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Dear Parents,

I write my last Newsletter of the year in the knowledge that yesterday, the Minister for Education issued a press release stating that all pupils will return to full time education in September. This is great news and I am already looking forward to the start of a new academic year. I will be meeting with my leadership group over the holidays and details about our plans for our return in September will be sent to parents on A Level results day (August 13<sup>th</sup>).

Sadly we say goodbye to five members of staff who have been with us for a relatively short period of time but in that time they have had a big impact on our school community. Mrs Bridge (RE), Mrs Horswell (Modern Foreign Languages), Mr Richardson (Humanities) and Mrs Madden (Reprographics) have all been excellent colleagues and we thank them for their contributions to Victoria College and now wish them all success for the future. Mr McNally has been at the College for eight years. In his time with us, he has contributed greatly to all areas of school life including the teaching of mathematics, CCF, examinations officer, cricket, tennis, badminton and he has been an avid supporter of Diarmid House. We would like to offer our sincere thanks to Mr McNally for his commitment, time and energy and we wish him well with his new position in the Cayman Islands.

The following regarding school trips is from Mr O'Regan, Group Director of Education:

"I am acutely aware that the issue of school trip refunds remains outstanding as the term comes to a close. We have drawn together all of the issues relating to refunds across all schools and trips and are at the final stages of securing funding to resolve this. The intention remains to provide refunds to parents for these trips. However, we need to ensure that, in spending Government funds, we do so within the powers afforded to ministers. Resolving this unique position has required more work than anticipated and we are now completing the final tasks to ensure good governance. Whilst I recognise that these internal policies and procedures are of little interest when parents simply want the issue resolved, I must ensure that we do so in the appropriate way. I know this is an important issue for many parents and remain committed to resolving it as soon as possible."

### **PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY– Honours and Prizes 2020**

Unfortunately, we were unable to host our end of summer term Prize Giving ceremony due to current regulations. This is now scheduled for Monday 14 September, so we can celebrate and recognise the achievements of our students. We would like to congratulate everyone and the full list can be viewed at the end of this Newsletter.

### **PARENTAL SURVEY REVIEW REMINDER - Message from Mr Crossley, Assistant Head Academic**

As part of our plan to continually improve the curriculum at Victoria College, many staff have been reflecting on and researching other examples of curriculum models at a range of UK schools. The views of our parents are important, so if you haven't already done so, could you please take the time in [completing this survey](#).

A similar survey has also been emailed to your son and so please encourage him to have his say too. Thank you - it is very much appreciated. This survey will remain open until the end of the academic year, with responses collated and considered over the next few months.

### **YEAR 7 & 8 COLLEGE DIPLOMA - Message from Mr Crossley, Assistant Head Academic**

Well done and congratulations to every boy for working so hard towards this. At present, over 4,000 pieces of work have been submitted with roughly 1,000 being commended for their excellence. Mr Crossley will be in touch over the Summer to update everyone on their final totals, and if anyone wishes to complete any few final tasks, please submit them to him by email so that he can credit them. All work will be celebrated and recognised in the Autumn Term and the boys should be congratulated for their phenomenal efforts.

### **JERSEY OVERSEAS AID INTERNSHIP – Message from Mrs Job**

Jersey Overseas Aid has just announced the launch of the new 2020/21 Paid International Development Internship, open to Jersey residents (over the age of 18) interested in pursuing a career in the sector. The deadline for applications is 3 August 2020 and information on how to apply and for the job description can be [accessed here](#)

### **OV MR STAN KEILLER – ‘WW2: I was there’ Video**

Old Victorian and gentleman, Mr Stan Keiller, visited the College back in 2018 to receive the gift of a family chair in the Great Hall to celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Mr Keiller gifted three pieces of his watercolour artwork to the College, which are placed in the staff common room and on the stairs leading up to the Great Hall. Sadly Mr Keiller passed away at the beginning of the Covid-19 lockdown. He was a great source of knowledge about the island in the occupation and featured in a documentary miniseries ‘WW2: I was there’. His video ‘The Vicar Who Faced German Occupation for His Parish’ can be [viewed here](#).



