

DE LA SALLE YEAR 7 SETTING OUT BOOKLET



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Year 7 marks the start of a new chapter in your son's Lasallian journey; a step into adolescence, responsibility, leadership, and the deeper learning that shapes the young man he will one day become.

Whether your son is continuing his education with us, rejoining the College, or joining De La Salle for the first time, we are delighted to welcome him into this next phase. Becoming a Year 7 student is not simply moving up a school; it is joining the long line of De La Salle learners who have grown into

compassionate, confident, capable young men and eventually, compassionate young Alumni. Here, in the Secondary phase, he begins to see himself as part of a tradition rooted in character, community, and excellence.

The move into Secondary brings exciting opportunities alongside new routines, subjects, and expectations. Your son will work with specialist teachers, explore purpose-built facilities, and engage with a broader and more challenging curriculum that reflects his growing maturity. To help him settle quickly and thrive, he will be supported closely by his House Tutor and Head of House; trusted adults who will come to know him well and guide him with clarity and care.

We recognise that young people today grow up in a world that can feel fast-paced and complex, yet it is also rich with opportunity, curiosity, and enrichment. At De La Salle, your son will learn to navigate this landscape with confidence, compassion, and purpose. Grounded in our Catholic and Lasallian values, we help boys develop integrity, empathy, resilience, and a strong moral compass, qualities that shape both their learning and their lives beyond the school gate.

As your son begins Year 7, he enters a vibrant community where friendships deepen, talents emerge, and personal identity strengthens. He also steps into a new level of responsibility, becoming someone, younger pupils naturally look up to; an early expression of the leadership he will continue to develop in the years ahead.

And while your son becomes more independent, families remain an essential part of our Lasallian community. We know some parents fear that Secondary school feels less connected, but that is not our ethos. At De La Salle, the partnership between home and school continues to be one of the most important foundations of your son's success. Your insight, your presence, and your voice matter and you are warmly welcomed as part of our community.

Together; home, school, parish, island community, and the global Lasallian family, we guide your son toward becoming a thoughtful, confident, and compassionate young alumnus.

Our Mission Statement: ***Be happy in the Lord, achieve excellence, one Lasalle undivided.***

We are delighted to welcome you and your family into Year 7 and look forward to the exciting chapter ahead.



WELCOME

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THE SCHOOL DAY

De La Salle is open from 08:00, with areas such as the Learning Support Centre available to offer supervised study, and boys should arrive to school by 08:40 at the latest.

- 08.45 – 09.40 - PERIOD 1
- 09.40 – 10.35 - PERIOD 2
- 10:35 – 10.50 - FORM TIME AND HOUSE ASSEMBLIES
- **10.50 – 11.10 - MORNING BREAK**
- 11.10 – 12.05 - PERIOD 3
- 12.05 – 13:00 - PERIOD 4
- **13.00 – 13.35 - LUNCH BREAK**
- 13.35 – 13.40 - CHANGEOVER
- 13.40 – 14:35 - PERIOD 5
- 14:35 – 15:30 - PERIOD 6
- 15:30 - DISMISSAL
- 15:30 – 16:30 - OPTIONAL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Before school and break times

Unless the weather is wet, students will spend time in the fresh air and in the designated playground areas of the College campus. Students do not have permission to leave the College premises without the consent of the Head of House. Breakfast items (including fruit, croissants and bacon rolls) and breaktime snacks (including sandwiches and paninis) can all be purchased from the Canteen. Snacks can be consumed on the playground. Year 7 students are provided with cricket equipment and sponge footballs and rugby balls to use during lunchtime.

Lunch and the Canteen

Lunch and snacks are served in the Canteen in the gymnasium complex from 13:00 to 13:35 at a cost of approximately £2-£4. There are a wide variety of healthy food options including sandwiches, salads, wraps, fresh fruit and fruit salads as well as daily hot food specials. Hot food orders can be placed in the morning before school starts. All lunch food is consumed in the school gym or form rooms, when the gym is not available. This ensures no problems from seagulls and helps to keep the site looking clean and tidy. We operate a cashless canteen, which is efficient and parents can easily monitor how much is being spent and what items are being bought.

A canteen card can be ordered by emailing canteen@dls-jersey.co.uk stating your son's name and year group, your email and contact telephone number. 'Checkout' will produce the card and send it to De La Salle with the relevant information printed on the envelope. Parents will also be emailed the account set-up details (please check your junk box in case the email is treated as spam). Please note that cards will be debited £2 before students receive their cards, this is to cover the cost of the card being produced and delivered to the school.

Students will not be allowed to leave the school premises at any time during the day unless they have permission from their parents in the form of a written letter. Any students with permission should sign out in the School Office.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Assemblies and worship in the school

Mass is celebrated by the school at St Thomas' Church on days of significance for the College. We may also have whole school assemblies in the Sports Hall at various points in the school year. House time will begin each morning with a short prayer in your classroom. All students are expected to attend these events.

Around the school

The following rules ensure the safety of all students on the College site.

- Please walk sensibly when moving between lessons.
- Always be aware of the nearest fire exit.
- Queue sensibly in alphabetical order when waiting to enter a classroom.
- Duty staff are available in the different areas of the school should a student have a concern.
- Please ensure all litter is disposed of in the bins that are available around the College site.

