

**La Houquette Primary
School**
Happy Learning Partnership
School Brochure



LA HOUGUETTE VISION
Happy Learning Partnership



*Successful Learners Confident Individuals Responsible Citizens Effective Contributors
Healthy and Active Safe and Nurtured Included and Respected Reaching their Full Potential*

Welcome to La Houquette Primary School
Our Happy Learning Partnership

At La Houquette, we are more than just a school; we are a community committed to a "Happy Learning Partnership" between staff, parents, and pupils. We believe that every decision should be made with our children's interests at heart. We are delighted to welcome you and your family to our school.

A Message from Claire Judd, Headteacher: "Our goal is to inspire and empower children to explore their potential and understand the value of hard work. We strive to develop happy, motivated learners who respect others and their environment."

Our Vision and Values
Heart of the Community

Our values underpin everything we do, helping our pupils understand right from wrong and shaping the mindsets of future adults.

- We show **respect** and care for ourselves, each other, and our world.
- We are **kind** and include everyone in our community.
- We try to do our **best** and show a growth mindset in all we do.
- We are **honest**
- We are **proud** of who we are and our community



A Gold Rights Respecting School *Our Golden Thread*

We are proud holders of the **UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting Schools Award**. This means child rights are embedded in our culture, ensuring every student feels safe, heard, and respected as a global citizen.

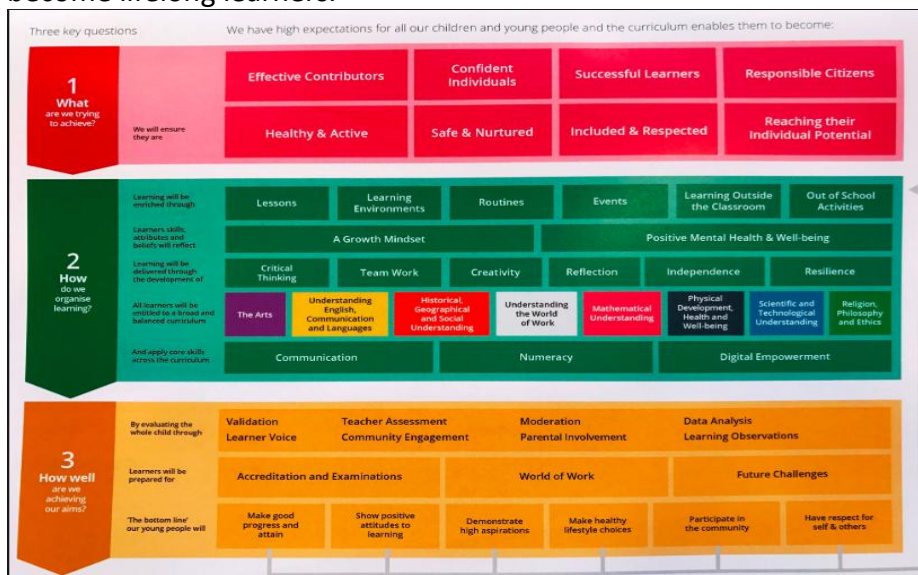


The Curriculum

Our Learning Journey

We follow the **Bailiwick Curriculum**, providing exciting 21st-century learning opportunities for children aged 5 to 14.

- **Core Skills:** We focus on developing excellence in Communication, Numeracy, and Digital Competency.
- **Areas of Learning:** From the arts to scientific discovery, our curriculum is designed to ignite curiosity and creativity while ensuring a balanced breadth of experience.
- **Life Skills:** We value attributes like resilience, reflection, and teamwork to help children become lifelong learners.





Beyond the Classroom

Real-world learning, lifetime impact

- **Digital Learning:** We use iPads and laptops to teach children how to be responsible and safe digital citizens.
- **Off-Site Trips:** We take every opportunity to extend learning outside school, from local parish walks to residential trips.
- **Clubs & Extracurriculars:** A wide variety of lunchtime and after-school clubs are available through our staff and external partners. We also provide full support for students who wish to create and lead their own extracurricular groups.

Support for Every Child

We include everyone

Our **Additional Learning Needs Coordinator (ALNCO)**, Mrs. Jeanette Savage, works closely with teachers and parents to ensure every learner can flourish.



