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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students

I am writing to you at the end of a busy half-term with an update about Covid, details about our pending inspection and other information which I hope is of relevance and interest to you.

Our pupils and students continue to impress with their response to opportunities, their creativity, the inspiration they provide to others, their resilience, their adaptability, and their genuine desire to take responsibility for themselves as well as towards others.

Covid-19

Thank you for your patience, tolerance, and acceptance of so many changes over such a short period of time. On our return after half-term, please could we ask for your co-operation and support with the following: some of it is a whole-island approach* and some is what we believe is sensible to put in place on our return from half-term.

- *Pupils, students and colleagues are asked to **undertake a LFT for three days** (28 February, 1 & 2 March).
- *From 3 March, there will be no LFT surveillance testing for primary pupils.
- *LFTs should then be completed on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Senior School and Sixth Form students and colleagues. (C-19 remains a notifiable disease and I am advised that it is an individual's responsibility to report this to Public Health).
- *Please do not attend College with a positive LFT and follow the advice to only return once symptoms have cleared. A pupil, student or colleague can return if they have a negative result on day 5 and day 6 (or on two consecutive days before day 10) and their symptoms have resolved.
- *Activities and visits on-island will continue yet may be affected if there is a localised outbreak.
- *There is a de-escalation of contact tracing on the island and in schools. As a result of this, it is my understanding that positive cases are asked to directly notify close household and social contacts. College will only contact pupils, students, parents, and colleagues if there is a localised breakout.
- *Good personal hygiene measures remain.
- Any parents or visitors to College are asked to complete an LFT in advance of their arrival and to not attend if experiencing any Covid symptoms.

• At the time of writing, face coverings continue to be recommended in the Senior School and Sixth Form, and we will continue to have doors open to maintain ventilation in classrooms or enclosed spaces.

Inspection

This will take place from 8-11 March. The whole College will be inspected, from Early Years (our Pre-Preparatory Department), through to Sixth Form. Our registered inspector has already visited and completed much of the background work required, which means the inspection itself can focus on what happens on the ground.

Parents, pupils, students, and colleagues have an important part to play in guiding the inspection team, even before their arrival in College for inspection. On Monday, 28 February 2022, parents, pupils from Form II through to Sixth Form students, (and colleagues), will each be sent a letter containing a code to link to separate Inspection questionnaires. The questionnaire will be live for three days and is to be completed by Wednesday, 2 February 2022. The questionnaires are anonymous and will set much of the agenda for the Inspection team, who we welcome to College to scrutinise what we do and to help us to ensure that we continue to evolve and to provide our very best for all who are at The Ladies' College. Please do take the time to respond and I thank you for doing this, as your feedback is always important to us, especially at this important milestone in the school's development.

Staffing update

Appointment to the Board of Governors

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Dr Joey Freeman as an Associate Governor. Please see https://www.ladiescollege.com/about-us/board-of-governors for more details on this appointment.

Fame

What a performance! After months of work and worries that Covid might make the shows at the end of January impossible, we were thrilled that we were able to go ahead with all the performances to a full theatre and with a live audience. Time and time again, the College motto of *Fais Ce Que Dois Advienne Que Pourra*, (Do what is right, come what may), can be seen in the dedication from everyone who is part of our productions. The opportunity to perform in a theatre, with the technical support to assure lighting and sound, added to the confidence of all the performers. We are all too aware that they must have felt like they had run a marathon every night, with so much dancing and ensemble work, as well as some truly memorable solo performances - not least from Jasmine Morgan who took on a lead role in January! Thank you to everyone who brought Fame to the stage for us. It was spectacular.

International Women's Day (IWD)

Upper Five and Sixth Form students and all parents and guardians are invited to join us on Thursday, 3 March 2022 at 18.00 for The Ladies' College Annual Networking Event, to celebrate IWD, #BreakTheBias. Ms Daniele Harford-Fox is our invited guest speaker, and she is looking forward to the opportunity to address and to meet with members of our College community, before she takes up her role as Principal on 25 April 2022. Please see https://www.ladiescollege.com/information/ladies-networking-event for more information, if you are yet to respond to our invitation to you.