Lost Property

If you find any lost property, please hand it in to the School Office. If you lose any property, please go to the School Office to see if it has been handed in and if you cannot find it please advise your House Tutor. Please remember that it will help to recover lost property if all items are clearly marked with your name.

Money and valuables

Please do not bring personal stereos or any other valuables into school. There should be no need to bring much money with you unless you are paying for a trip, etc. Give any money to your House Tutor, teacher responsible for the trip or the school secretaries as soon as possible.

Telephones, electronic devices and E-Safety

Mobile telephones are allowed on the school site but they should remain switched off at all times. If this is not the case and your phone is seen or heard, it will be confiscated for the day. If this happens on a regular basis, then it will be confiscated and your parents will have to come into school to collect the phone. For any emergency phone calls that you need to make during the day, there is a phone you are permitted to use in the School Office. Mobile phones and all other electronic devices, such as iPads, should be switched off when on the school site unless under the direct supervision of a member of staff. Further information on E-Safety, Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices and our E-Safety Acceptable User Policy can be found in the appendices to this booklet, and a copy of the document will be provided for students to sign in September.

School Bus

A bus service is provided to and from the various parishes and all bus routes for De La Salle can be located on the gov.je website. There are 9 buses that leave directly from Wellington Road. If you are using the school bus you must make sure you leave your House base promptly after dismissal. From there you will need to go straight down Wellington Hill for the bus, where a senior member of staff will be on duty supervising.

Please ensure the highest standards of behaviour on the buses and in any public forum. If there are reports of poor behavioural choices, you may not be allowed to use the school buses.

Bicycles

Boys cycling to school must have passed the Cycling Proficiency Test. The cycles must meet all requirements of the law. All boys cycling to and from school must wear a safety helmet.

There are designated bicycle storage areas for each year. You are expected to lock your bicycle.

The school cannot take responsibility for any bicycle that is brought onto the school premises.

Please note that e-scooters are not allowed on site.

School office and communications

The School Office is open from 08:00 to 16:30 from Monday to Friday. Messages can be left on the answerphone at all other times. Please contact 01534 754100 or email college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk for all communications to the school.

Weekly Parent Briefing

A 'Parent Briefing' is sent to all parents and carers on the Friday of each week. As much as possible, you will only be sent information relevant to your son's age group. We ask all parents to ensure they read the Briefing each week, so they do not miss any important information.

Class Charts

The college uses Class Charts as a means to support students and work with parents with respect to maintaining positive behaviour and to the setting of homework. Parents and students will each receive a unique code to enable them to create a Class Charts account. Signing in provides access to assigned homework as well as any positive or negative behaviour logs or detentions set. Class Charts is used by a number of schools on island as well as throughout the UK. Information regarding Class Charts can be found at <https://www.tes.com/for-schools/class-charts>, and please contact college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk should you have any questions about this excellent resource.

School Calendar

The School Calendar is available [on our website](#), and updated termly.



HOUSE SYSTEM



Mr A Cook, Assistant Headteacher in charge of Pastoral Care

At De La Salle we have four Houses identified by the colours, Yellow, Blue, Red and Green. During the year many inter-House competitions and events are held. These include House sports events, The Wow Factor, Murder in the Library, science, art, to mention but a few. By the end of the year you will have had your chance to represent your House in at least one competition or event. If your father or elder brother has attended or does attend the school, you will be placed in your family House.

Heads of House

Peary (Yellow)	Mr B Campbell
Rhodes (Blue)	Mr D McCormack
Scott (Red)	Mr P Rodgers
Stanley (Green)	Mrs C Washington

The House Tutor is your daily point of contact and parents can maintain communication with your tutor through the weekly notes section in the student planner. The House Tutor is always available to answer any questions you may have and to support you with aspects such as organisation, house events and behaviour.

Parents should please contact your Head of House for all pastoral enquiries, emailing college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk or telephoning 754100. The Heads of House are responsible for overseeing administration, discipline, welfare and guidance.

Your House Base

Your House room and lockers will be located in the following areas:

7 Peary: DLS Building Middle Floor	7 Rhodes: DLS Building Upper Floor
7 Scott: Lower Deck	7 Stanley: Upper Deck

You are responsible for keeping this area tidy. The locker in your House area is provided to store all of your books and equipment. For transporting books, kit, etc. to and from school, a sturdy bag is essential. **Plastic carrier bags are not suitable.**

Any lost property is stored in the main Administration building and please attend the School Office to check if property has been handed in.

If for any reason you arrive late to school, please go directly to the School Office to sign in.



WELLBEING SUPPORT

Mrs Catherine Halliwell, School Counsellor and Gizmo, our Therapy Dog



De La Salle prides itself on having outstanding pastoral care and a reputation for nurture and support. In addition to our House systems, which provide a framework to ensure a sense of community, holistic and soft-skill development, involvement in charitable activities, healthy and vibrant competition across a spectrum of academic, sporting and creative art opportunities, we ensure well-being through a variety of ways. These include the Chaplaincy, our ELSA-trained staff in the College and our school counsellor.

Mrs Catherine Halliwell works as a dedicated counsellor at the school to provide professional and confidential support. Mrs Halliwell is registered with the British Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapists and works to an ethical code of practice.

How does it work?

