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Introduction from the Chairman of the Board of Governors

Dear Parent

I am delighted to present to you the Annual Report of the Board of Governors for the academic year 2010/2011. It is a great pleasure, as always, to be able to report outstanding examination results and once again this year is no exception. Congratulations to all the students involved and, of course, our thanks to the staff for their dedicated input.

These are the first set of results under the stewardship of our new Headmaster, Alun Watkins, and the School has continued to go from strength to strength with nearly a third of our upper sixth candidates achieving three A* and A grades or above in their A2 examinations. Over 92% of all examinations taken at A2 level were awarded an A* to C grade and, once again, the results overall were an improvement on last year's figures.

Currently, there are some 740 boys enrolled at College and a further 295 at Prep.

After a series of interview boards, we were pleased to be able to announce the appointment of Russell Price, the Deputy Headmaster, to the position of Headmaster of Victoria College Prep following the retirement of Philip Stevenson. We also appointed a new Deputy Headteacher, Clare Hammond, who has a distinguished teaching record at Plat Douet and Rouge Bouillon schools.

During the course of the last academic year, the Governors were greatly involved in cost cutting exercises in order to accommodate proposed reductions by the Minister in the level of grant to be received from Education Sport & Culture. This led to an increase in the level of fees of 3% per annum. Both the College and the Prep have been targeted with a new occupancy charge from Education Sport & Culture as a contribution towards the maintenance of College buildings which, on a sliding scale over six years, will lead to a charge of £210,000 for College and £30,000 for Prep per annum.

Progress continues to be slow with regard to the Trustees of the Victoria College Foundation in their attempt to build four badly needed classrooms on the campus, utilising funds donated during the Foundation's appeal and Philip Le Brocq, Chairman of the Trustees, continues to work tirelessly on this project.

As always, the academic year 2011/2012 will I am sure prove to be as challenging as last year in our endeavours to ensure that we maintain the level of excellence at Victoria College and Prep and you may be assured that the Chairman and the Board of Governors relish this prospect.

Should there be any matters that you wish to raise with me personally in my capacity as Chairman of the Board of Governors, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Clive Barton
Chairman

October 2011

THE GOVERNING BODY

The Governing Body of Victoria College and the Preparatory School was constituted as follows:

Parent Governors:

Mr Philip Balderson		(Term to September 2012)
Mr Jonathan Giles	(Vice-Chairman)	(Term to September 2012)
Mr John Phipps		(Term to September 2014)
Mr Philip W Syvret		(Term to September 2014)

Invited Governors:

Mr Clive Barton	(Chairman)	(Term to September 2014)
Mr Mark Boleat		(Term to September 2012)
Mr Philip J. Le Brocq M.A. (Cantab)		(Term to September 2014)
Mr Matthew Robins		(Term to September 2012)
Advocate Christopher Scholefield		(Term to September 2012)

Staff Governors:

Mrs Alexina Hossard		(Term to September 2014)
Mr Matthew Smith		(Term to September 2012)

Education, Sport & Culture Representative:

Mr David Greenwood	Assistant Director – Culture & Lifelong Learning
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Right of Attendance:

(Minister for Education, Sport & Culture)	Deputy James Reed
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Ex-Officio:

Mr Alun Watkins, B.Ed (Hons) M. Ed	(Headmaster, VC)
Mr Russell Price, B.Sc(Hons),M.Phil	(Headmaster, VCP)
Mrs Michelle Ritchie	(Secretary to the Board)

Mr John Phipps was re-elected as Parent Governor for VC for a further term to September 2014 and Mr Philip Syvret was elected Parent Governor of VCP for a further term to September 2014.

Mr Clive Barton and Mr Philip Le Brocq were invited to be Governors for a further term of three years to September 2014.

Mrs Christine Fletcher retired as Clerk to the Board and Mrs Michelle Ritchie was asked to take over as Secretary to the Board.

PARENT AND STAFF GOVERNORS

Elected by, and from, the staff or parents of students at the College

INVITED GOVERNORS

Chosen by the parents, staff and Nominated Governors in order to reflect an appropriate balance of interests and to help provide links with the local community.

Such members might have an academic or teaching background, professional, commercial or financial experience, an association past or present with the school or involvement in work with or for the local community.

REPRESENTATIONS TO THE GOVERNING BODY

Representations to the Governing Body may be made at any time by writing to the Chairman, c/o the Clerk to the Board of Governors at Victoria College, Jersey, JE1 4HT.

MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

The Governing Body met on the following dates and discussed the following matters:

12th October 2010

Election of Chairman for the year
Election of Vice-Chairman for the year
Elections to Sub Committees
Sub Committee Updates
Future of Grant Funding from ESC
Victoria College Foundation Update
Update on Child Protection

17th March 2011

VC Head Master's Report
VCP Headmaster's Report
Refurbishment of VCP
Sub Committee Updates
VC & VCP School Funds
Victoria College Foundation Update
Child Protection Update
Update re New Head of VCP
Safety Netting – College Field
Development on Bagatelle Playing Field
Cycling to School

13th December 2010

Head Master's Report
Queen's and States' Medal Recommendations
VCP Headmaster's Report
Financial forecasts 2008-09 & financial report to 12.08
Sub-Committee Updates
Victoria College Foundation Update
Risk Assessment and Hazard identification
Reports re Sixth Form
Child Protection Update
Developments of The Francis Field
Dates of meetings in 2011
Cycling to School

5th July 2011

Head Master's Report
VCP Headmaster's Report
Sub Committee Updates
Catering Contract with Jersey Pottery
Developments of The Francis Field
Victoria College Foundation
Child Protection
Alcohol, Drugs and Complaints
Procedures Policies
Terms of Office

This report summarises the discussions and decisions taken by the Governing Body in the academic year 2010-2011.

The Minutes of the Meetings are available for inspection from the Secretary to the Board of Governors, Mrs Michelle Ritchie, at Victoria College, Jersey, JE1 4HT.

POLICIES

The College has a number of Policies in place. These are updated annually. A list of Policies in force is given below. Individual Policies are available for inspection on application to Mr. David Rotherham, Assistant Headmaster (Staffing) or via the Victoria College website at www.victoriacollege.je

Acceptable Use - ICT
Admissions
Alcohol
Anti-Bullying
Assembly and Collective Worship
Assessment
Bereavement
Behaviour
Booking of Premises
Careers Education & Guidance
Child Protection
Complaints Procedure
Data Protection Policy
Departmental Policies
Drugs
Eco Active Sustainable School
Equality of Opportunity
Examination and Test Appeals
Gifted and Talented
Health, Safety and Insurances
Homework
Presentation
Inclement Weather
Learning Support
Physical Restraint
Presentation
Public Examinations and
Invigilation
Pastoral Roles
Record Keeping
Report Writing
Rewards
Special Educational Needs
Staff discounts
Student Supervision
Trips
Visitors, Parents and Enquiries
Work Experience
Written Communication

BUDGET

Financial Report 2010-11

Victoria College and Victoria College Preparatory School's financial year follows that of the States of Jersey and is thus the calendar year, rather than the academic year. Whilst the 2010 outcome is now clear, any 2011 figures are obviously less certain and must, by definition, contain estimates.