TLC Environmental Charter

We continue to make progress towards a more sustainable College and our recently completed Environmental Charter is the blueprint that is helping to set our agenda. In addition to work to plant trees to offset our carbon footprint, the Senior School and Sixth Form recently completed a poll and

approximately 90% agreed that The Core should no longer sell anything in plastic bottles. From half-term, students will follow the expectation in Melrose and are encouraged to bring in their own water bottles. In addition, the Core has sourced some drinks in recyclable tins and cartons and is using recyclable plastic for other food items. Water bottles can be filled from the water fountains at break or lunchtime and students can also access water in The Core, at the end of the servery.

Bring your own device (BYOD) and mobile phones

You may have already read Dr Mitchell's recent letter which outlines a direction of travel to use devices, rather than phones, and to support our young people to be able to work towards and maintain a healthy relationship with their phones, rather than reaching for them as a default. Not least linked to Covid and our return from half-term, students are reminded to bring in their fully charged device and headphones, for the lesson itself, and to be able to access their learning, should the teacher be delivering the lesson remotely.

Gold History Quality Mark

Our History Department achieved the Gold History Quality Mark in 2018. The reaccreditation in January 2022 is of particular significance as it has been achieved in a period when colleagues have been adapting, working remotely, supporting students who are isolating and generally having their work and home in significant states of flux. Many congratulations to Mrs Henderson, Mrs Montague, and Mr McGovern for this endorsement about their work to develop young peoples' knowledge and skills, through their subject.

Michaelmas Mark Reading 2021

I am pleased to provide a copy of the *Student Achievements – Michaelmas Mark Reading 2021* 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.

PTA

Thank you to the Senior School PTA for the new stage curtains in the Hall, which is the culmination of their fundraising over recent years. This term they have held a second-hand uniform sale, with the next sale scheduled for April. They can be contacted anytime with uniform requests via pta@ladiescollege.ac.gg. Their next event is the return of the annual PTA quiz on Thursday, 24 March 2022. More details to follow, but please pencil this into your diary.

The Ladies' College Guild (TLCG)

The Ladies' College Guild committee have organised this year's Jigsaw evening to be held on Thursday, 10 March 2022. We hope you can gather some friends together and join them, when teams of four will compete to complete a 500-piece puzzle. More details can be found on the College website and Facebook page. Alumnae, friends, and current members of our College community are welcomed to this event.

May I close by wishing you a safe and happy week during the College's half-term and we will look forward to welcoming everyone back on 28 February 2022.

Yours sincerely

Ashley Clancy

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Student Achievements Michaelmas Mark Reading 2021





THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S

Bronze Award

Tabitha Hayman Isabelle Tardivel Katherine Dodd Phoebe Smart Rebecca Bradshaw Uma Sharma Carmen Walsh Hannah Le Pelley Molly Robinson Alexandra Dorey Talia Godet Amy Peacegood Alexa Annan Lea Phillips Ella Mealing Evie Linane Layla Ferguson Imogen Le Page Freya Walley Erin Watterson Julia Madden

Emily Beck Eleanor Whittaker Beatrice Pope Isabelle Le Moigne Abigail Powers Charlotte Griggs Emma Holt Isabelle Lowe **Evie Patterson** Mathilda Bisson Hannah Kennedy Violet Collenette Akshaya Gopinath Charlotte Kasparis Madison Mountford Hannah Livestro Abigail Boyle Sophia Matthew **Evie Pellet** Neave Chatting-Tonks Grace Davison

Silver Award

Amélie Le Prevost Sophie Elliott Helena Duguid

Ria Thapliyal Alex Elders Lauren Walsh



Music Awards Silver Music Award:

Isabel Whitford

Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music Grade 4:

Flute - Laura Veillard

Singing – Beatrice Glynn-Riley Singing – Eleanor Hopkins Singing – Holly Hay

Singing - Genevieve Evans

Trinity College London Grade 5:

Singing – Lexie Taylor

Grade 6:

Singing – Hannah Chambers

Grade 7:

Trombone – Helena Duguid Violin – Julia Madden

Grade 8:

