

The article below appeared in the Jersey Post - the main newspaper of Jersey, Britain, where Cambridge International College's administrative headquarters are based. Jersey and Rwanda have established close links over recent years with the aim of Jersey assisting Rwanda especially in development, agriculture, education and international good will.

The CIC Vice Principal commented: *"Having intelligent and thoughtful daughters of my own, I am especially aware that in many countries and in many work sectors and in many cultural ways, women are unfairly discriminated against purely based upon gender. A person should be recognised based upon who they are and the skills they have, including their work ethic, traits, willingness to work hard and learn, and ability to carry out a job or role well; nobody should face discrimination based upon gender. I hope that at a cultural, social and work level discrimination will be removed worldwide and cease to be a factor in our lives."*

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■ Her Excellency Yamina Karitanyi speaks to students Picture: ROB CURRIE (30918010)

# The High Commissioner for Rwanda pays a visit to JCG

A REPRESENTATIVE from Rwanda visited JCG last week to discuss discrimination against women.

Her Excellency Yamina Karitanyi, the High Commissioner for Rwanda, visited the school as part of a three-day visit to Jersey to strengthen links between the Island and the African republic.

The students discussed with Ms Karitanyi the Convention on Elimination of Discriminations Against Women and why it is still important.

They also discussed the 'Schools of Change' partnership between JCG and schools in Rwanda, to form

a group of schools all working together on environmental projects. They are currently researching plastic usage and tree planting.

Ms Karitanyi also talked about how she had had to overcome some of the barriers for women in pursuing her career.

She told the students: 'Education doesn't come from Instagram or social media. Pick up a book and engage your brain.'

'Be curious and accept your call, don't fear it. You can only contribute if you are included. CEDAW isn't just about education for girls and women, it's about education for men, boys, for

all humans. Only when we work together will things change.'

During her three-day visit, Ms Karitanyi also met Chief Minister Senator John Le Fondré and International Development Minister Carolyn Labey.

She visited La Ferme dairy farm to learn more about cattle-breeding programmes that aim to boost dairy productivity for Rwandan farmers.

Senator Le Fondré said: 'The visit gave us the opportunity to discuss how we can continue to strengthen the many and varied links between our Island and Rwanda.'