Victoria College

The actual carried forward surplus at the end of 2010 was £271,000. This surplus is small relative to annual expenditure approaching £5,000,000 and demonstrates the careful financial management necessary. The carry forward is however ahead of our planned 3% surplus and a reflection of both reduced investment during the year and targeted savings identified during the States grant reduction discussions.

We anticipate that the carry forward for 2011 will once again be ahead of the 3% target as continued cost saving initiatives are required to allow money to be reallocated to priority capital projects. During the course of the year we have also seen the conversion of a new Science Laboratory, the refurbishment and updating of the Music Tech room and various other rooms around the College. We have commenced the conversion of the Media Hut to provide three much needed classrooms for the RE Department, whilst the OVA Foundation project to build four new classrooms gathers pace, and will also install another IT suite in the Science Block. Furthermore, we have completed the redecoration of the De Carteret Block, installed new flooring in the Design Centre and undertaken a refurbishment of the Lower Sixth Form Common Room. We continue to invest in IT with the launch of the new website as well as numerous teaching resources and sports equipment for the students.

Victoria College Preparatory School

The actual carried forward surplus at the end of 2010 was £88,000. Again this is a relatively small surplus compared to annual expenditure of £1,500,000 but ahead of the 3% surplus target and reflects similar dynamics at work to Victoria College.

The 2011 budget anticipates a surplus once again but with urgent capital spending required to develop the school difficult choices will have to be made. The Hay Memorial Garden was completed and opened in June whilst the Art Room, Year 5 class rooms and the staff areas have undergone refurbishment. VCP has also invested heavily in ICT providing MacBooks and Samsung notebooks to year 6 and iPads to years 3 and 4.

Fees

The fee increase of 6% in 2011 was set in anticipation of both the States' grant to the College being reduced and to allow scope for the required £3.5m capital projects at both schools. As this grant reduction has been postponed, the Minister for Education, Sport & Culture reduced the fee increase to 3%. The continued investment in facilities and resources will for now have to be achieved through careful financial management in these difficult times.

The Future

Despite the challenging financial environment both Schools continue to go from strength to strength. Whilst the news of the reduction in the States' grant funding to the College being postponed is welcome, the uncertainty leaves the Governors in a difficult position when planning for the future development of the College, especially as additional costs have started to be levied such as the Property Occupancy Charge, which will eventually cost both schools a total of £240,000 per annum. The Governors are committed to maintaining the high standards of teaching and education for which both schools are renowned whilst seeking to improve the classroom facilities in both areas. They will continue to do their best to identify savings where possible so that the fees remain affordable for most parents. However everyone should be aware that a blend of targeted savings and higher fees might be required to reallocate capital to deliver priorities.

Fee Support

Parents will be aware that the partial funding of the schools by Education, Sport & Culture means that all pupils are supported to some extent. Further sources of support are available to parents and where necessary I would encourage you to enquire of Liz Shrimpton about bursaries.

J M W Giles
Chairman – Finance & Premises Committee, Board of Governors

November 2011

NAMES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF STAFF

September 2010 – August 2011

ACADEMIC STAFF

Gareth C Bloor, BD, MA	Head of RE
Miss Jacky Bryan, BA Hon	English
Gary Burton, BEd Hons	ICT/Mathematics
Brenan F Carolan, BA Hon	Head of Social Science, Director of Studies, Braithwaite
John Clark, MSc BSc (Hons) (Sussex)	Mathematics
Sam Coe, BSc Hons	Chemistry
Steven Cooke, PhD, BEng	Head of Physics
Jamie S Craik, BSc Hons, MA	Head of Mathematics
Joe Crill, BSc Hons	Sport
Peter J Davis, GWCMD, CertEd	Director of Music
Miss Lucy Douglas, BA Hons, LTCC	Drama/Theatre Studies, Head of Transition
Mike P Evans, BEd Hons, Dip.Sport Psych	Head of PSHE, Director of Studies, Bruce
Andy Gilson, BA, MPhil	Head of History
Will Gorman, BA Hons	English and Head of Gifted and Talented
*Mark Gosling, BA Hons	Assistant Headmaster (Pastoral)
Philip J Gray, BSc Hons	Sport, Senior Teacher – Communications
Jon Hale, M.Pharmacol	Biology and Head of Environmental Studies
*Alan R Hamel, MA	Assistant Headmaster (Post-16)
Ian A Hickling, BSc, MSc	Head of Biology, Director of Studies, Sartorius
Miss Stephanie Humphries, B.Mus Hons	Director of Vocal Music
Mrs Gay Johnson, BA Hons Oxon	Mathematics
Chris Kemble, BA Hons	Art, Head of Photography, Head of CCF Royal Navy Section, Dunlop
Miss Rebecca J Linder, BSc Hons	Housemaster
Craig McCready, BSc Hons	Business Studies/ICT
Miss Heather R Medhurst, BA Hons	Mathematics, Diarmid Housemaster
Ms Denise B Montgomery, BA Hons	Head of English and Media and Bruce Housemaster
Andrew J Murfin, BSc Hons	Head of Business Studies/Economics Sport, Senior Teacher – Co-Curricular, Sartorius Housemaster
Mrs Emma L O'Prey, BEd Hons	Head of Theatre Studies
Ms Monica Perestrello, BA Hons	Head of Modern Foreign Languages
Miss Rachel O Pett, BA Hons	History
Andy G Pickup, BSc Hons, Dip Mus, MIBiol	Director of Sciences, Head of Staff Support
Andrew J Picot, BA Hons	Modern Languages
Richard J Picot, BSc	Sport, Director of Studies, Diarmid
Jefferson Randles, BA Hons	Head of Art and Display
Geoff Reakes, BA (Hons) (Aberystwyth) PGCE	Spanish
Steven Roberts, BA Hons, MA, PhD	English, Senior Teacher – Staff Development
*David J Rotherham, BEd, FRGS	Assistant Headmaster – Staffing, Contingent Commander (CCF)
Mrs Jenny A Roussel, BA Hons, M ès Lettres	French/Spanish, Senior Teacher – Teaching and Learning
Ms Helen Ryan, BSc Hons, BA Hons	Humanities

Ian Simpson, BSc Hons
Matthew D Smith, BA
Robin L Stockton, BA Hons,
BSc Hons, Dip Geog

Martyn R Taylor, Cert Ed
*Mrs Moira Taylor, BSc, MSc

Philip Toal, BEd Hons

Ms Valerie G Videt, Licence ès Lettres
*Alun D Watkins, B.Ed (Hons), M.Ed
Matthew C Widdop, M.Chem, Oxon, MRSC

Joining the College in September 2011:

Tom Smith, B Eng (Hons)
Miss Helen Bell, BSc (Hons)
Miss Angela Matthews, B.Sc (Hons)
Daniel Clark, M Math (Hons)
Kieran Akers, BA (Hons)
Mrs Christina Herrera Martin, BA (Hons)
Miss Zoë-Laura Bridel, BA (Hons), M.Ed
Mrs Karen Jones Paddidar, BA (USA)
Mrs Sue Watkins, B.Ed