Seeing the school counsellor may be the student's idea, or the result of referral by the parents or a teacher at the school. Counselling is always the choice of the individual, and Mrs Halliwell will work with the student to empower them to make the choices that are right for them, and she will be accepting and respectful of whatever choices are made. Meeting the school counsellor can be for one session or for a number of sessions. For students under 16, parents / guardians will be contacted with a consent slip, although the details of why a student is seeing the counsellor will not be shared.

The counselling service helps pupils to deal more effectively with day-to-day challenges and provides support to cope with specific emotional difficulties. The counsellor can address a wide range of issues and offers a bespoke service to provide a holistic, flexible, non-judgmental, empathic and personalised service without judgement. For further information please contact our school counsellor at counsellor@dls-jersey.co.uk or via College reception on 754100.

Gizmo the Therapy Dog

Gizmo is a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel and he is a working dog, supporting students with their emotional wellbeing. Gizmo lives and works with Catherine, our school counsellor, and he now has 6 years of experience as a working dog with our students. Our school is extremely lucky to have Gizmo as he and Catherine are the only working therapy team on Island, and he is currently the only working dog insured to practice in this manner on Island.

Gizmo was selected specifically for Mrs Halliwell and his future role in Canine-Assisted Animal Therapy. Using a canine aims to improve a person's social, cognitive and emotional functioning and to help increase the connection between student and counsellor.





COLLEGE CHAPLAIN

Message from Chaplain Nick Le Cornu

As Chaplain and as an ordained member of the Roman Catholic Clergy in Jersey, I am here at the college first of all to serve in whatever way I can. To propose, rather than impose, a spirituality which will help our students as well as staff in a world that is getting louder and louder, busier and busier. I believe that it is so important for the boys to find peace and quiet in their lives.

Jesus calls us to pray. The chapel is always available for the boys to use, especially during times when they need to be away from the stresses of the day, or if they just need a chat with a member of the Chaplaincy team.



Lasallian Values

De La Salle is a Christian school within the Lasallian family of schools. We are distinguished as being a small, outward-looking community that also shares a history and common values with our international counterparts.

Our Ethos is very important to us and we believe it makes us unique. The young men we nurture are outstanding ambassadors for the younger generation and invaluable contributors to the local community. The Ethos of the school creates our strong sense of community; the culture is one of caring for others, reaching for excellence by trying one's best, and recognising that success can be measured academically and in a wide variety of other ways.

Although De La Salle College in Jersey was founded just over 100 years ago, the great history of the De La Salle College spans all the way to the late 1600s, with Saint Jean Baptiste de La Salle. Jean's sense of vocation led him to choose to be a priest and started to get involved with organising schools for the street kids of France.

The Five Lasallian Values:





WELLBEING SPACES

The Chapel

It is a place of silence and reflection where they can come and escape from the noise of the world outside. Whether it be to pray or just to take a break from the noise of everyday life the chapel is the ideal refuge for our students. There are regular services for all of our college community including, eucharistic adoration and Mass and regular devotions such as praying the rosary or praying of the divine office.



The Cedar Room

Whether you are looking for a place to relax between lessons or a place to meet and make new friends. The Cedar Room is a space for students to come and be themselves. We will be running many student focused groups from this room. Groups that allow students to explore the deep questions, have their voices heard and meet new people that are part of the same community. The Cedar Room is place dedicated to the flourishing and growth of each individual in our community.

The LSC

The Learning Support Centre is designed as a welcoming haven for students seeking a quieter, more relaxed environment during break times and lunchtimes. It offers a space where students can unwind, socialise, and engage in various activities away from the hustle and bustle of the playground areas.

The LSC is an inclusive and resource-rich space designed to cater to the diverse needs of students. Whether they are looking to relax, engage in fun activities, read, use technology, or focus on their homework, the centre provides a supportive environment to enhance their school experience.

The LSC offers:

- Relaxation areas
- Lunchtime Activities
- Reading and Technology Resources
- Homework clubs





ABSENCE & ILLNESS

Absence

Sometimes exceptional circumstances such as illness can lead to absence. Please email absence@dls-jersey.co.uk as early as possible to notify the College, or telephone 754100. Or complete our online form at <https://www.dls-jersey.co.uk/absence/>

For any planned absence (such as a doctor or dentist appointment) please email absence@dls-jersey.co.uk in advance of the appointment so that the absence can be noted and authorised. Written confirmation of authorisation will be provided to you.

Please remember to always sign out before leaving the school premises during the school day and to sign back in on your return.

Leave of absence during term-time is disruptive to your education and can only be authorised in advance by the Head of College. We realise that family circumstances sometimes make it unavoidable. If this is the case please submit your request to the above email address. It is advised that this is done prior to making any booking in case the request cannot be authorised. As part of our duty of care and statutory obligations as an educational institution, we emphasise the importance of school attendance and minimising absence from school.

Injury

If you are hurt in school a teacher must be informed. If it is at break time, then tell the duty teacher or any available member of staff. First aid help is available in the School Office area but patient medicines cannot be administered.

In the unfortunate event of an injury at school, your parents would be informed immediately and if you needed hospital treatment a member of staff would accompany you.

Should you be taken ill during the school day, permission to go home must be given by the Head of House. The Secretary in the School Office will inform your parents and they will be expected to collect you.

