durand 3rd de Sausmarez Carev 2nd

Brock

Individual Winner Lottie Smith

House Netball

Remove

1st

4th Durand Brock 3rd 2nd Carey

de Sausmarez

Lower Four

4th Brock 3rd Durand 2nd Carey 1st

de Sausmarez

Upper Four

Brock 4th Carey 3rd 2nd Durand de Sausmarez 1st

Lower Four and Upper Four combined winner de Sausmarez

Lower Five

4th Durand 3rd Carey 2nd de Sausmarez Brock 1st

Upper Five and Sixth Form

Durand 4th 3rd Brock de Sausmarez 2nd

Lower Five and Senior combined winner de Sausmarez

Active travel journeys this term

4th de Sausmarez 364 3rd Durand 387 2nd Carey 414 Brock 424 1st

The Housepoint totals for this term are

4th Carey 507 Brock 3rd 558 2nd de Sausmarez Durand 1st 612

Quiz results so far for students

de Sausmarez 3rd Carey 170 2nd Durand 177 Brock 1st 181

Quiz results so far for Staff

de Sausmarez Brock 3rd 32.5 2nd Carey 33.5 Durand 1st 34.5









CCF News

Many of our Sixth Formers now participate in the Combined Cadet Force, led by Mr Herschel. In October Emily Abreu, Phoebe Crook, Emma Giles, Mae Ingrouille, Lauren Rebstein and Rachel Simon took part in the CCF camp

At the beginning of the summer holidays Rachel Simon participated in the EC pre-Bisley shooting competition with the CCF squad. This was a 4 day shoot over 3 distances with targets set at 300 yards, 500 yards and 600 yards. Rachel won the 500 yard and 600 yard categories and also achieved the top junior aggregate score for the whole competition and so she was awarded 3 out of the 4 possible trophies for the junior competition.

Outside of College

Alex Dorey in Lower Five, who plays the Double Bass, recieved the 'Dame Ruth Railton Award' from The National Children's Orchestra

Rachel Simon and Alex Elders, had their long hair cut off to donate to the Little Princess Trust, a charity which makes wigs for people who have lost their hair from cancer treatments or other illnesses. Alongside this, the money that is donated contributes to supporting the charity, allowing wigs to be provided free of charge, and funding research into childhood cancers.

Chloe Domaille in Lower Sixth has enjoyed a fantastic season in Ladies' Golf. Her successes include winning the Rousse Trophy, the Jaonneuse Trophy and the St. David's Trophy. She is the Saffrey Girls Island Champion and has been chosen as the Junior Captain for 2021. She has also been nominated for the Guernsey Golf Union Player of the Year 2020

Jenny Mahé in Lower Four recently competed in the Digimap Cross Country 2020 run. In the U14 girls' category she achieved 2nd place.

Evie Patterson in Upper Four has just passed her ABRSM Grade 5 Singing exam

Staff

Mrs A Roue is going on Maternity leaving from January.