Physics, Braithwaite Housemaster
Director of Sport, Dunlop Housemaster

Head of Geography, Head of CCF Army
Section

Director of Technologies

**Assistant Headmaster (Teaching and
Learning)**

Design Technology, Educational Needs
Coordinator

French, Educational Needs Assistant
Headmaster, Science

Head of Chemistry, Assistant Head of
Sixth Form

Physics

Chemistry

Mathematics

Mathematics

Design and Technology

Modern Foreign Languages

Drama

English

Geography

SUPPORT STAFF SEPTEMBER 2010 - AUGUST 2011

Jeremy Dyson
Nicolau Faria
Mrs Carolyn S Ferguson
***Mrs Christine R Fletcher**
John Foster
Alan Green
Mrs Anne Harrison
Mrs Elaine Jackson
Mrs Suzanne Job
Paul Le Maistre
Mrs Karen M Pallot
Charly Parker
Jerry Ponter
Mrs Michelle Ritchie
Christopher Rondel BSc (Hons) (Chichester)
Mrs. Elizabeth Shrimpton
Mrs Cathy Smith
Mrs Angela M Stevenson
Alexander Thomson

Site Manager
Senior IT Technician
Finance Officer/Administrative Assistant
Director of Finance and Business Manager
Senior Science Technician
Science Technician
Library Resource Centre Manager
Counsellor
Sixth Form Administrator & Careers
Assistant ICT Technician
Admissions and Fee Administrator
Design Technology Technician
Gardien
PA to Headmaster
CCF SSI and Sport
School Secretary
Laboratory Technician
Examinations Officer
Reprographics and Examinations Assistant

Joining the College in September 2011:

Mrs Tania Smith
Mrs Judy Benest

Finance Assistant
Counsellor

Role Changes in September 2011:

Mrs Michelle Ritchie
Mrs Carolyn Ferguson

Secretary to the Board of Governors
Finance Manager

Mrs Christine Fletcher will be retiring in the Summer of 2011

Mrs Elaine Jackson will be leaving in the Summer of 2011

* **Members of the Executive Committee**

**VICTORIA COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 2010– AUGUST 2011**

Philip Stevenson. B. Sc (Hons). Cert. Ed.	Headteacher
Mr. Russell Price B. Sc (Hons) M. PGCE	Deputy Headteacher
Mr Brian Arnold Cert. Ed.	Senior Management Team Pastoral
Mr. Chris Jones BA(Hons)	Year 3 Teacher
Mrs Sue Cuddon-Large Cert. Ed	Year 5 Teacher
Mr Jerry Curtis	Year 4 Teacher
Miss Chrissy de Gruchy B.A. (Hons)	P.E. Co-ordinator, Year 5 Teacher
Mrs A. Hart B. Ed. (Hons)	Year 3 Teacher
Mrs Ruth Hayhurst Cert. Ed.	Numeracy Co-ordinator, Year 6 Teacher
Ms Alexina Hossard B.Sc. (Hons). PGCE	Curriculum Support & ARR Co-ordinator
Mr David Le Boutillier Cert. Ed.	Literacy & French Co-ordinator
Mrs Simone Le Feuvre B.Ed.(Hons)	Year 6 Teacher
Miss Anne Martin Cert. Ed.	R.E., Dance & Drama Co-ordinator
Mrs. Wendy Pateman BSc. (Hons)	Year 6 Teacher
Mr Ben Silva BSc (Hons) PGCE	Teaching & Learning, Humanities Co-ordinator,
Mrs Jane Silvester BSc (Hons)	Year 5 Teacher
Mr William Waymouth B. Ed. (Hons)	Art & Display Co-ordinator, Year 3 Teacher
	Science Co-ordinator, Year 4 Teacher
	PE Assistant
	Head of Music
	Year 4 Teacher

ANCILLARY STAFF SEPTEMBER 2009 - AUGUST 2010

Mr Carlos Perestrelo	School Caretaker
Mrs. Paula Noel	Office Administrator
Mrs Josephine Cadigan	School Secretary
Mrs Rachel du Feu	Teaching Assistant Year 4
Miss Frances Harris	Teaching Assistant Year 5
Mrs. Sarah Brooke	
Mrs Angela Ellis	Lunchtime Assistant
Mrs. M. de Gois	Part time cleaner
Mrs. L. McCool	Part time cleaner
Ms. I.M. Perestrelo Alves	Part time cleaner
Mrs. M.I. P. Marques	Part time cleaner

CURRICULUM

Victoria College

In Years 7 and 8 students continued to broadly follow the Jersey Curriculum including Food Technology delivered at JCG and 2 hours a week of timetabled sport with many opportunities for extra curricular work. A comprehensive PHSE programme is delivered as part of the pastoral curriculum covering diverse areas such as self esteem, personal safety and local government.

In Year 9 students experience GCSE content and delivery styles in all subjects including ICT. We feel giving the students an early diet of more advanced work best suits our needs and gives all students experience of a subject at GCSE before they opt to take it for a further 2 years in Years 10 and 11.

The enhanced 'Option System' is continuing to allow for personalised choices of GCSE study, meaning students can select their subjects to meet individual needs. We continue to suggest that students take the 3 Sciences but only insist they take 2. All of our students study at least one language. The controlled assessment element of GCSE subjects had a significant impact in most subjects and IT facilities have been expanded to accommodate the increased demands. PE and Art had mixed results in the Dual and Double award GCSE and are looking at tailoring the number of GCSE awards to suit the strengths of their candidates. The new Astronomy GCSE taken by some students as an extra curricular activity produced superb results with all students getting an A* or A grade. The curriculum at GCSE is complimented with the addition of the CCF on a Friday and Wednesday afternoons. Cadets' volunteer in large numbers and the CCF continues to excel and gain national awards from this enriching addition to our curriculum. Many subjects offer extra curricular activities providing support and extension work to students showing an interest in that area.

At KS5 the number of students in the sixth form remains high. In the Sixth Form we have build closer links with JCG and Beaulieu, sharing the teaching of Music and Spanish. We are now the sole provider of Economics and Business Studies for JCG students that wish to study this subject. The Enrichment Programme is an excellent collection of activities adding enormous value and diversity to the learning and experiential diets of the 6th Form. As well as this programme our Friday Activities programme for the Sixth Form students offers further opportunity to widen their experiences beyond the academic via a number of activities including CCF, Duke of Edinburgh Award, Work Shadowing, Community Service, Games, and Young Enterprise to name but a few.

Victoria College Preparatory School

The Curriculum at Victoria College Preparatory School is both broad and balanced. Literacy, Numeracy and Science form the core and are supported by a host of foundation subjects. Music and Physical Education are taught by specialist staff. Pupils begin French in Year four. Design and Technology takes place in a custom built workshop during one whole week each term for every class.

A wide range of extra-curricular activities provides extra opportunities and experience. There is an impressive range of after school activities which include football, rugby, hockey, chess, art, music, guitar, drumming, fencing, Brazilian football and drama.

In all subjects monitoring of standards and progress occurs each term, along with classroom observations. A rolling programme ensures that all subjects have a regular internal or external audit.

SCHOOL ROLL and ATTENDANCE

Victoria College

The computerised registration continues to help improve the attendance statistics Overall attendance for Victoria College continues to be high at 92.5%. At Key Stage 3 (Years 7 to 9) there was 3.78 % authorised and 0.15% unauthorised absences. At Key Stage 4 (Years 10 and 11) there was 7.89% authorised and 0.27% unauthorised absences.

Victoria College Preparatory School

Roll:

The roll stands at 291 with enquiries and interest for places remaining strong.

