

Dear parent,

## Re. Information Evening Follow-up

Thank you for attending the recent information evening for Year 13 students and parents. I hope that you found the content useful. I was glad to be able to present to a number of you at this early stage in your son's final year at Victoria College.

#### **Presentation Content**

For those who were unable to join us, please don't worry. Please find a copy of the presentation included within the same newsletter article as this letter. Please do visit this to familiarise yourself of not only the key priorities of our Strategic Plan, which we hope all our community buys into, as it was generated by feedback from our parents, staff and students, but also our expectations and procedures. Some key sections to look back over might be the key dates, student advice and policies and procedures such as the prefect appointment process, attendance and absence requests. Whether you were at the evening or not, the presentation will be a useful document for you to refer back to if you are unsure of anything.

#### Support and Challenge

As I mentioned on a few occasions, I aspire to support your son in being the very best that they can be. That will look a little different for each student, and I hope to challenge them throughout their time in their final year of A Level studies. Similarly, I expect them, and you, to challenge us if we have not met your expectations. Parental surveys and other opportunities to offer feedback will be offered to you all, but please do not wait for such opportunities to get in touch with any concerns or queries you may have. Regular and open dialogue between us will be important not only in supporting your son to achieve his potential, but also in ensuring our Sixth Form and our College continue to develop, too. I also ask for your support in reiterating messages from the school to your sons, such as the expectations and procedures I outlined in the information evening. With your support, we can work to achieve our broad Strategic Plan priorities, which will directly benefit all our students.

### **UCAS Grades**

As we approach the UCAS deadline, which 15<sup>th</sup> October for early applicants and 15<sup>th</sup> November for all other students, some students may wish to improve upon their UCAS grade. Teaching staff are providing opportunities for those grades to go up this term, but any discussion regarding grades increasing should take place between a student and either Mrs Murphy as UCAS lead or myself, so that we are able to have oversight of a student's overall academic profile and UCAS application.

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#### **Absence Requests**

For ease, I have attached a copy of the absence request that students will need to complete in advance of all planned absences. This will ensure they speak with their teachers and collect any work they will miss in advance of an absence, before submitting this to me for approval. I have also included a copy of the subject change request form, for those who may wish to change subjects before the end of the month.

My priority is to ensure your sons successfully complete their courses at the end of this academic year as happy and well-rounded students, and I am looking forward in working with you in the months ahead in doing so. Please do not hesitate in contacting me either via e-mail (a.falle@vcj.sch.je) or using my direct number (01534 638257) if you have any concerns or queries.

Yours Sincerely,

Alan Falle

Head of Sixth Form

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