



Dear Parent,

Victoria College Sixth Form Applications

I hope that you enjoyed the Sixth Form Open Evening on Tuesday 15th November, and that the information provided enabled you to gain an understanding as to what the Victoria College Sixth Form has to offer. I wanted to write to you to remind you of the next steps in the application process and to direct you towards key pieces of information.

Attachments and Useful Resources

Victoria College Year 11 students who attended were provided with an application pack. Inside this pack there is a hard copy of the the Sixth Form Prospectus and the Sixth Form Options Guide. Electronic links to these documents, and other useful resources, are included below for your information.

[Sixth Form Prospectus](#)

[Sixth Form Options Guide](#)

[Subject Overview Videos](#) (please scroll down to the 'A Level subjects' tab)

[Sixth Form Opportunities](#)

I have also attached a copy of the presentation that Mr Crossley and I delivered and a paper copy of the Sixth Form application form. I hope that these documents will enable you to support your son in choosing his A Level options and in completing his application.

Support in School

Year 11 tutors will be also working closely with students to assist them in preparing their application. This will involve conversations about subject choices and a reminder of the various resources available to help make these decisions. Your son will be encouraged to complete draft applications using either the hard copies provided or the electronic copies which will be sent to all students via the Year 11 Team on Microsoft Teams.

In addition to this, each Year 11 student will be given a guidance interview with one of the Sixth Form team or a member of the Leadership Group. We will meet with your son in January or February to discuss their options and to assist them in making informed choices, with particular reference to the January mock examinations.

Students should also feel comfortable in seeking advice from subject teachers to learn more about what their A Level courses will involve. We will, at a later stage in the academic year, be setting pre-A Level work to help to prepare students for Sixth Form Studies. This work will be set during the induction days, which are held shortly after the end of the GCSE examinations.

Application Process

As was referenced in the Information Evening, applications will this year be submitted electronically. Students and parents should use the link below to complete an electronic form, which when sent will act as an application to the Victoria College Sixth Form.

Your son can access the online Application Form [here](#). We would advise students to complete a draft application in advance of attempting this online form. The deadline for applications to

be submitted is Friday 10th February, and we would encourage students not to submit their application until they have received their mock examination results in January.

Once the application deadline has passed, we will then process the applications and invite students and parents for an interview with the Leadership Team, consisting of the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and Assistant Headteachers. These interviews will enable us to discuss your son's choices as well as the progress they are making in their GCSE subjects. We will also discuss our entry criteria, which state that boys must demonstrate good academic and behavioural records.

Parental Support

As was mentioned above, students can prepare for the submission of their application by completing a draft application either electronically or on paper. You can support your son in doing this by reading through the Sixth Form Options Guide together as well as supporting them in writing their application. For example, you may challenge them to ensure they have clearly explained their reasons for wishing to pick certain subjects, as well as outlining their skills and qualities in the relevant section of the application form.

I have attached a paper copy of the application form so that your son can work on this between now and the final online submission date and will also be sharing this letter and the attachments with him via Teams.

Feedback

Finally, I would be most appreciative of any feedback that you may have regarding this year's Sixth Form Open Evening. For the first time in a few years, we have been able to proceed with our preferred method of delivery, and I hope that the format allowed you to obtain the information you need at this stage in the process. During the Sixth Form, you and your sons will be invited to offer feedback at various points in the year, and I would like to invite you to do so now. If you think there were things that could be improved, or that there was important information missing, please do get in touch to let me know. Your support and feedback is vital in ensuring we continue to improve and make progress here at Victoria College. Similarly, positive feedback will also be appreciated so that we can continue to do things that are well received.

I look forward to receiving your son's application and hope to see him work hard towards his GCSE examinations over the remainder of the academic year. Should you wish to discuss your son's options, or any queries that arose during the Sixth Form Open Evening, please do not hesitate in contacting me via e-mail (a.falle@vcj.sch.je) and I will be happy to help.

Kindest regards,



Alan Falle

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