Medicine

If you need to take regular medication or use an inhaler, your parents must inform the Admin Team in writing. An individual medical plan will then be created. The medicine can then be kept in the School Office, provided the following procedure is followed:

- The smallest, practicable dose should be brought into school labelled with your name and clearly written instructions.
- The medicine must be handed into the School Office immediately on entering the school premises.
- The medicine must be self-administered if at all possible.
- You must remember to collect the medicine at the end of the day, if appropriate.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are proud of the wonderful students in our care and the reputation that they enjoy in the wider community. Excellent personal presentation and the De La Salle school uniform are important elements of this reputation.

There are occasional special circumstances where a pupil will be excused from wearing a particular item of uniform and we would ask that parents write to the school to outline any special circumstances to ensure appropriate permissions are given.

Students are also asked to maintain a suitable neat and tidy hairstyle, which is off the collar and deemed sensible at the Headmaster's discretion. Shaved heads of a number 1 or less are not permitted. During the school day, please ask for permission to remove your blazer. Shirts must remain tucked in with top buttons done up. No jewellery is allowed, with the exception of watches, and no woollen hats.

Secondary (Years 7 to 11)

School Blazer
Dark Grey or Black Trousers
White Shirt
School Tie (with the appropriate house coloured stripe)
Grey V-neck De La Salle pullover
Full length black socks
Black, polished, leather shoes (not boots or black leather trainers - please see appendices)
Outdoor dark-coloured coat
School scarf

PE Kit:

De La Salle T-Shirt
De La Salle Shorts
White Socks
Predominantly White Sports Trainers
Blue or black Swimming Shorts
Goggles and Towel

Games Kit:

De La Salle Tracksuit
Sports Trainers (please see appendices)
De La Salle Rugby Shirt
De La Salle House T-Shirt
De La Salle Shorts
Blue Football Socks
Shin Pads
Mouth Guard.
Football Boots (with moulded studs)

Suppliers:

Lyndale Sports (Rue du Grand Jardin, Trinity) 01534 862411 myra@lyndalesports.je
Redvers (Bath Street St Helier) 01534 731707 redversjersey@outlook.com
De La Salle Second Hand Uniform Shop ptauniform@dls-jersey.co.uk



ACADEMIC LIFE

One of the biggest changes you will find in your first year is that you will be taught by many different teachers and in lots of different locations. At De La Salle College, for instance, you will study RE, English, Mathematics, French, Science, History, Geography, Music, Art, Design and Technology and Computer Science. In addition, you will have two periods of Games per week, one period of PE and one period of swimming.

Class Charts

The college uses Class Charts as a means to support students and work with parents with respect to maintaining positive behaviour and to the setting of homework. Parents and students will each receive a unique code to enable them to create a Class Charts account. Signing in provides access to assigned homework as well as any positive or negative behaviour logs or detentions set. Class Charts is used by a number of schools on island as well as throughout the UK. Information regarding Class Charts can be found at <https://www.tes.com/for-schools/class-charts>, and please contact college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk should you have any questions about this excellent resource.

Homework

Homework is set regularly to help you to consolidate your learning and improve exam performance. At the beginning of the year your House Tutor will give you a Homework Timetable to help you plan and manage your time. Parents can also communicate with House Tutors or Head of House by emailing college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk FAO the relevant teacher.

We operate a Homework Club for any boys who would like to stay behind to do work or to help boys who (for whatever reason) have difficulty in this area. It meets every night for 1 hour after school. The sessions take place in the Learning Support Centre and the intention is to provide a quiet and productive environment where boys can make a start on their work.

Exercise Books

You will be given an exercise book for each subject. Please keep these clean and neat. When full, the exercise book will be exchanged for a new one. We would recommend that you buy a plastic folder or wallet for each subject. This way you will be able to keep all of your books and paper for a subject together. This will save time when getting ready, will minimise the chances of losing some or all of your subject books and will keep your locker tidy.

School Equipment

You are responsible for bringing correct school equipment and the following is expected:

Pencils, pens (black and blue), coloured pencils, calculator, 30cm ruler, rubber, glue stick and pencil sharpener, protractor, scissors and pair of compasses.

Some subjects may require specialist equipment, such as colouring pencils for art.

Exams, Reports and Parents Evenings

In Year 7, your progress will be closely monitored in all subjects. In most subjects, you will work your way through units of work and these will be regularly assessed. We schedule termly assessment windows preceded by 4-week revision windows to provide feedback and identify areas in which further support is needed.

In the autumn and spring terms, your parents will receive an interim report based on your assessment results. These will be based on your performance in examinations and projects. The dates for these are on the termly school calendar. In late October/early November, you will sit your first set of assessments. Don't worry, these are positive reports and the main focus of all of our assessment is to help you make your next step towards improvement.

At the end of the Advent (autumn) term, your parents will have the opportunity to visit the school and see your subject teachers. At the end of the academic year, you will sit your Year 7 finals in all subjects and your teachers will write a full written report, thoroughly reviewing your progress and laying down clear targets for your future development.

Sport

Sport is a very important and popular part of life at De La Salle College. You will have one double period of Games every Monday afternoon in Year 7, one PE lesson and one swimming lesson. You will attend school on Mondays in your Games Kit. On all other days (except designated charity non-uniform days), you will attend in your school uniform bringing your PE kit or your swimming kit to change into when needed. The Weekly Parent Briefing will include information about the activities that you will be doing in your Games lesson.

