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EDUCATION REPORT – 18th JANUARY CHIEF PLEAS

At Michaelmas Chief Pleas on 5th October 2022 the Policy & Finance Committee temporarily took charge of the Education Mandate. During that time, here are some examples of the progress that's been made:

- Contracts signed for one teacher and High-level teaching assistant.
- Training approved and funded for our HLTA that will lead to her being qualified as a teacher.
- Our Head of School will be starting her National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH) online with UCL in February 2023.
- We are working with HSC in Guernsey to secure an SLA over their work with our students throughout their secondary education in Guernsey.
- Unfortunately, resignations have been received for teachers of class 1 + 3 and the teaching assistant, but we're working closely with the Board and Head of School to make sure learnings are taken so that we can improve areas within our control moving forward. We thank all the staff for their commitment to Sark School thus far and for what they will continue to bring until the end of this academic year when they leave, and we wish them well for their futures.
- The SLA with Guernsey for operational support for the Head of School has been renewed for this year.
- A refresh of the school website has been agreed, with an advertisement for the work currently open to applications.
- A representative has attended Board meetings, and several enquiries from the Board have been answered and clarified.
- Planning is underway for a joint workshop with the Board on the overlaps and gaps in respect of the Boards terms of reference and the Education Committee mandate.
- Meetings have been held with the families of those children who are due to leave Sark School at the end of this academic year and move to post13 education from September; 2 propositions relating to this are being brought today.

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