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Dear Parent.

We are fortunate at Victoria College in being able to offer within our Sixth Form programme a broad range of co-curricular courses and activities that enrich the experience of our students and offer useful additions to the boys' CV and UCAS forms.

The Sixth Form Enrichment programme offers a choice of twenty-six courses which run alongside the formal A level provision, some of which carry a recognised qualification. Year 12 students on this programme should commit to two courses which could be for one, two or three terms - some will involve work and time beyond the class too. Attendance at all classes is mandatory. For year 13 students we have made this optional to enable them to prioritise consolidating subject knowledge and UCAS or job applications.

The vast majority of students secured their choice of courses for this year and your son's selection can be seen on his timetable, which should be visible to parents on Go4Schools and SatchelOne. Your son should also be able to confirm to you which option(s) they have chosen.

The College is happy to fund this extended provision because we believe wholly in the programme we have established for our senior students over many years. However, you will appreciate that there is a significant cost involved in the delivery and external assessment of these courses.

Most students have their first choices and a very small number have been given their 'reserve' choice - that being the case, if a student ultimately decides not to complete the final assessments involved in their Enrichment courses, I am afraid that a charge will need to be made to compensate for the expense involved in entries and to ensure that the programme continues for others in the future. The number of those who do not complete are small, but I thought it best to advise you of our position at this stage so that you are able to discuss the need for commitment with your son.

Kindest regards

Yours sincerely

Alan Falle Head of Sixth Form