Leavers/New Entrants after November 2010

We had 15 leavers and 12 arrivals since November 2010

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOUR

Victoria College

At Victoria College we are committed to promoting the highest standards of behaviour and to ensuring those standards of behaviour are monitored and maintained so that the stated aims of the College can be achieved. It is crucial that we foster and develop an atmosphere in which pupils can learn; that we create a climate in which pupils not only know exactly what standards of behaviour are required but appreciate that it is one in which relationships are based on mutual respect. To this end students are made aware of behavioural expectations in a number of ways with the result that the behaviour of the vast majority of students continues to be exemplary. Staff who take off island tours and educational visits are frequently complemented on the high standards of behaviour displayed by College students. Mark Gosling will continue to monitor behaviour and standards during the academic year 2011-2012.

Victoria College Preparatory School

Victoria College Preparatory School recognises the value of positive behaviour and seeks to encourage the use of positive statements in the education of the children. Positive behaviour is rewarded through the House Point system. Pupils can earn credits for good behaviour, for being caring and considerate as well as for their work. Credits are accumulated each half-term and unite the pupils in doing the best for their House.

Pupils are part of the rule-making process through the School Council and are responsible for the Code of Conduct which is reviewed at the start of each academic year.

The Behaviour Policy sets out a framework for the creation of a happy, secure and orderly environment in which children can learn and develop as thoughtful and responsible people. The Policy is reviewed annually to ensure that the procedures are effective in maintaining the high standards expected.

Year 11 GCSE Summer 2011 – Analysis by subject

Subject	Total\entry	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F		A*-C	A*-G
Art	27	9	7	9	2	0	0	0		27	27
Art & Design	16	12	2	2	0	0	0	0		16	16
Astronomy	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0		5	5
Biology	98	38	26	23	10	1	0	0		97	98
Chemistry	80	37	27	10	5	1	0	0		79	80
Design and Technology	30	4	10	12	4	0	0	0		30	30
Drama	31	0	11	8	10	2	0	0		29	31
Eng Lit	107	13	26	35	24	7	1	1		98	107
English	107	19	36	40	11	1	0	0		106	107
French	98	12	22	26	17	19	2	0		77	98
Geography	43	8	12	9	9	4	1	0		38	43
History	67	25	15	15	8	3	1	0		63	67
Information Technology	37	9	13	11	4	0	0	0		37	37
Latin	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		0	1
Mathematics	107	28	38	23	17	1	0	0		106	107
Music	13	6	5	1	0	1	0	0		12	13
Physics	79	35	22	15	4	3	0	0		76	79
Religious Education	102	6	27	27	26	12	4	0		86	102
Spanish	22	14	4	4	0	0	0	0		22	22
Sport Studies	72	9	19	26	16	2	0	0		70	72
Totals	1142	287	324	296	167	57	10	1		1074	1142
% of Total		25.1	28.4	25.9	14.6	5	0.9	0.1		94	100

Year 13 Exam Results Summer 2011 – Analysis by Subject									
Subject	Total\Entry	A Level\A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	A*-E
Art	9	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	9
Biology	21	3	10	3	3	2	0	0	21
Business Studies	8	0	1	3	1	2	1	0	8
Chemistry	29	2	12	6	7	2	0	0	29
Design and Technology	12	0	1	6	4	1	0	0	12
Drama	7	0	4	1	2	0	0	0	7
Economics	11	2	7	1	1	0	0	0	11
Eng Lit	39	1	12	12	11	2	1	0	39
French	8	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	8
Further Maths	7	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	7
Geography	5	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	5
History	22	4	6	8	4	0	0	0	22
Information Technology	6	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	6
Mathematics	35	9	12	8	5	1	0	0	35
Media Studies	12	2	1	1	6	1	1	0	12
Music	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	4
Music Technology	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Photography	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
Physical Education	15	1	5	6	2	0	1	0	15
Physics	18	3	4	6	3	1	1	0	18
Psychology	19	1	3	5	7	2	1	0	19
Religious Education	9	3	0	6	0	0	0	0	9
Spanish	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Totals	303	43	94	82	59	19	6	0	303
% of Total		14.19	31.02	27.06	19.47	6.27	1.98	0	100

ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic

The overall A2 pass rate was 100% with 92% of these results graded A* to C. Nearly a third of the Upper Sixth Formers gained three or more A*/A grades at A2. 10 boys achieved 4 A*/A grades. Particularly encouraging is the scale of success of the new A* grade, which has been awarded at A2 for the second year. This year, over 13% of all entries were awarded A* with 45% of all examinations entered receiving an A* or A grade.

At GCSE, there was a 100% pass rate, with over a quarter of all examinations taken receiving the top A* grade. 54% of all examinations taken were awarded A* or A grades. Well over half the year group obtained 5 or more A* and A grades and 28 boys achieved the gold standard of 10 or more A* and A grades.

We were especially pleased with our Science results for Year 10 boys who sat these examinations early. All entered GCSE Biology, Chemistry and Physics and the results achieved were 50 A* and 10 A grades.

Combined Cadet Force

In the CCF's 108th Year we were inspected by our highest ranking Old Victorian, Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Alcock. It was a delight to see him back at his old school once again. The RAF Section were runners up in the CCF (RAF) National Final in March 2011. Cadets Campbell Dixon and Edward Egre were selected for the GB Atheling Team in Canada and CWO James Howard awarded a Geoffrey De Havilland medal.

February half term, saw 12 cadets undertake a week in the Arctic on a Nordic Challenge.

Staff

At the end of the academic year 2010/11 we said farewell to Mr John Clark, Head of Mathematics after 12 years, Mr Geoff Reakes, Head of Spanish after 36 years, Mrs Christine Fletcher, Business Manager after 11 years, Mr Keith Baddeley, Head of Physics, after 10 years and Mrs Ramsden, Teacher of Mathematics and Assistant Head of Sixth Form, after 12 years. We also said goodbye to Mr David Dowson, Head of Media after 2 years, Mrs Nicole Pope, Teacher of Science, after 1 year, Mr Mick Johnson, Teacher of Design Technology, after 3 years,

New teachers joining the College in September 2010 were Mr Alun Watkins, Headmaster, Samuel Coe, Chemistry Joseph Crill, P.E./Geography, Rebecca Linder, Business Studies/ICT, Rachel Pett, History, Nicole Pope, Science, Helen Ryan, Art/RE/English.

Art

Strong results gained at GCSE, AS and A2 level with a healthy proportion of students gaining 100% in the various components. In particular, Jack Gibbs in the Upper VI and Rudi Howard and Fredric Seymour in the Lower VI continued to produce excellent work in their respective A' level years.

The OCR moderator recognized their portfolios as being of an excellent standard nationally and praised the students for the ambitiousness and professionalism of their project work.

Chris Kemble continues to deliver an AS Photography course as part of the Sixth Form Enrichment Program with the majority of boys achieving A's and B's. This creative and technical course continues to gain in popularity, especially with the Art students but also with non art specialists who now have the opportunity to develop an aspect of their visual creativity. When one considers that these grades are attained by students who only have one designated lesson per week, it is testament to Chris's hard work and preparedness to help his students at any time, even during his non contact periods.