Violin – Matilda Cole Viola – Sophie Joslin Viola - Sze-Ching Chung

Guernsey Music Service Examinations Grade 5 standard:

Singing – Charlotte Kasparis Singing – Amy Haines Singing – Alexandra Dorey

Art & Photography

Sovereign Art Foundation 2021 **Merit Awards**

Ellen Bonner Evie James Olivia Morgan Kell Swain

Mia Guilbert Eliza Webster Genevieve Swainston Eleanor Whittaker

Highly Commended

Sophie Henton Charlotte Smith Anya Tee

Rose Morris Olivia Strappini

The following students were selected as finalists:

Holly Hobbs Madison Mitchell Anya Tee

Louise Le Tissier Jasmine Morgan

History Department

The following students contributed to a project called 'Foundation Stones', where stones were decorated and brought in as an act of Holocaust remembrance. The stones will be built into the foundations of the UK National Holocaust Memorial.

Lower Four

Daisy Archard Lola Batiste Amelia Bell Carrie Boyde Sophie Carey Sienna Brock Florence Carpenter Naomi Chanter Amelie Clark Isabella Collenette Zoe Collins Chloe Corbett Sophie Domaille Grace Galliott Florence Glynn-Riley Daisy Grindal Maria Ilina Holly Ingrouille Izabella Johns Lucie Jackson Alix Le Noury Katie Lloyd Anni Miller Edith Montague Siân O'Hanlon Lee-Lou Pesrin-Auder Mair Nippers Hannah Özanne Niamh Polson Grace Purvis Isabel Round Amelie Rochester Lucy Symons Isabel Whitford Lara Veillard Stella Whitmore Tillie Hilgeland Wilkins

Upper Four

Bailey Austin Sophie Brooks Matilda Cole Marcie de Carteret Poppy Elliott Beatrice Glynn-Riley Eleanor Hopkins Heather lones Lydia Nelson

Imogen Bacon Charlotte Carre Charlotte Davies Sophia Eisenhuth Isabella Fysh Felicity Hayman Evie James Gabriella Joslin Amelie Ogier

Eva Redelinghuys Hannah Smith Cara Steyn Jessica Watson

Cara Seymour Thea Stark Isabelle Verdellis

Lower Five

Akshaya Gopinath Uma Śharma

Zeah Hurwitz Carmen Walsh

Upper Five

Célestine Mahieux Amy Paige Hannah Street Lauren Varley

Aimee Ozanne Beatrice Pope Freya Tardif Millie Vaudin

Sixth Form

Sophie Kent Lydia Datta Francesca Paxton

Rosy Brown Madison Mitchell



Well done to all students who participated in the Moots this year:

Iulia Madden Victoria Hancock Lilly King Sophie Kent Ailish Rabey Maisie Webster Carys Hodgson Eve Walley Lily Whiteman Ria Thapliyal Helena Duquid Genevieve Evans Kate Bain Robyn Surcombe Francesca Paxton Lily Parkes Megan Lucas

Athena Mellor Grace Davison Fabienne Leathem Evie McGall Fabienne Carpentier Harriet Clayton Megan Digard Rebecca Philp Rhiannon Mallard Sophie Elliott Hannah Savident Lauren Walsh Hannah Chambers Charlotte Chrystal Caitlin Parker Holly Hobbs Imogen Johnson

Mathilda Gordon-Le Clerc Phillipa Gallagher

Special congratulations to our two talented finalists:

Rosalie Van Zutphen Amélie Smith



UKMT Senior Mathematical Challenge

Fabienne Carpentier – Bronze Rebecca Philp - Silver Eve Walley – Silver and Best in Year Lena Lenkovska – Gold and Best in School

Special congratulations also go to Lena who has qualified for the next round of the competition.