A Day at La Houquette

Timings

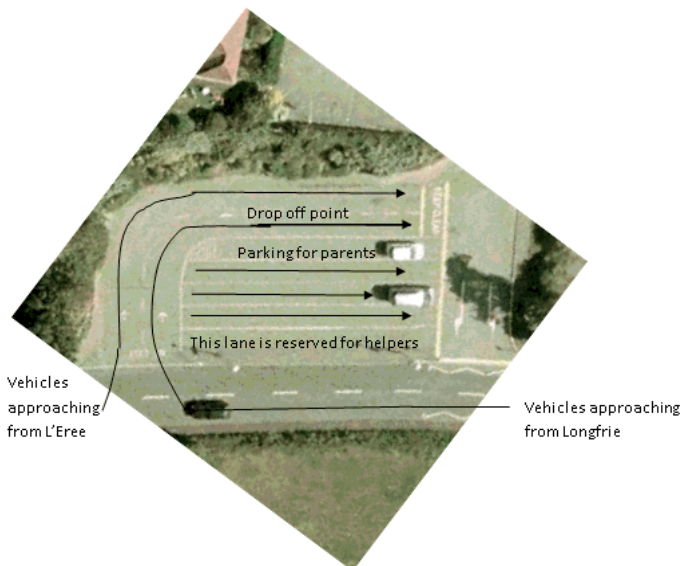
School Hours

- Morning Session: 8:45 am – 12:00 pm
- Afternoon Session: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Morning Routine

Children should arrive from 8:30 am, when our gates open. For early starters, our Before School Club, open from 7:45am, offers a fun space for games and crafts for just £1.75 per session. Enquire at the school office.

Safe Arrival and Departure



- **Drop-off:** Use the two inside lanes closest to the school for a quick, safe drop-off.
- **Pick-up:** Gates open at 2:40 pm for parking on the junior playground. Please remain at your car until instructed to move by our staff to keep all children safe.
- **Bus Service:** A free bus service is available; please contact the office for routes and to sign the bus agreement.

Healthy Living and Well-being

- **Snacks & Lunch:** We encourage healthy habits with ONLY fruit or vegetable snacks for playtimes and healthy packed lunches.
- **Hydration:** Please provide a named water bottle for your child to use throughout the day.
- **Birthdays:** To keep us healthy, we ask that you do not bring cakes for birthdays; instead, children may wear their own clothes on their special day.
- **Medical Care:** If your child requires medicine at school, please complete an authorisation form at the school office.
- **Emergency Department and Dental Care Policy:** Please be aware that Emergency Department visits now incur a £25 fee, payable at the time of consultation, unless you are on income support; however, the Education department continues to cover the cost of emergency ambulance transport if not otherwise insured. Additionally, all children resident in Guernsey, Herm, and Alderney are entitled to one annual free dental check-up, which can be booked by quoting your child's 'GY' social insurance number.

Essential Practicalities

School Uniform

We take pride in our school dress code.

- **Daily Wear:** Grey skirts, pinafores, or trousers with blue sweatshirts or cardigans and white polo shirts.
- **PE Kit:** House-coloured T-shirt and black shorts in a named drawstring bag.
- **Swimming:** A swimming cap in your child's house colour is required for all lessons.
- **Second Hand:** Quality used uniforms are available through the PTA.
- **Jewellery:** For health and safety reasons, we strongly discourage jewellery. Pupils may wear watches and simple stud earrings, provided they are removed independently for all PE and swimming activities. Please avoid piercings during term time, as they must be

removed for physical education, and contact the school office regarding any specific medical or religious requirements.

- **Mobile Phones:** Mobile phones are NOT permitted at school or on the buses.

PLEASE NAME ALL ITEMS OF BELONGINGS!

These items are available to buy from the office: -

- Swimming Caps £4.00
- Baseball Caps £6.00
- Book Bags £6.00
- Sports Bags (drawstring) £6.00

Communication

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- **Class Dojo:** Our primary tool for sharing photos, videos, and daily updates from the classroom.
- **Permissions:** To ensure we have your consent, please sign the media permission form upon your child's enrolment, which allows us to feature photos in school communications (dojo), social media, and local press. We strictly adhere to these permissions and will never use your child's image without your prior written authorization
- **Stay Updated:** Follow us on Twitter @la_houquette for the latest news.
- **Reporting Absence:** Please call the office after 8:15 am or email lhq.office@education.gg if your child is unwell.
- **Leave of Absence:** Term-time holidays are classified as 'unauthorised' absence according to Department policy. If you must request a leave of absence, please obtain the required form from the school office or our website for approval.

Joining Our Community

Get Involved: The PTFA

Every parent is automatically a member of our **Parent/Teacher/Friends Association (PTFA)**. It's a fantastic way to meet other parents, fundraise for the school, and, most importantly, have fun!

Contact: ptalahouquette@gmail.com or find us on Facebook.



Contact Us

We look forward to meeting you

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