This year we have piloted the teaching of two GCSE disciplines concurrently – Fine Art and Critical and Contextual Studies (artist based study). This was a great success, resulting in twelve students achieving high GCSE grades in both. As this was a pilot we anticipate more success next year.

For the past ten years, at the end of the summer term, Victoria College and Jersey College for Girls have held a joint A' level Sixth form art exhibition at The Falle Fine Art Gallery. This was made possible by John Falle who retired earlier in the year, so consequently has come to an end. Both departments are hugely indebted to John - his unstinting support and dedication gave many of our students the opportunity to have their pieces displayed in a professional setting beyond the confines of the school gates.

Within College the department continues to provide art work for public areas in order to support efforts and to create a pleasant and stimulating working environment which aims to aid learning. It is hoped all members of the college community enjoy and benefit from these displays.

Drama Report

STAFFING

Emma O'Prey and Lucy Douglas continue to deliver the KS3, 4 and 5 Curriculum. I continue to manage the technical aspect of the Drama Department. We run a musical theatre club, and a Technical Theatre Club for boys in order to teach them lighting, sound, stage management and design skills. I continue to sit as a trustee with the Jersey Arts Trust and Lucy Douglas has had an extremely busy and successful year with her extra responsibility for Primary Transitions. I will be taking 6 months' maternity leave from Sept 1st and we have appointed Jersey-born Ms Zoë-Laura Bridel to the department on a temporary contract. Lucy Douglas will cover the Head of Department Role in my absence.

DEPARTMENT REVIEW

In June 2011 the Drama Department underwent its review. Our internal panel consisted of Jenny Roussel, Steve Roberts and Jefferson Randles, reporting to Moira Taylor and Mr Watkins. Lucy and I were each observed twice by these colleagues on separate occasions as we taught a range of Key Stage classes. Students from across the year groups were interviewed as well. At the end of June we were joined for 2 days by UK OFSTED inspector Philip Winch who spent a great deal of time with us going over all our policies and procedures for teaching and learning, watching lessons and looking specifically at the development of our questioning style in class. Lucy and I were thrilled with the positive feedback we received from Mr Winch who was very complimentary

about the work he had seen in this busy department. Full details of the report will soon be available via the Headmaster although Winch's main areas of concern related to the appalling teaching conditions that we worked in and how much more could be achieved by our successful team if these matters were addressed.

EXAMINATION CLASSES

We have come to the end of the first year of our shared A level group which combined students from VCJ, JCG and Beaulieu. Drama staff at JCG taught the practical unit of the AS course while we taught the 60% written paper content in only 40% of the time. This was due to the difference in timetable allocation between the JCG and VCJ. We feel that things went well and at the time of writing we are eagerly awaiting the students' results. We very much enjoyed the mixed group dynamic and would consider this mix again if low numbers dictated. Next year we are pleased to be able to run a viable group within VCJ for the new Year 12 intake.

In 2010 100% of the GCSE group gained grades A*-C, with almost 60% of those gaining A*-A grades. This year's Yr 11 group were the first to go through the new GCSE spec and their practical coursework results were again very pleasing with the majority of boys gaining A grades.

The feedback across the UK Drama Teaching Community on the recent new spec AQA written examination was quite unfavorable and it was largely felt that the questions that appeared in the exam departed significantly from the exemplar, samples and training that we had all received. Whilst our department had done an enormous amount of preparation that certainly covered for these discrepancies, our students left the exam with mixed emotions.... It is acknowledged that this particular cohort was not the easiest crowd to teach, however we await their results with a reasonable sense of optimism!

2010 AS results gave 100% A*-C grades, with 33% A*-A. A2 results (for a tiny group!) gave 60% A*-C (we had 1 D!) with 40% A*-A.

Our 2011 AS group took their practical unit at JCG all gaining A grades. They also left the examination room feeling confident and happy with the paper and their work.

Our A2 group all gained A Grades for their devised practical piece and also felt quite content with their performances in the written examination.

Key Stage 4 and 5 Drama students have attended a variety of live performances at The Arts Centre and the Opera House from visiting and local theatre companies including Metamorpho Theatre Company's "Devil in the Detail", "Romeo & Juliet" performed by Pilot Theatre, and John Wright's production of "The Confetti Maker".

Some students in Year 10-13, including some of our female students travelled to London in Feb 2011 to see productions of "The Woman in Black" "Blood Brothers" and "War Horse" "Ghost Stories" and The trip was great fun and gave these students a opportunity to extend and deepen their critical response and appreciation of professional live theatre.

We also arranged for the students to take part in workshops in London with Theatre Workout – a company providing practical drama workshops led by professional actors. Our workshops focussed on physical theatre skills related to the production of War Horse and on methods of creating theatrical tension linked to "The Woman in Black" and "Ghost Stories". Our technicians again visited Avolites Lighting in West London to have further training on the very latest lighting software.

Locally, we were very lucky to be able to join forces with the Maths Departments across the schools and thanks to some funding from Ogiers we were able to host workshops from world famous Complicite Theatre, in relation to their stunningly visual and emotive production of “A Disappearing Number” based around the mathematician Ramanujan. Year 11-13 students watched a National Theatre screening of the production and then took part in a one of several Maths / Drama workshops with leading actress and mathematician Victoria Gould from Complicite – looking primarily at Ensemble skills, but also at the beauty in patterns, order and disorder when related to visual stage craft.

We again hosted Pilot Theatre Company for a workshop for Year 10-12 this time looking at Shakespearean metre and story telling devices related to their touring production of R&J.

LAMDA

Almost 2 dozen sixth formers took their LAMDA Grade 8 Gold Award in “Public Speaking” via the Enrichment Programme. This was the second year that Lucy Douglas and I have run the course and we were delighted to see a jump in the numbers of boys achieving Distinction and Merit grades. Boys have to deliver 1 formal persuasive speech, 1 informal informative speech, 1 impromptu speech from a list of 3 topics and are then tested in their knowledge and understanding of speaking in public such as the various styles and formats that speeches can take, and techniques such as voice modulation, breathing and body language. A “Pass” is the UCAS point equivalent of a B grade at AS level, a Merit is worth an AS grade A, and a distinction is worth a C at A2 level. We deliver this course in one hour per week from Sept to April we really are very proud of our results.

TECH CLUB

Our group of young theatre technicians is growing in number and they are extremely enthusiastic and committed to their roles. Although Technical Theatre Club is supposed to be a weekly activity, these students tend to spend every spare moment in the theatre tinkering. The boys have taken great pride in organising and maintaining the theatre kit and are becoming increasingly innovative and skilled in the use of our Sound, Lighting and scenic rig. We were delighted, but not altogether surprised to see our Senior Technician, William Burgher achieve offers, (including unconditional offers) to some of the top London theatre schools to study lighting design and we wish him every success in his career. The tech crew are now island known for their competence and enthusiasm and are frequently hired for freelance work for organisations such as Delta, Stage2, La Motte Street etc. I was extremely pleased and proud to receive a letter from Claire Thorn, the director of The Box, a local events management company who organised the recent Teenage Cancer Trust events. Claire commended the boys who assisted her at the event saying that they were “passionate and dedicated” that their lighting designs were “faultless” and “could rival any professional” she had worked with and that she was “truly impressed by their talent” and would have “no hesitation in recommending them to any of [her] contacts in the industry”.

