



Le Rocquier School

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Welcome to Le Rocquiers Easter newsletter

Dear Parents and carers.

The past two terms have flown by, and it is hard to believe that our first real GCSE exams of 2026 have already started for Year 11. Year 11 received their GCSE English Literature results about a month ago and were hugely successful with over 88% of students passing this important exam. A fantastic achievement for any school. Even more wonderful was that over a quarter of all these grades were the very highest grades 7,8 and 9. A big well done to our English Department. This was followed by further exam success in the GCSE DEC results with over 80% of students passing. This has given Year 11 real confidence for the summer, but there is still plenty of revision to undertake in the weeks ahead. In last few days our Year 11 Art, Photography and Textiles students sat their practical exams and revision session after school are well attended. We wish all our Year 11 cohort all the very best as they head into the exam season.

Celebration is a big part of our ethos and one of the highlights of any week for me personally is handing out our 'Star Student of the Week' badges and certificates. Any student can be nominated by our staff, sometimes other students and on occasion parents let us know of something special and we add that in as well. Please do remember to share success in sport or the community so we can celebrate our students' achievements against our values. On Fridays I visit lessons to present the awards and take a photo with the student.

We then share their success on our celebration screen in the foyer and this is an example of what we display in school. Any student who is nominated receives a postcard celebrating their nomination. Our celebration culture runs deeper than just this as we give house points in every lesson and event across the school against our school 'Values in Action' and this can eventually be spent at our rewards stall. We are always keen to expand what our Rewards Stall offers but funds are very limited. If you know of a business which might be interested in supporting our celebration culture, please ask them to get in touch with me.



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Our termly newsletter captures a snapshot of the many, many opportunities we provide for our students, and you can find much more on our very active Facebook feed.

Kind regards.

Andrew Adkin, Headteacher.

Well-Being at Le Rocquier:

Mr Bennett, our Mental Health and Wellbeing manager is working with the PSHE curriculum and staff in providing expert knowledge around common problems, concerns and worries for each year group.

This term he has spent time working with both year 7 and year 9 students on creating a culture of preparing for choices, consequences and how to cope. Reaching over 300 students, Mr Bennett has supported both of these year groups with bespoke support.

For year seven students, the narrative was attending 'big school'. This included education and learning skillsets around social changes, navigating the unknown, the increased class workload and feeling uncertain.

For year nine students, Mr Bennett focussed on supporting students in GCSE choices. This included talking about common worries, managing uncertainty, and developing healthy ways to cope at this difficult time.

Roll on next term and further collaborative PSHE work with other year groups!!!

Mr Bennett

Employability:

Miss Hawgood, Mr McDade and the Employability students have been taking part and contributing towards Jersey's attempt at becoming more sustainable by linking up with Grow Jersey. The students now have 2 of their very own vegetable and fruit plots which they are very excited to see blossom. We also got our chance to be on the TV with BBC Jersey talking about our work at Grow. Please keep an eye out.

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We have had numerous students attending work insight and out of school one day a week on successful work placements this term, with 1 student being offered an apprenticeship programme after just a month of working and another being offered a job running alongside her college course this coming September.

Mind Jersey have been doing some amazing work with our Employability students covering the much needed and important topics "coping with exam stress" and "building confidence"

We have some exciting trips and visits coming up to introduce and explore some career choices the students may not have thought about.

Watch this space"

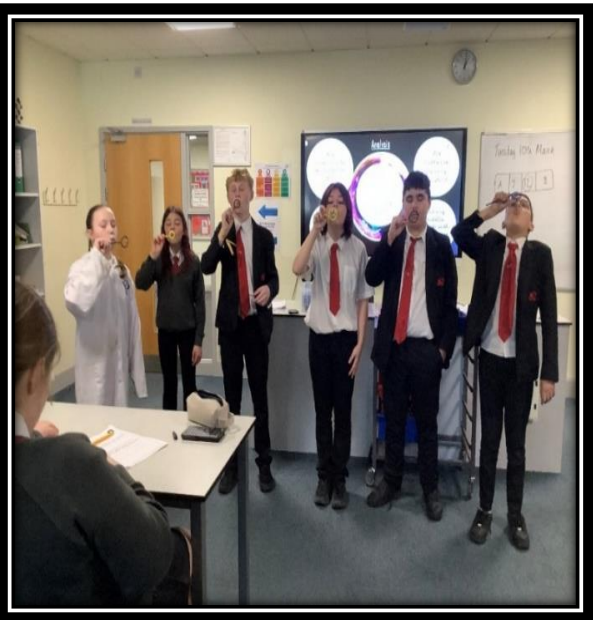


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British Science Week: 9th-13th March 2026