If you cannot take part in Games or PE lessons (for whatever reason), you must bring a signed letter from your parents stating the reasons. This should be given to your Games teachers and you should attend in your normal school uniform.

In addition to your Games and PE lessons, you may also be asked to attend some of the many sporting events held after school and during weekends. If you are selected for one of the school teams, please remember that you must always wear the correct school uniform.



STUDENT VOICE

As a member of our school community, you will be valued as an excellent ambassador for our younger generations on the Island. You remain at the heart of every decision that is made, and the very reason why we strive to ensure De La Salle provides the best possible care and teaching and learning opportunities.

Student voice remains an important driving force in the steering of the school. We assure a rolling program of leadership within each Form and House group, electing representatives as Captain and Vice-Captain, as Sports Leaders and as Charity representatives.

You will be able to volunteer in any of a number of steering groups, including the Leading Lasallian Group, which focuses on anti-bullying, the Student Charities Committee, and the Rights-Respecting Steering Group. These groups are focused on acting as ambassadors to your peers, identifying where issues may arise, discussing suggestions to improve current policies, and liaising with staff and the Senior Management Team to help drive forward future initiatives and development.

Any student who wishes to raise an issue can do so through the form representative on the School Charities Council.

Rights-Respecting School

We are working as a 'rights committed' school with an action plan that reflects our ambition to achieve 'rights aware' status. De La Salle College abides by the principles of equality, dignity, respect, and non-discrimination and our participation is visible around the school, understood and discussed with our students as part of our daily learning routines.

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is central to the Rights Respecting tenet; De La Salle actively uses this shared understanding to work for improved child well-being, school improvement, global justice and sustainable living.

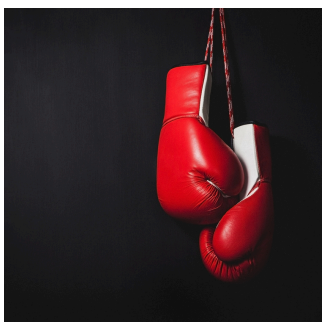


ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Here are just some of the amazing enrichment activities we have on offer...

DEBATING SOCIETY

This is a student led society. The students will come up with the topic for debate, advertise the society and record the minutes of the debates. Mr McLarnon will be supervising sessions, advising students on how to write debate speeches as well as educating them on the debating procedures. There is a Junior Debate Society for Years 7-9, and a Senior Debate Society for Years 10-13.



BOXING CLUB

The Boxing Club is led by an external, fully qualified Boxing coach. The classes will teach the fundamental skills of boxing whilst also developing a range of fitness components, including cardiovascular endurance, co-ordination, power and agility. Exercises are performed at a number of stations, using a variety of equipment whilst also receiving 1 to 1 support from the boxing coach. A great club for developing physical fitness, well-being and learning new skills!

DLS VOX CHOIR

DLS Vox is the evolution of the DLS senior choir. We aim to get boys singing and performing on a regular basis from a wide range of musical genres, such as Pop, Country, Gospel, Jazz, R'n'B and Rock, and we welcome the members to come up with their own song choices too. We will be performing alongside live musicians and doing collaborations with DLS Rocks and specialist musicians as well as the DLS Drama department so that we can take our performance to a new level of excellence while having a lot of fun singing together at the same time.





STREET ART CLUB

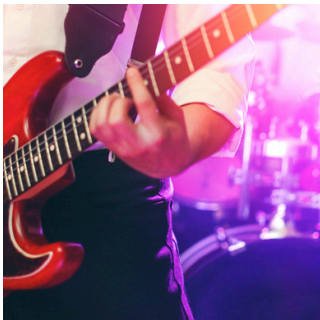
The students are taught by Vince Talcone, a renowned Graffiti/street artist and Mr Pallot about the art form and the techniques used to create the work. They learn how to sketch their ideas and scale them up on to the walls of our “street art space”. Spray cans are safely used and the students are provided with protective clothing. The “DLS street crew” will be actively involved on projects in school and out in the coming year, so we hope to see more students coming along to give it a go.

DLS CONCERT BAND

The DLS Concert Band is open to all students who are already learning a brass or woodwind instrument. It is an opportunity for students to hone their music reading and ensemble skills; performing a wide repertoire of film, pop and classical music with plenty of performance opportunities both in and outside of the college.



DLS ROCKS



An opportunity for students to develop their skills playing in a band and with other musicians, performing a wide range of pop/rock repertoire. There are also opportunities for the boys to try out different instruments, whether that be the guitar, bass, drums, voice or keyboards. The club is open to all students in the secondary school and to those of all playing abilities including beginners.

STEM RACING - F1 IN SCHOOLS

F1 in Schools is an international competition that allows students to form their own Mini Formula 1 racing team and compete against other teams around the world. Students will engineer their racing car and practise their reaction times so that they can record the fastest time. They will also design their team logo and uniforms as well as try to gain sponsorship for their teams. It is a great opportunity to take a peek at the world of Racing and engineering.



Other Enrichment activities include...

Wellbeing Club

Book Club

Global Explorers Club

Cookery Club

IMPACT Club

Mindfulness Club

Drama Club

...plus numerous Academic Clubs for extra support!

FREQUENTLY ASKED *Questions*

Where can I find details about school bus routes?

