

Les Gravées, St Peter Port Guernsey, GYI IRW

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19th October 2022

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Lower Sixth Progress Reviews

A copy of your daughter's progress review is now available on ParentPortal. 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

Understanding the Progress Review

- Keeps to deadlines (Yes/No)
- Engagement in lessons*
- Attendance concerns (Yes/No)

*These headings will be answered with a number 1 = Very good, 2 = Satisfactory, or 3 = Needs to improve

If you have any queries or concerns about this Progress Review, please contact your daughter's tutor in the first instance via email:

Lower 6A: Mrs Z Ellis (<u>zellis@ladiescollege.ac.gg</u>)

Lower 6B: Dr K Marshall (kmarshall@ladiescollege.ac.gg)

Lower 6C: Dr S Smith (<u>ssmith@ladiescollege.ac.gg</u>)

Lower 6D: Mr D Bolt (dbolt@ladiescollege.ac.gg)

Individual Focus Meetings

Shortly after half-term, each student will meet either Miss Clements or Mr Henderson to review the start of their A-level study. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity to reflect on all aspects of the Sixth Form experience.

Co-curricular experiences

I have been so proud of the Lower Sixth students this half term. They have embraced Sixth Form and all it has to offer. They have taken part in several co-curricular opportunities which have broadened their knowledge and given them a wealth of experience. Several students have taken the opportunity to join a Young Enterprise group and the Collas Crill Moot this term, and there will be a presentation about Leadership Shadowing at the start of next term. This is a very worthwhile scheme and is run by the Institute of Directors (IOD) and offers students in Lower Sixth a 3-day placement with a manager in one of Guernsey's businesses.



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Winter Uniform

- > Sensible coats with red, black or navy scarves
- > Dark coloured tights
- > Low-heeled black shoes or ankle boots.

There have been a few issued raised with the Lower Sixth and their uniform, which we hope to have now been resolved. Most are looking very smart in their uniform, but we ask for your continued support to ensure that they wear their uniform with pride as they are our ambassadors when seen out of College by the public. We do not condone the wearing of skirts that are extremely short, and we do not allow facial piercings. We ask that skirts are checked, and hems lengthened, if required, before returning after half-term.

Now that the autumnal weather is upon us, please check that coats and footwear conform to our uniform regulations. Students are reminded that hoodies and Ugg-style boots are not acceptable as part of College uniform. Please refer to the uniform section of the Sixth Form handbook for full details.

Punctuality/Attendance

All Sixth Formers have been reminded of the importance of registering with their tutor at 08:25. The Sixth Form are role models for younger students and late arrival does not set a good example. Genuine reasons for lateness do, of course, arise but a phone call or email to reception or Mrs Cheshire is much appreciated so we can fulfil our duty of care to the students. For your information the email address for late(s)/absences is kcheshire@ladiescollege.ac.gg If students miss registration they must sign-in with Mrs Cheshire in the Leaf Centre - a list is kept of all students who continually sign-in late.

We have had some queries regarding the use of facilities across the Colleges and would like to gauge parents support in allowing the Sixth Form to leave the College site during the longer lunch breaks. We encourage independence in the Sixth Form and feel with the support of both Colleges and parents in allowing students to access St Peter Port during lunch times, this will foster the student's independence and time management. We would appreciate you completing the following form permitting your daughter to leave the College sites during their lunch breaks.

Microsoft Forms

Students will be required to sign out and in on their return for health and safety records and if the students are unable to return to the College in time for afternoon lessons, this privilege will be revoked.

Punctuality is, above all, an important life skill and a basic courtesy. It is also important for other reasons: we are in an extremely difficult position from a health and safety perspective if we do not know where students are. We are legally obliged to hold regular fire drills and must account for the whereabouts of every student on our roll; prospective employers and universities frequently require a report of attendance and punctuality from us.



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Balance of schoolwork, co-curricular activities and part-time employment.

It is very important that students do not undertake an excessive amount of paid work during weekday evenings as we do advise students that each subject should involve 5 hours of independent study per week. We have been aware in the past that when students over-commit themselves, it has a detrimental effect on their well-being and studies. It is very important for the students to have some time to relax during the week and at weekends.

I have been very impressed with the attitude and work ethic so far this term. I have received positive feedback about the Lower Sixth and how they have embraced their A-level subjects. Clearly, they are adjusting well to the demands of Sixth Form. As always, if you do have any queries, or are at all concerned, please do contact your daughter's form tutor.

We wish you and your family a good half term and look forward to welcoming the students back, rested, after the break.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Clements

Head of Sixth Form

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