de Saumarez College and Victor Hugo College

Excellence and Opportunity



Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year! I hope you and your children are settling back into what has been a busy start to a new term and a new decade.

This Lisia School update introduces the Executive Leadership Team and signposts you to further information and resources about our school. You can't have missed the Lisia School crest. Thank you to everyone who contributed to its development, which captures Guernsey's past, present and future.

Meet the Executive Leadership Team



Liz Coffey, Executive Headteacher, Lisia School

I've been in Guernsey for almost five years. Appointed as Executive Headteacher in September 2018, I was previously Headteacher of the Grammar School and Sixth Form Centre. Before moving to Guernsey, I was a National Leader in Education in the UK at an 11-18 school in the Midlands rated *Outstanding* in all areas by Ofsted.



Vicky Godley, Principal (Designate), de Saumarez College

Vicky is currently the Headteacher of La Mare De Carteret High School and has lived in Guernsey for eight years. Many of you will know the fantastic job Vicky and her team do at La Mare for the children in their care. Indeed, some of the initiatives Vicky has introduced - such as vertical tutoring - will become features of Lisia School.



Kieran James, Principal (Designate), Victor Hugo College

Kieran grew up just a short distance away from what will become Victor Hugo College. Educated locally, Kieran is wellknown to those of you who have had children attend the Grammar School and Sixth Form Centre. He brings with him experience of teaching in New Zealand, Portugal, and even the Solomon Islands.

Where are we?

Earlier this week, fellow education leaders and I wrote an open letter to the community about the reform programme. In particular, we expressed our concerns about what it would mean for students and staff if the States decided to delay, given we are two years into a five-to-six year transition period. All we want to do is to get on and deliver the best education possible, for as many students as possible, as soon as possible.

Where do we want to be?

As Executive Headteacher, I am determined to take the very best from our four existing schools and build a new educational community for Guernsey. Lisia School can be a beacon of excellence underpinned by equality of opportunity for all our students.

To tell you more about this, we have launched the Lisia School Facebook and Twitter accounts. Over the next few weeks, a number of short films will be released on our social media accounts. These films seek to address some of the community's concerns, whilst explaining the benefits of 11-18 education. Please go online and have a look at the first one, released today!

Best wishes,

Liz Coffey

Executive Head Teacher