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Dear parents/carers,

Updated PE and Games Kit

In response to feedback from students, staff and parents, from September 2023 we will be launching an updated PE and Games kit at Victoria College. The update is to ensure our kit is modern, distinctive, cost-effective and appropriate for the students to use for a range of sports and activities, both indoors and outdoors. It has also been subject to scrutiny from our own focus groups of students, and the results were very positive.

The main changes involve the introduction of a tracksuit top and bottom, universal PE tech t-shirt, updated shorts and Games socks. We are removing the need for branded swimming trunks and the House Polo. Our reversible 'Bumblebee' Games top remains part of our kit. All other PE and Games requirements remain the same.

The new items will be required for **all incoming Year 7s from September 2023**. However, mindful that some parents will have recently invested in our legacy kit, the new items will be required for **existing students from September 2024**. However, new items can of course be purchased in advance of that if parents wish.

The legacy items will no longer be sold from our stockists or Nearly New Uniform Shop from the end of this academic year. Our Nearly New Uniform Shop will start to stock the new kit items in due course, once donations of unwanted new kit begin. If you have items of unwanted legacy kit, please donate via the Nearly New Uniform Shop bin next to Reception. Our VCPA will ensure these pre-owned items are distributed appropriately to charitable organisations.

In addition, the new kit items will be available from **two** stockists, commencing in July.

JSSK, Les Quennevais precinct - www.jssk.co.uk

Redvers, Bath Street, St Helier - <https://www.facebook.com/RedversJersey/>

We have added a bespoke Sports and PE kit page on our website, under the 'Uniform' tab, which overviews the new items.

<https://www.victoriacollege.je/vcj-uniform>

Should you have any concerns regarding the purchase of the new PE and Games kit and would like to explore possible financial assistance, please contact our Bursar, Mrs Carolyn Ferguson, on c.ferguson@vcj.sch.je.

Some photos of the new kit in action, kindly modelled by some of our current students, are below for your interest.

Kind regards,



Dr Gareth J A Hughes
Headteacher

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