I have had recent meetings with Nick Jewell and with the senior technician at the Opera House in order to make sure our Health and Safety measures were adequate. I am in the process of writing more detailed risk assessments to cover the work that we do in Tech Club.

FACILITIES

Another year has passed with no firm resolution to our desperate accommodation issues. In addition to our well-documented woes, we were struck by a pest infestation in late June in the Drama Studio which had to be shut down for a week or so while toxic substances dealt with the problem. The situation is having a most demoralising effect on this department.

PRODUCTIONS

House Plays

We were grateful for the time and expertise of this year's judges, Drama Teachers Emily Stones and Katherine Macallister from Les Quennevais and De la Salle. The competition was won by Sartorius House with a riotously physical farce "Caught in the Net" by Ray Cooney, and runners up were Dunlop House with a poignantly performed version of "Two" by Jim Cartwright.

School Play

Our winter production this year was the brand new musical version of "A Christmas Carol" by Chris Blackwood and Piers Chater-Robinson. Lucy Douglas directed the production; Peter Davis and Stephanie Humphries worked on the Musical Direction whilst I took on the role of producer. We cast the show with boys from VCJ and girls from Beaulieu and JCG and again hired the skills of Helen Attenborough to undertake scenic design and construction.

Music

The Autumn Term of 2010 turned out to be a very busy term.. Music for the annual Speech Day event early in the term was provided by the Close Harmony Group performing an arrangement of 'Oh Danny Boy' and pianist Toby Huelin performing his own arrangement of the theme tune to Pirates of the Caribbean' on the piano.

The production of the musical 'Christmas Carol' in conjunction with the Drama Department was the major undertaking for the Autumn Term. As this was a brand new musical, never performed before, there were several teething troubles from the outset. Not least of which was the late arrival of all the band music and the full musical score. Because of this, it was necessary to focus all attention on the production rehearsals and sadly, other ensembles as well as the Christmas Concert, had to be put on hold. However, the musical was a great success and well worth the time and energy spent on it.

The Spring term in College is traditionally all about the House Music Competition which remains a hugely popular and successful event. As with previous years, there were many outstanding and notable performances over the two evenings in which the standard seems to get ever higher. Sartorius House, who triumphed in 2010, repeated their success in 2011, beating Braithwaite in to second place by 9 marks. Dunlop were the worthy winners of the Derrick Cup for House Choirs and Jonathan Labey (Sartorius) the recipient of the Robinson Cup for the most outstanding contribution over the two evenings.

Several of our students once again entered the Jersey Young Musician of the Year Competition organised by the Jersey Instrumental Service. Following on from Jack Chown's success in 2010, VCJ was proud to have 3 students make up the 5 places in the final. William Matthews (percussion) and Elliot Samphier (violin) performed superbly on

the night but could not match this year's winner, Toby Huelin on piano. Jack Chown also presented an impressive recital during the interval of the competition at the Opera House.

The Summer Concert took place in very in May and was well received by an enthusiastic audience. The concert featured a large number of College students across all years, in both instrumental and vocal ensembles. At the end of the evening, acknowledgement was made to those students leaving the College this year who had given such invaluable service to the musical life of the school.

At the Leavers' Assembly, in late June, the musical item was provided by Henry Lambert singing 'American Pie' accompanied by Toby Huelin.

Musical items were also provided as part of the three End of Term Services at Christmas, Easter and the Summer Term.

Science

The Science Department said farewell to Mr. Keith Baddeley who retired from teaching in 2011. Keith has been Head of Physics where he led the Department with calmness, dignity and skill. Keith improved the already good examination results and was instrumental in developing Astronomy as a GCSE subject in its own right. We sincerely hope Keith enjoys a long and happy retirement. We also said goodbye to Mrs. Nicole Pope who was with us for one year teaching Chemistry and Biology. We wish Nicole well in her new career.

We welcome Ms. Helen Bell to teach Chemistry and Mr. Tom Smith who is to teach Physics. They will add to the expertise within the Department and significantly lower the average age. We currently have 4 Chemistry teachers, 3 teaching Biology and 3 Physics. We also teach A level Chemistry to a large number of girls from Beaulieu. This gender mixing is advantageous to both boys and girls.

Results at A level were excellent across all 3 disciplines of Science. 73% of candidates achieved grades A* to B out of a total of 68 entries with 62% of Biology students achieving A* or A grades. These results are the best of any school in Jersey in Science. It is a tribute to the excellent teaching and academic qualifications of the staff and the time they put in out of lessons to prepare their students for these examinations.

The GCSE courses are now well established and results in 2011 were again outstanding in all three Sciences. 43% of students achieved A* grades and another 29% A grades which compares very favourably again with the very best schools in the UK. 80% of Chemistry students obtained A* or A grades and 5 boys sat the GCSE Astronomy GCSE, 3 getting A* and the other 2 A grades. The decision not to enter boys for GCSE examinations in Year 9, apart from Set 1, was justified and resulted in more interesting courses for both boys and staff.

Boys in set 1 in Year 9 continue with a course that allows them to sit their GCSE Sciences at the end of Year 10. This is still a successful solution to the problem of challenging the most able students and results continue to be excellent with 83% of the grades being at A* level the rest at grade A. These boys will continue to follow an AS Science course in Year 11 which broadens their appreciation of Science in a global context. This course is again to be reviewed this year but results this year were the best

for 4 years with over half obtaining the top grade A. This is reflected in their UCAS applications where it is looked upon very favourably by Universities.

Boys in Years 7 and 8 are taught 3 lessons of Science per week, one per separate discipline. In this short time they follow an extremely varied course which helps them to appreciate Science within and beyond the Island. These courses are constantly reviewed and re-written and this year was no exception.

Boys in Year 10 begin the new GCSE courses in September. It will be interesting to see whether the new assessment criteria have any effect upon results in 2013. developments in technology now allow us to use a huge variety of different on line resources keeping the teaching up to date and relevant.

There has been a major investment of funds with the creation of a new lab. This was overdue as many lessons were being taught in classrooms. Now all science lessons are taught in labs. This has put extra pressure on the 2 technicians who work tirelessly to support the teaching. In any one week up to 100 different practical lessons have to be prepared, set out and put away and the teachers are immensely grateful to the technicians for their continuing excellent support.

Sport

The 2010-2011 Sporting year was as ever one to remember at Victoria College as new sports as well as established sports continued to thrive. It was especially successful for the various 1st teams, with an outstanding group of Year 13 boys making us strong in all departments.

Football

The 1st XI lost Lee Burns as their coach in 2010 after 8 seasons at the helm. Andrew Murfin took over the role and was delighted that despite losing a game (the first in over 50 at this level) the boys still went on to claim the coveted Channel Island title for the sixth successive season. They did this by a single point from Guernsey Grammar by winning the final game of the year against De La Salle at Springfield. The annual tour of the UK took in the OV dinner at the Mansion House and saw the boys beat Eton and Charthouse before a final defeat to Kings Wimbledon.

At year 7 level the boys went through the season unbeaten.