### **DELL DEVICES – Message from Mrs Ferguson, Bursar**

We have reached an agreement with Dell to offer discounts on IT purchases to students. We expect to receive final confirmation of this in the next few days and will send this out by e-mail. The discounts will be between 5% and 10% depending on the device you wish to purchase. This offer will also be open to our Year 13 leavers, provided they use their school e-mail address to register for the discount.

### **CLASSICAL CIVILISATION GCSE– Ms Plummer Senior Teacher: Teaching and Learning**

For all those who have signed up to start the course next year, we will begin in the first week back on Thursday at 3.30pm in H1. All being well, we will sit the exams in May/June 2021. I have added all known members to a Team and have set you a summer task on Teams. Please check this and complete it for our first lesson in September. If you cannot see the Team, please let me know via email: [p.plummer@vcj.sch.je](mailto:p.plummer@vcj.sch.je)

### **YEAR 12 HISTORY AND POLITICS ESSAY COMPETITION– Ms Plummer Senior Teacher: Teaching and Learning**

Last year, we held the inaugural History essay competition. This year, we have broadened this to include Politics, open to all Year 12 students, to encourage the exploration of history and politics in all our students, as well as giving all the opportunity to write a competitive essay.

The titles are below and the essay should be no more than 2,000 words. All entries are due by 1pm on 1st September 2020 and all essays should be correctly referenced and original work. Prizes are £25 Amazon voucher for first prize; £15 for Second prize and £10 for third prize.

Please email all responses to Mrs Plummer at [p.plummer@vcj.sch.je](mailto:p.plummer@vcj.sch.je)

- How ‘Roman’ was the Roman Empire?
- Was Alfred the Great great?
- How complete was the Norman Conquest?

- How religious was politics in the Middle Ages?
- Was the French Revolution a world historical event?
- What was the impact of the British Empire on British society?
- Was the Industrial Revolution a turning point in world history?
- How significant was the First World War?
- 'South African apartheid was ended not by the decisions of a few great men, but by the actions of ordinary people.' Do you agree with this interpretation?
- 'All revolutions are in some respects civil wars'. Discuss with reference to at least three revolutions.
- 'The consequences of not dealing with "hot" monuments properly can be obvious — violence and social discord — but they can also be damaging to societies in more subtle and ongoing ways.(Kit Ashton)' With reference to local and national history, how accurate is this statement?
- Should history focus on the movers and the shakers?

### Politics

"Those who would give up essential liberty, to purchase a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety" How far do you agree with Franklin's assessment?

- Why should anybody bother to vote?
- How has increased diversity in governments impacted on global politics?
- How far can we extend special rights to minority groups in a multicultural state?

### EXTERNAL RESOURCES

You may find the links below useful in relation to issues which may emerge during the summer holidays, these websites can provide support for families and children.

[YouMatter](#) – summer tips for parents and carers [leaflet](#).

[Brook](#) - Healthy lives for young people, guidance and support for families. Free and confidential health and wellbeing experts for anyone under the age of 21.

And finally, I very much look forward to meeting parents and our Year 11 and 13 students when they collect their public examination results later in the summer. I would also like to pay tribute to all our staff at Victoria College for their commitment and endeavours throughout this last year. We have faced many challenges over the past four months, and I would like to offer my thanks to all of our parents for their support, helpful comments and advice which have been very much appreciated.

I wish you all a very happy and relaxing summer and do stay safe.