School bus routes are published by libertybus.je, and these can be accessed through the gov.je website. There are 17 separate buses provided in the mornings covering all areas of the Island, and arriving at Wellington Road or Mont Millais, a short walk from De La Salle. There are 11 buses that leave directly from Wellington Road at the end of the school day that De La Salle students generally use.

How do I catch the bus at the end of the day?

You will be dismissed from your final lesson at 15:30 and should head down Wellington Hill, where a senior member of staff will be on duty supervising and available to ensure you catch the bus safely. The buses will leave between 15:45 and 15:55. Details about the buses that stop on Wellington Road can be found on the gov.je website.

Where do I eat?

Before school and at breaktime you can eat snacks in the playground. At lunchtime, the school gym acts as a canteen area where food can be consumed before going to the playground to relax and play games or to one of our lunchtime clubs. In all cases of bad weather, or if the school gym is out of action, you can eat in your form room.

Will I be able to buy food in the canteen on the first day?

Please see the earlier General Information section on 'Lunch and the School Canteen'. Your canteen card will take a few days to arrive. For the first few days of term please bring in snacks, a drink and a packed lunch.

What do I need to bring on my first day?

On your first day you will attend in normal school uniform and you only need to bring a packed lunch, snack for breaktime, drink and pencil case with the usual stationery, including a calculator. All other resources will be provided.

How will I find my way around the school?

Your tutor will take you around the school site in your first lesson, and there will be lots of help, support and guidance, including your planner and a plan of the school site, to ensure you know where you need to go and when!

Will I get a school locker?

Your locker is located either in your Form room or in the corridor near to your Form room. We will allocate lockers on your first lesson with your Form tutor.

Can I cycle into school?

Absolutely! We have bicycle racks for each year group where you can safely park your bike for the day. Bicycle helmets and high vis clothing can be stored in your locker.

How can I find out about school clubs?

There are lots of morning, lunchtime and after school activities that you can get involved with, and these will start after the first few days of term. We will send an up-to-date list of all daily clubs, including academic support, enrichment and sport opportunities, in the Parent Briefing at the beginning of each term.

Can I start learning or continue learning a musical instrument at De La Salle?

We have a wide range of peripatetic staff teaching a range of instruments throughout each week. Your lessons will always be staggered so that you don't miss the same academic lesson each week. Just speak to Mr Quenault, Head of Music, and he will set the wheels in motion. If you are taught by a music specialist who is currently not coming into De La Salle, we can usually make arrangements to ensure this can happen.

I am learning with the Jersey Music Service; how can I continue these lessons?

Staff from the Jersey Music Service are unable to come into De La Salle as we are a private school and not part of the States provision. Nonetheless, many of our boys do learn with the Music Service, and they attend lessons at the JMS Headquarters after school hours.

Can I join the school choir?

We warmly welcome all boys to our school choir, and would be delighted for you to join and take part in our weekly choir training and our music events showcasing our repertoire.

What other Music opportunities are there?

All musicians are invited to take part in our Concert Band. You may form or join a school band as a guitarist, keyboard player, singer or drummer, and book one of our practice rooms before school, at break, at lunchtime or after school to practise. We will provide all musicians with fantastic opportunities to hone skills, perform and showcase talent.

How can I join a school sport team?

We have a huge number of Year 7 teams and welcome all who wish to play competitively. By speaking to your Sports teacher, or to Mr Woodward as Head of Sport, we will evaluate your level and assign you to a team, with fixtures and training schedules published on our Sport notice board next to the Astro pitch.

Can I wear non-white trainers for sport?

Yes! Our school uniform policy for trainers only requests that the soles are non-marking.

What happens on the Induction Days?

Everyone will find the start of Year 7 new, exciting and a little daunting! We have lots of ways to ensure you enjoy your transition to De La Salle. The Induction Days include opportunities to meet and play with your friends before your first period, where you will spend time with your Form tutor, exploring the school site, receiving lots of information and doing activities designed to help you and your fellow students to get to know each other. The rest of the days include PE lessons and a range of other subjects to get a flavour of learning at De La Salle.

On your first day at De La Salle in September we only have Year 7 in our care. All other year groups will return the following day. With our transition days in July, and this extra day for transition at the beginning of the autumn term, there will be lots of time and support to help you feel settled, make friends and find your way around!

How can I get involved with one of the Student Voice groups?

Our Sixth Form leadership team will be delighted to point you in the right direction, and we would love you to get involved. You also have opportunities to take on responsibility in your House group, as Captain, Vice-Captain, Sports Representative or Charities Representative, and you can put your name forward for election several times in Year 7.

What if I need to ask something that's not answered in this booklet?

Your parents can contact any time by emailing college.admin@dls-jersey.co.uk



APPENDICES

School Footwear

Please note the following examples of school shoes that meet the criteria of the College. In this booklet and on the website it states that boys should wear 'Black leather shoes (not boots or black leather trainers but a traditional school shoe).' Please find below the types of shoes which are acceptable:



Boots or black leather or mesh topped trainers which have a clear rubber sole, and / or clear merchandising branding, such as the makes 'Vans', 'Nike' 'Adidas' etc, **are not acceptable**. Examples are below:



Please Note; If your son wears inappropriate footwear to school, without a justifiable reason, he will have to remain inside his House area and break and lunch times.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact your son's Head of House for further information.