Rugby

The 1st XV had an impressive season which saw them tour for the first time. A very strong bunch of Under 18's ensured an unbeaten 15-a-side season with Aidan McGuire regularly involved with the promotion winning Jersey Rugby Club 1st XV. Having beaten everyone in Jersey and winning the JSSSA 7's tournament, the College produced an outstanding display to beat Reigate Grammar 20-5 on tour as well as beating Box Hill by a much bigger score line. They also competed in the Reigate Grammar 7's festival. Christian Lowe was named player of the tour but there were several strong candidates including Will Falle, Richard Sinel and James Allbut who all had outstanding seasons. The Year 9 team played 7 and won 7 as well as winning the JSSSA cup with some outstanding performances from Donovan de Clerk and Jack Goldsworthy

Cricket

The 1st XI did exceptionally well to finish 3rd in the Jersey Premier League. Playing in coloured clothing and with white cricket balls for the first time they were competitive in every match. Corné Bodenstein was named Jersey Young Cricketer of the year, recognition for an outstanding season in which he scored 2 centuries and also took 6-19 against eventual Premier League champions the Old Victorians. Alex Cooke was the leading wicket taker and he, along with Corey Bisson, were both selected to play for Jersey in World Division 6 tournament which took place in Malaysia in September. The College also beat Elizabeth at home and away, the first time they have done the double for 5 years.

The 2nd XI finished 5th of 8 teams in Division 1 and the year 9 team toured England to great effect recording victories over Cheltenham College, Kings Worcester and Bloxham School. In year 8, Jonty Jenner scored a 100 against Reigate Grammar School.

Hockey

The 1st XI did themselves proud in 2010/2011. An experienced squad were expertly captained by Olly Scholfield and finished 3rd in Division 1 of the Jersey Hockey League. Regular goals from a number of players meant that many of the games saw some brilliant entertaining hockey. The team were unbeaten on the annual tour of Bath, but the highlight came with a pleasing 3-1 away victory against Elizabeth College.

The 2nd XI rewarded many years of outstanding contribution from Ian Simpson by winning Division 2 and the Colts got to the final of the minor cup. Year 8 drew with Elizabeth College 2-2 before creating a bit of history at Greshams by becoming only the second College side to return from the festival unbeaten.

Athletics

The College won the Stafford Trophy against the OV's, the Campbell Trophy against Jersey Spartans and the Hutchence Cup against Elizabeth College with some outstanding performances from Captain Sam Dawkins. Robbie Stenhouse was also in great form throughout and his season finished at the Youth Commonwealth Games, while Sam Livingstone continues to make a name for himself on a national level.

The annual House Cross Country took place at Le Braye with Sartorius house coming out on top while the individual winners were Will Cook in year 7, Malachi Mitchell in year 8, Connor Denton in the Colts and for the third year in a row, Olly Scholfield in the seniors. Sports Day ended the athletics season in some style at FB Fields with Sartorius on top once again to ensure they retained the Blomfield Trophy for another year on a fine summer day. As ever there were a number of highlights but the Victor Ludorum trophy went to Jamie Mourant who scored 28 points while winning the senior triple jump and coming 2nd in the long jump and 100m.

Island Games

This year a number of Victoria College pupils were selected for the full Jersey team to compete at the Island Games. The following pupils and staff were representing Jersey:
Swimming – Henry Job (4 x 50m freestyle relay – Bronze, 4 x 100m freestyle relay – bronze) and Declan Bourke (4 x 50m IM relay – Bronze)

Table Tennis – Max Tupper (Men's Doubles – Bronze, Men's team – Bronze) and Hugo Tupper (Men's Doubles – Bronze)

Sailing – Lawrence Carter (Laser Radial Rig and Team event)

Athletics – Sam Dawkins (200m, 400m, 4 x 100m relay and 4 x 400m relay), Robbie Stenhouse (100m, 200m and 4 x 100m relay) and Mr Andrew Murfin (10,000m)
Tennis – Stephen Le Cornu and Daniel Harrison both played well making it through to the quarter finals in the team and doubles events.

Golf

We continue to make great strides in the golfing world and a number of the Victoria College boys now play off a handicap that is less than 6. We returned to the Shire Trophy to try and defend our title won in 2009 but regrettably the weather cancelled the competition mid round. We also entered the School's Cup for the first time which requires a staff member to complete a four man team, but regrettably despite Mr Murfin's best efforts we couldn't add this trophy to our golfing CV.

Ryan Evans and Nick Wildman were both selected to represent the British Independent Schools golf team that participated in the 'Swifts Tour' of the USA. The boys played some of the best golf courses on the Eastern Coast and made many contacts and friends along the way.

OAA

The school continue to push forward Outdoor Adventurous Activities. Chris Rondel has achieved a great deal with Climbing and Orienteering now a compulsory part of the PE curriculum. It is also hoped to make both activities a part of the Blomfield in the near future.

Squash

Nick Taylor continues to move Squash at the College forward and is hoping to enter the College into the Jersey Squash League in the new academic year. A fixture with Elizabeth College has also been pencilled in for Saturday 26th November and Squash will also become part of the Blomfield Trophy at Senior Level.

Fencing

We now have a new Development Officer for Fencing who will be running sessions for College boys in the new academic year and a fixture with Elizabeth is also pencilled in for 2011 in order to raise the profile of the sport at the College and give more opportunities to those who work hard at the sport.

Extracts from the Head Master's Speech at Speech Day 7th September 2010

Demand for places at College is at an all time high and school numbers continue to rise. In 2001 there were just over 600 boys in the school. Today, ten years on, the school role is 736 – the highest in our history. We have the biggest Sixth Form ever and we continue to attract high quality boys from both the fee paying and non fee paying sectors.

Once again, I am proud to report that the recent examination results for Victoria College at both AS and A2 are excellent with a number of records broken. Last years' Upper Sixth was a large cohort of 96 candidates entering a total of 303 A2 Level examinations. The overall A2 pass rate was 100% with 92% of these results graded A* to C. Nearly a third of the Upper Sixth Formers gained three or more A*/A grades at A2. 10 boys achieved 4 A*/A grades. Particularly encouraging is the scale of success of the new A* grade, which has been awarded at A2 for the second year. This year, over 13% of all entries were awarded A* with 45% of all examinations entered receiving an A* or A grade. This is a whopping 6% increase on last years achievements. In particular, we congratulate Robbie Chinn, Alexander Evans and Theodore Wou for obtaining three A* and one A grade and Will Southall, Philip Fortio and Remmi Harris for obtaining two A* and two A grades. One statistic that I always feel is significant is the number of boys that are able to move on to their first choice course at University or move into employment. It is good to see that Victoria College will be sending boys to a broad range of destinations, including Warwick, Loughborough, Exeter, Imperial London, Oxford, Bristol, Bath and a staggering 16 to Durham. As Mr Hamel put it, perhaps we should be asking Durham for some kind of discount. With the threatened increase in tuition fees, this particular proposition might not be as daft as it sounds. It is always interesting to note the diversity of courses that our boys will be pursuing. They range from accountancy to architecture, from mechanical engineering to pilot training, theatre and performance tech to pure degrees in physics, chemistry, biological sciences and mathematics. We will have our fair share of lawyers, medics and even one boy who has decided to study natural resource conservation in his native Vancouver, Canada. On behalf of all the Victoria College community, I would like to pass on my congratulations to last years' leavers and I wish them all much success for their future, both at University and beyond.