Student Achievements Michaelmas Mark Reading 2021





The following students participated the 2021 Young Enterprise scheme:

Henrietta Whitman Katrina Guilbert Henrietta Ross Emilia Abreu Freya Le Marquand Georgia Gray Esme Farrell Holly Hepworth

Isabella Lee Olivia Strappini Ella Aylmer Madison Mitchell Ellen Relph Lydia Datta Rosy Brown

The 'Performers of the Year' and their companies were:

Henrietta Whitman – BBBlogs Georgia Gray – Bombora Olivia Strappini – Eco-Amica Lydia Datta – Resin & That

TEFL Teaching English as a foreign language

Congratulations to the following students who successfully completed this course during Alternative Curriculum week:

Charlotte Boscher Sze-Ching Chung Lydia Datta Chloe Domaille Louise Le Tissier Sofia Lockwood Henrietta Ross Rosy Brown Emily Cooper Isabelle Davidson Daisy Dunning Isabella Lee Leyla Luff



Leadership Shadowing Scheme

Certificates presented to:

Charlotte Boscher Katrina Guilbert Georgia Gray Aimee Gavey Samantha Frost Maisy Nicholls Lena Lenkovska Leyla Luff Jasmine Morgan Esme Farrell Nicole Barnes Louise Le Tissier Lydia Datta

Finalists:

Louise Le Tissier – Special Commendation Maisy Nicholls – Special Commendation Lydia Datta – Distinction, 2nd place overall Lena Lenkovska – overall winner of the Leadership Shadowing Award.

IOD Blog Winners:

Henrietta Ross Olivia Strappini

Principal's Commendation

Sophie Joslin is recognised for her commitment to the Gym Club since the start of the Michaelmas term, having gone 'above and beyond' helping all teams for the House Gym Competition

PE DEPARTMENT

AWARDING OF COLOURS

Junior Hockey:

Sophie Brooks, Gabriella Joslin, Katie Smith, Jessica Peacegood, Lydia Nelson, Isabella Fysh, Poppy Elliott, Bailey Austin, Poppy Bisson, Cara Steyn

Senior Hockey:

Holly Mitchell, Amélie Le Prevost

Sixth Form Hockey:

Harriet Clayton, Emilie Walker, Harriet Savident, Helena Duguid, Ria Thapliyal

Junior Netball:

Millie Ogier, Poppy Elliott, Alice de Jersey, Katie Smith, Isabelle Verdellis, Sophie Brooks, Polly Gilligan, Jessica Peacegood, Eliza Webster, Poppy Bisson

House Events

House Cross Country Individual winner: Kate Bain Team Event:

lst Brock

2nd de Sausmarez

3rd Carey
4th Durand

House Netball Remove

1st Durand 2nd Brock

3rd de Sausmarez

4th Carev

Lower Four

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

Lower Five

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

Upper Four

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

Senior Netball

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

Trophies:

Remove: Durand Lower Four & Upper Four: de Sausmarez Lower Five & Senior Netball: de Sausmarez

House Events

Totals for House points and Excellent Work awards:

530 Carey 525 de Sausmarez 522 Durand 497 Brock

House Quiz results - students

(after 2 rounds) 223 Durand 216 Carey

215 Brock & de Sausmarez

House Quiz results - staff

(after 2 rounds)
38 Brock
37 Durand
36 de Sausmarez
34 Carev

Outside of College

Siân O'Hanlon in Lower Four has enjoyed success in show jumping in the UK and has qualified for the National Championships which take place in August.

Sarah Raines in Lower Five was recently awarded Rockschool Grade 3 Vocals at Thirst Music School

Sophia Matthew in Lower Five has attended the British Trampoline and Tumbling Championship, placing 20th in Britain in her age group.

Congratulations to **Hannah Kennedy** in Lower Five who has been selected to attend the first phase of the Swim England Swimming National Development Programme for 2021-2022.

Megan O'Hanlon in Upper Five recently took part in her first National standard climbing competition in the UK and did very well, even 'flashing' (climbing to the top on first attempt) in two climbs.

Well done to **Isabella Lee** who won 1st prize in the Boomerang Climate Action Poster Competition 15-18 age category. Winning designs were displayed on over 2000 digital screens nationwide during the COP26 conference.

Henrietta Whitman built on Young Enterprise success by submitting the company to The Young Business Group's 'Bill Green Award for Innovation'. Praised by the judging panel, she has been invited to work with them on future development.

Congratulations to **Kate Bain** who has been selected for the British Athletics Youth Talent Programme.

Well done to **Harriet Savident** who has been selected for England hockey trials, training with the England U17 squad.