PE Footwear

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents about the need for appropriate footwear for PE lessons. Boys must have good supportive trainers for all lessons, fashion footwear and pumps are not appropriate as they do not provide the necessary support.

As a department we realise that it is becoming increasingly difficult to purchase appropriate trainers that are predominantly white due to current trends in design. As a result, the Headteacher has agreed that boys can wear coloured trainers for their PE lessons and on their Games day. However, please avoid luminous colours such as bright pinks and yellows.



Football / Rugby Boots

As well as the sports facilities we have available to us at De La Salle and at FB/Grainville we have now secured use of the new 3G Pitch at Springfield for our Games Lessons. Education, Sport and Culture are insisting that any person using the new pitch must have the correct type of footwear. Moulded studs and plastic studs (not blades) are the only type of boots allowed. Because plastic studs are not permitted in rugby we would advise you to purchase moulded studs as these can be used on the 3G pitch, on grass and can be worn for rugby. Please see the diagram below, if you require any more information please do not hesitate to contact the PE Department.

Acceptable footwear for Springfield 3G football pitch & ball court.

Studs (Moulded)	Plastic Studs - Screw-in Less than 15mm	Blades or boots with metal or metal tipped studs	Dimpled e.g. specialist hockey shoes	Flat soled e.g. trainers etc
YES ✓	YES ✓	NO ✗	Not recommended	Not recommended

Please make sure your boots are clean before going onto this pitch. Muddy footwear damages this pitch. Thank you.

It is the hirer's responsibility to physically check the footwear of users before going onto this pitch. If a member of the Springfield staff spots a user with incorrect footwear, they will bring this to the hirer's attention and advise them of the increased risk.

Springfield and Sport Division staff reserve the right to exclude any user from this pitch.

E-Safety, Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices

As part of our drive to personalise learning and to support learning opportunities within the school, your child, will at appropriate times, be given access to the Internet as an information source, a communications tool and a publishing medium.

The Internet has become a major source of educationally useful material and the primary distribution medium for a wide range of organisations. The potential to support the classroom teacher and the learner is significant and will continue to grow.

Although there are concerns about children having access to inappropriate material via the Internet, the school takes a range of measures to minimise these risks. A filtering system is in operation, which restricts access to inappropriate materials, and this is supplemented by an Internet safety programme for all pupils which teaches the safe and appropriate behaviours to adopt when using the Internet, email and other technologies.

Where it is evident that the guidelines of the e-safety policy are not being followed, the child concerned will be spoken to and depending upon the seriousness of the breach, appropriate action taken and parents informed. In extreme cases, the child's access to the learning platform and use of ICT within the school could be suspended.

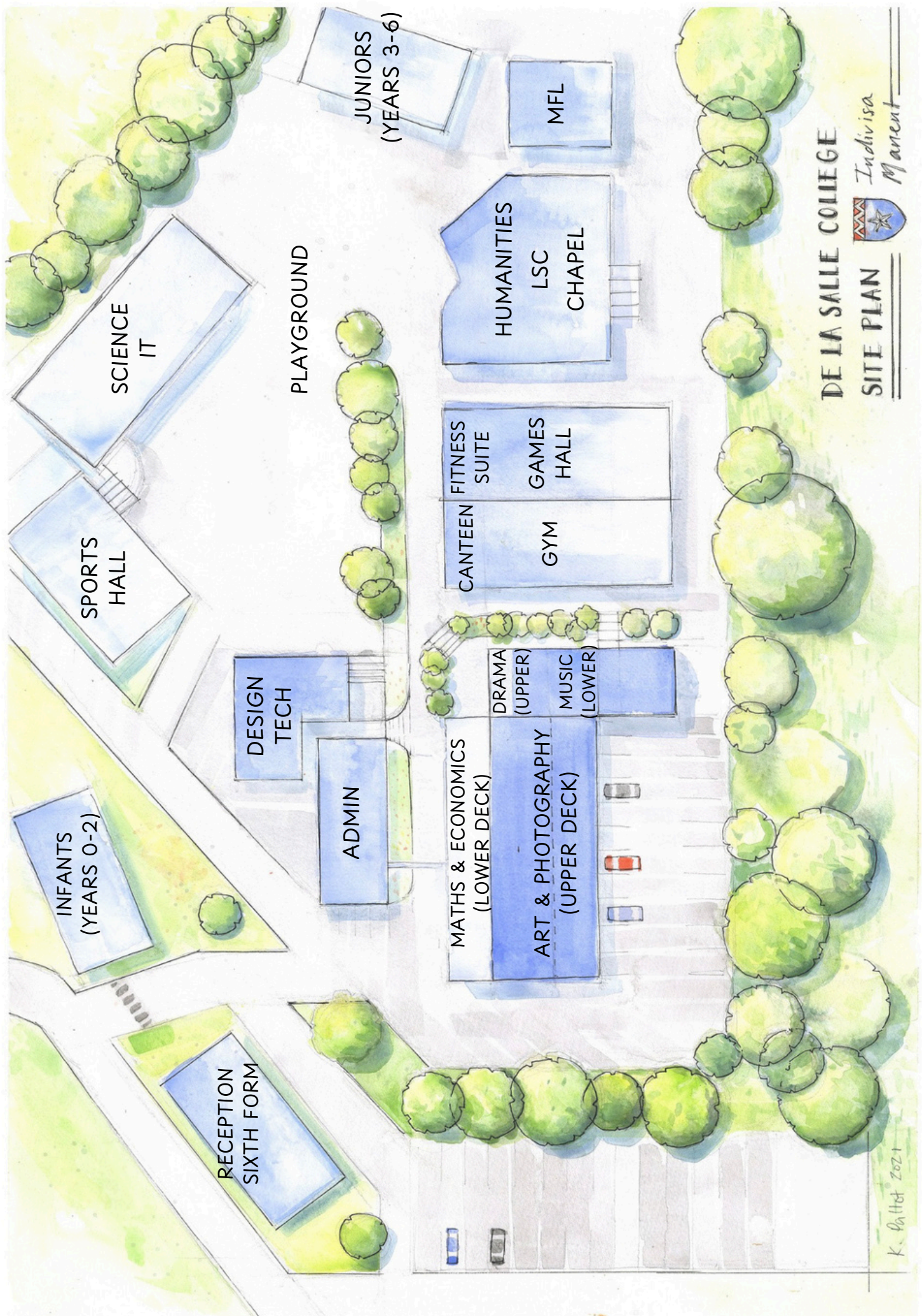
The use of mobile phones and music listening devices within the school is prohibited for our students. This is an important element of our safeguarding procedures. Such electronic devices should be turned off on entry to the college and safely stored within the student's bag or locker until the end of the college day. The college cannot take responsibility for the loss or any damage that occurs to personal electronic devices.

