

20th January, 2023

Dear Parents,

Football success (Article 15, 29 & 31)

Our footballers reached the finals of the all-island ESFA competition and played this week against Jersey and Guernsey schools to determine which school represents the Channel Islands in the UK later this term. As the smallest Government primary school, this is a considerable achievement and we were the only non-fee paying Government school to reach this stage. Well done to Teijo, Luca, Phoebe, Jack, Charlie, Ben, Toby and Jude.

Rights Respecting Schools recognition article (Article 42)

We have been contacted by a number of UK schools for advice about creating a culture based on children's rights. UNICEF use the film of our pupils explaining what we do as part of their national training for schools. The children have been proud to receive the letters and have replied.

Transition meetings (Article 12 & 29)

Over the next few weeks, we will be inviting our previous Y6 pupils back to Les Landes. We want to hear from them what the challenges of transition to secondary school have been so that we can best prepare our current Y6 children. Moving from such a small community to a large school takes some adjustment, and there will be lessons we can learn from the children.

Website use for communication with school

Thank you for using this new preferred method of communication, rather than directly emailing for the following things.

- Application for authorised leave
- Note of medical appointment
- Notification of school absence

<https://www.leslandes.sch.je/page/?title=Contact+Us&pid=2>

Parent Forum (Article 18)

The next Parent Forum is scheduled for **Monday 27th February**. We would like to make it as easy as possible for as many parents to attend, please submit your preference here <https://forms.office.com/e/wxrJqjqR1T> and we will go with the majority. Request for agenda items will follow.

World Book Day

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day is an opportunity to celebrate books and foster a love of reading. The children are invited to bring in a favourite book on this day. At their request, they have the option of coming to school dressed as a book character.

Jersey Premium report (Article 27)

Our Jersey Premium Evaluation for 2022 and Strategy for 2023 will shortly be added to our website. It details our allocated funding and the impact. As a group, the



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children eligible for this additional resource achieve extremely well and are not below their peers. This is in contrast to a national picture of underachievement and we are proud of our effective provision.

Earrings

We have noticed a few children wearing earrings. A polite reminder that these should be studs, not hoops, and need to be taped or removed for PE. Thank you.

School Fund audit

The Government of Jersey Treasury department audited our school fund account last month and had no action points for the school. We are very fortunate to have Mrs Wiseman leading on this, alongside everything else she does!

Thank you

A message from Jo Darwood and Jenna Du Feu:

Thank you to everyone who came and donated to the women's health evening. We raised £120 which we are splitting between the school and MVI (a charity working with refugees across Europe). Jenna and I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did."

Dates

Events for this term including another opportunity for you to pop in and see your child's work, Mother's Day assembly and the Y4 flute performance are all on the website calendar. <https://www.leslandes.sch.je/calendar/?calid=1&pid=3&viewid=1>

Attachment

Information regarding flu vaccination programme for children

Mrs Charlesworth