At GCSE, there was a 100% pass rate, with over a quarter of all examinations taken receiving the top A* grade. 54% of all examinations taken were awarded A* or A grades. Well over half the year group obtained 5 or more A* and A grades and 28 boys achieved the gold standard of 10 or more A* and A grades. Special mention must be made of Alexander Cornish, Peter Graham and Louis Sangan who all achieved a clean sweep of 11 A* grades. Charlie Griggs achieved 11 A* grades and 1 A grade. Tanguy Tomes achieved 10 A* grades and 2 A grades. We were especially pleased with our Science results for Year 10 boys who sat these examinations early. All entered GCSE Biology, Chemistry and Physics and the results achieved were 50 A* and 10 A grades.

In sport, I am delighted to report that the College continues to prevail against its biggest rival, Elizabeth College, Guernsey. This year we have enjoyed many successes against Elizabeth College. These include the following: The annual golf match, held at the Royal Jersey Golf Club which was won by VCJ 6 ½ to 1 ½. Victoria College beat Elizabeth College in the Annual Sailing competition held at St Catherine's. 1st XI Hockey players defeated Elizabeth home and away as did the 1st XI Cricketers. This included an emphatic victory on College Field when the visitors were bowled out for 73 just before lunch.

Other sporting highlights include the 1st XI Football team winning the Channel Islands League for the sixth consecutive year. The Junior Hockey team won the St Michael's Festival of Indoor Junior Hockey at Fort Regent. The first Victoria College team to win this event since 1990. The College 2nd XI won the Jersey Division II Hockey League. Our 1st XI cricketers came third in the men's league which incidentally was won by our old boys. A number of our 1st XI Cricketers have been selected to represent Jersey in a number of high profile matches and as we speak, Alex Cook is on his way to Malaysia to represent the Island in a series of International matches.

Ryan Evans and Nick Wildman were both selected for the prestigious British Independent School's Golf Team who toured America over Easter. A sort of junior Ryder Cup. Seven boys won the Junior Team award in the 2011 Channel Islands Sports Personality of the Year Ceremony. Campbell Dixon was selected for the British Cadet Rifle Team, "The Athelings" for their tour of Canada.

So, once again, the sheer quality and depth of sporting successes have been tremendous and this was recognised with our nomination in the category of Independent Sport School of the Year.

Drama and music continue to add breadth and quality to our extra curricular programme. The main school production this year was a brand new musical version of A Christmas Carol. The production played to packed audiences from the 8th – 11th December. We were delighted that for the second year running, a Victoria College student won the prestigious PWC Jersey Young Musician of the Year Award. Toby Huelin, who plays piano won this award at the Jersey Opera House. Toby has a place to read music at Oxford. Of the five musicians in the final, three were from Victoria College. Apart from Toby, William Matthews played percussion and Elliott Samphier played Violin.

The CCF continues to go from strength to strength and we support not only the College events, such as the excellent Remembrance Day service, but also Island wide events such as Liberation Day and the recent Battle of Britain celebrations.

I am delighted to report that under the auspices of Jon Hale and his Eco Committee, we continue to show our commitment to the Eco Schools framework. The Green Travel Day was a huge success and we played an integral part in the organisation of this Island wide event. It was fantastic to pick up the Ice Cap Limited Most Improved Secondary School and we were the first school in Jersey to have a travel plan in place. As ever, there have been numerous outstanding off Island trips and expeditions. The 1st XI footballers, 1st XI hockey players, 1st XI cricketers and 1st XV rugby players have all had tours to the UK. The CCF have been to Sennybridge in deepest, darkest Wales, rock climbing near Tenby, shot at Bisley and they also visited the Moorlands of Dartmoor and undertook a week in the Arctic with Nordic Challenge. I am grateful to those staff who have taken trips to Paris, Barcelona, the Somme Battlefields, a London Cultural Trip and a four week expedition of Ecuador, organised by World Challenge. This was a wonderful month long expedition involving trekking through the Amazon, climbing one of the worlds highest mountains, and working as manual labourers in a very remote primary school. It was described by one of the boys as a lifetime opportunity that they will never forget.

When you view the variety of these extra curricular successes, it is unsurprising that a value for money review conducted by two external reviewers concluded that "the extended curriculum is exceptionally rich and diverse and is probably one of the best in the UK".

Finally, we continue to acknowledge the many privileges that are afforded to us here at Victoria College and thus our support in the local community, for organisations and charities continues, unabated. This year we have supported a wide range of charities including Jersey Hospice Care, the End Polio Now campaign run by the Rotary Club, Sightsavers International, the Jersey Mustard Seed Charity, Help for Heroes, Comic Relief, Holidays for Heroes Jersey, the Teenage Cancer Trust, The Sundeep Watts Memorial Fund and Autism Jersey.

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VICTORIA COLLEGE FOUNDATION REPORT 2010-11

1. **TRUSTEES** – As of 1st October 2011 the Trustees of the Victoria College Foundation are **Philip Le Brocq** (chairman of the Trustees and Governor), **Mary Friswell** (former teacher and parent), **Clive Barton** (OV, chairman of the Governing Body), **Mike Labey** (president of the Old Victorians Association), **Jurat John Le Breton** (OV, former Vice-Principal) and **Advocate Christopher Scholefield** (OV, Governor and Parent) **Peter Germain** (Retired member of staff). The two Head Masters attend all meetings.

THE FOUNDATION –

2. The Foundation is a sub-committee of the Governing Body and is answerable to it for its annual budget (currently £25,000 p.a.) and policies.
3. Since its formation in 2002, the Foundation has played a dual role – a charitable fundraising body for Victoria College and a body encouraging communications among Old Victorians, Victorians (staff and students when appropriate), parents and former parents.
4. Since April 2007, the Foundation has been promoting ‘Appeal 2007’ with the aid of a grant of £50,000. The Foundation also continues to organise events and reunions for Old Victorians and produces a twice-yearly newsletter to generate a feeling of ‘family’ amongst Victorians, past and present, and is involved in re-designing the website in association with Webreality, for all College activities, OVA and the Foundation.
5. The Foundation’s day-to-day administration is now in the capable hands of **Karen Stone**.
6. All Foundation finances are now being handled by Moore Stephens and the accounts are audited and up to date.
7. Some £29,000 from the UK Branch of the Foundation was transferred to the College and was spent on the refurbishment and restoration of Sir Galahad and the War Memorial, and the refurbishment of the cricket pavilion.
8. **APPEAL 2007 –**
9. To date the Appeal has raised almost £1.1 million in actual donations, five year covenants and pledges against an original target of £2.6 million. As this has not been reached the plans for the New Buildings have been through several re-designs.
10. These have included dropping the original Prep Project for a more modest atrium for which £90,000 has been made available.
11. Sadly the fine design by Jim Greaves of Hopkins Architects Ltd. had to be scrapped because of cost and now a design team led by Keith Posner and Richard Cheal of ESC, with Architect Andrew Harvey, is working on the development.
12. Peter Germain remains the College/Foundation liaison link and is pressing Planning to make a favourable decision as soon as possible so that we can start building.
13. The Sixth Form extension with the IT and Media Suite on top, has been shelved for the moment as being too costly. We now have in the region of £800,000 available for the new Drama Studio.
14. **EVENTS** -.The London Dinner at the Mansion House in London in November 2010, proved to be a glittering occasion.

Philip Le Brocq
Chairman, Victoria College Foundation