The school's e-safety policy on the use of computers, including the use of the Internet and electronic devices is available for parents to inspect on the college website. Should you wish to discuss any aspect of Internet use, please contact the E-safety Coordinator/SIRO.

Our Acceptable Use Policy for computer technology and electronic devices is available through the school website. All users within the college are expected to abide by this policy.

E-Safety Acceptable User Policy

- I will only use ICT systems in school, including the internet, e-mail, digital video, mobile technologies, etc. for school purposes.
- I will not download or install software on school technologies.
- I will only log on to the school network and other learning platforms with my own user name and password.
- I will follow the school's data handling policy (available on the College website) and not reveal my passwords to anyone.
- I will only use my school e-mail address in school.
- I will make sure that all ICT communications with pupils, teachers or others is responsible and sensible.
- I will be responsible for my behaviour when using the Internet. This includes resources I access and the language I use.
- I will not deliberately browse, download, upload or forward material that could be considered offensive or illegal. If I accidentally come across any such material I will report it immediately to my teacher.
- I will only access the internet through the school provided connection and not by other mobile technologies.
- I will not give out any personal information such as name, phone number or address. I will not arrange to meet someone I chat with online unless this is part of a school project approved by my teacher.
- Images of pupils and/or staff will only be taken, stored and used for school purposes in line with the school data handling policy and not be distributed outside the school network without the permission of the relevant teacher who will have consulted with the data protection officer.
- I will ensure that my online activity, both in school and outside school, will not cause my school, the staff, students or others distress or bring De La Salle into disrepute.
- I will support the school approach to online safety and not deliberately upload or add any images, video, sounds or text that could upset or offend any member of the school community.
- I will respect the privacy and ownership of others' work on-line at all times.
- I will not attempt to bypass the internet filtering system.
- I understand that all my use of the internet and other related technologies is monitored and logged and can be made available to my teachers.
- I will, when using the remote access facility, abide by all of the above.
- I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe and that if they are not followed, school sanctions will be applied and my parent/guardian may be contacted.
- I will not use mobile electronic devices or music listening devices without the direct permission of a member of staff.



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ACADEMIC SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027
TERMDATES

ADVENT TERM 2026: MONDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2026 – FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2026

START OF TERM

IN SCHOOL FROM:	Tuesday 8th September:	Primary School - Nursery to Year 6 Secondary School – Years 7 and 12
	Wednesday 9th September:	Whole College Returns
	Thursday 10th September:	International Air Display (pupils not in school)
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Friday 23rd October -	Sunday 1st November
IN SCHOOL FROM:	Monday 2nd November -	Friday 18th December (noon)

LENT TERM 2027: MONDAY 4 JANUARY 2027 – THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2027

START OF TERM

IN SCHOOL FROM:	Monday 4th January -	Friday 5th February
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Saturday 6th February -	Sunday 14th February
	Island Walk	Wednesday 24 March
IN SCHOOL FROM:	Monday 15th February -	Thursday 25 March (noon)

ASCENSION TERM 2027: MONDAY 12 APRIL 2027 – TUESDAY 13 JULY 2027

START OF TERM

IN SCHOOL FROM:	Tuesday 13th April -	Friday 28th May
PUBLIC HOLIDAY:		Monday 3rd May & Monday 31st May
FOUNDERS DAY:		Friday 14th May (finish at noon)
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Saturday 29 May -	Sunday 6th June
IN SCHOOL FROM:	Monday 7th June -	Wednesday 14th July (noon)
ACTIVITIES WEEK:	Monday 21st June -	Friday 25th June
PROJECT TRIDENT:	Monday 21st June -	Friday 2nd July
TRANSITION DAYS:	Thursday 1st July -	Friday 2nd July (TBC)

STAFF INSET DAYS: Monday 7th September, Thursday 10th September, Friday 23rd October 2026 and Monday 12th April & Thursday 15th July 2027.



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