British Science Week was embraced at Le Rocquier, by the Year 8 and Year 7 students investigating which formulation makes the best bubbles and which flour makes the best bread. A lot of fun was had, whilst practicing investigative skills. A selected group of students will visit one of our Primary feeder schools to share their results with younger pupils and talk about the scientific process.



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Spelling Bee

This year's spelling bee was again a huge success and thank you for all the students that were brave enough to go on stage and compete for their House, without your participation and enthusiasm House does not work!

Well done to Fauvic who won for Year 9 and Year 11, but the overall winners were Le Hocq who won for Year 7, Year 10 and Year 8 well done all.



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Staff vs Students:

Our House Staff vs Students events were an incredible success, creating a real buzz and sense of excitement throughout the entire week. Staff took on the Year 10 and 11 boys in fast-paced and highly competitive football tennis matches, while also going head-to-head with the Year 10 and 11 girls in thrilling netball games full of energy and teamwork. The competition didn't stop there, as staff also battled it out in intense tug of war contests against Years 7, 8, and 9, with plenty of determination and school spirit on display.

It was fantastic to see such high levels of participation, enthusiasm, and support from both students and staff, with everyone fully embracing the competitive yet fun nature of the events. The week truly brought the whole school together, creating an electric atmosphere and lasting memories for everyone involved.



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Swimarathon:

Le Rocquier School was once again proud to take part in this year's Swimarathon where we were raising funds for the Lions Club. We took 39 students to Le Quennevais Sports Centre on Wednesday 25th March and were very proud of both their effort and enthusiasm.

Most importantly, the students raised an amazing £832.40 in cash - plus further payments online - for a fantastic charity that provide services and support to elderly, disabled, and disadvantaged member of our island community. Icho House raised the largest part of this amount with a total of £295.50 winning our first House competition.

The second competition was to swim the most lengths at the Swimarathon. This was also won by Icho who swam a total of 210 lengths within the hour. But, across all four houses, the competition was very tight: Le Hocq swam 206 lengths, Seymour 200, and Fauvic 196. In total, our students swam a combined 808 lengths of the Les Quennevais swimming pool. This is a total of 20.2 kilometres which is the distance from Le Rocquier to Jersey Airport and back - an incredible effort!

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Well done to all of the students who took part. They truly demonstrated our house values of kindness and perseverance.

We were delighted to be part of supporting the Lions Club. An outstanding £72,527.77 has been raised this year so far, which we were honoured to be part of. We look forward to next years event.



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School Governors:

Dear Parents, Carers, and Members of our School Community,

I would like to begin by wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Easter. We recognise that for many families, these can be uncertain and challenging times, particularly with the ongoing pressures of the cost of living. We hope that the holiday period offers an opportunity for rest and quality time spent with loved ones.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise the unwavering dedication and professionalism of our staff. Every day, they go above and beyond to support, challenge, and inspire our pupils. Their commitment extends far beyond the classroom, creating a nurturing environment where every child is encouraged to thrive both academically and personally. This level of care and consistency is the foundation of our school's continued success.

I am also pleased to celebrate the excellent recent results in English. These outcomes are a testament not only to the hard work of our pupils, but also to the skill, passion, and determination of our teaching team. Developing strong literacy skills is essential for lifelong learning, and it is wonderful to see our students achieving such high standards.

These successes reflect a shared effort across our entire school community—staff, pupils, families, and governors working together with a common purpose.

In the words of Albert Einstein, "Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think." This ethos is clearly evident in our school, where curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking are nurtured every day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ross Henderson
Chair of Governors

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