With kind regards,

Alun Watkins  
Headmaster



## Honours & Prizes 2020

<b>Award</b>	<b>Winner</b>
Queen's Gold Medal for Mathematics	Peter Raimbault
Queen's Gold Medal for Modern Languages	Not awarded in 2020
Queen's Gold Medal for Science	Frederik Meyer
Queen's History Prize - Senior	Jasper Clarke
Queen's History Prize - Junior	Umar Hamid
States' Medal for French - Senior	Martin Haden Kral
States' Medal for French - Junior	Antoine Chesnay
French Consul's Prize	Rhys Thomas
Girard de Quetteville Medal (Head Boy)	Samuel Moore
Touzel Cup (Deputy Head Boy)	Tanguy Billet-Masters
The Head Master's Prize (most outstanding contribution to College)	Columba Morling
Jersey Financial Services Commission Trophy for Excellence in the 6th Form	Lysander Mawby
William Richmond-Pickering Award for Service to the College	Samuel Moore
The BWCI Prize for Best Single Mathematics Result in the Lower 6th	Oliver Cook
The Rathbone Prize for Perseverance & Commitment to Mathematics	Charlie Cadin
Herbert & Edward Major Science Prize - Senior	Oliver Cook
Herbert & Edward Major Science Prize - Junior	Ethan Hilton
Perry Prize for the Best Biologist	Thomas Eva
Le Quesne Pharmacies Award for Chemistry	Samuel Moore
Martyn Devenport Memorial Prize for Physics	Lysander Mawby
Farnell Prize for English Literature	Thomas Bowden
E.W. Martindell Prize (for work on English Literature & Language)	Max Corbett
The Falle Prize for Shakespeare Studies	Matthew Mourant
The Falle Prize for Dramatic Performance of Shakespeare	Matthew Pierce
Kenneth More Prize for Drama	Sammy Cooil & Matthew Mourant
Youngs Prize for Acting	Aidan Carrol
Carey Olsen Award for Public Speaking	Scott Douglas
Huelin Public Speaking Awards	Not awarded
Beaufils French Essay Prize	Joshua Brown
Cadin Cup for Spanish	Tanguy Billet-Masters
Vibert Prize for Spanish	Kyle Fernandes
Halliwell Cup for Economics	Myles Byron
The Amy Business Studies Trophy	Ben Hamilton
The Wherry Award for Psychology	Toby Ritzema
Hudson Prize for Philosophy (Senior School)	Jacob Bell
Hamon Tankard for Divinity (Junior School)	Ghassan Hasan
Carson Cup for Geography	Myles Byron
St Mannelier and St Anatase Scholar	Johnny Wright
Berry Trophy Progress in year 9	Cian Ridgard
Nicole Cup for Design	Charlie Cadin
Alan Baker Memorial Trophy for Technology	Ben Hamilton
Nott Award for Technological Innovation	Kyle Fernandes
Winchester University Award for Best Media Production	Toby Norman
Prosperity Prize for Computing	Jack Rive
William Richardson Memorial Award for Promise in Computing Technology	Oliver Flemmer

Bruce Cup for Art	Wojtek Wiecek
Barreau Prize for Art	Max Corbett
Roberts Art Cup for the Most Outstanding Piece	Oscar Nimmo
Randell Stevens Cup for Music	Lysander Mawby
Richard Hutt Prize for Music	Alex Robinson
The Ernie Mallett Award for Music	Harrison Caldeira
Baxter Cup for Academic Achievement & Sporting Excellence in the Junior School	Edward Rothwell
Agathangelou Cup for Sporting & Academic Achievement	Tommy Boarer
The Ray Osmont Trophy (most promising cricketer)	Not awarded
Austin-Vautier Cup (for Sportsmanship)	Toby Treharne
The Minty Trophy (most contribution to College sport)	Xavier Barette
Mossop Cup (best Senior sportsman)	Tommy Boarer
Le Gallais Cup (best Colts sportsman)	Charley Webster
Restall Cup for Interhouse Shooting	Diarmid (Will Mulholland)
OV Bowl for Shooting	Tom Mulholland
Capt. Mourant Award (best Y9 cadet)	Cdt Sam Oldridge
Nathan Rogers Memorial Prize (best Y10 cadet)	Cdt Seth Ruelle
Col. Blashford-Snell Award (best Y11 cadet)	LCdt Moses Sappe
ACM Alcock Award (best Y12 cadet)	L/Cpl Tom Mulholland
Brigadier Troy Trophy (best Y13 cadet)	RSM Myles Willcox

Falle-McCabe Cup	Braithwaite	H Shrimpton
Stein Cup		M Byron
Year 7 House Points Cup		A Clarke
Year 8 House Points Cup		E Lees
Year 9 House Points Cup		A Pateman
Year 10/11 House Points Cup		A Godel
Satchell and Webbe Cup	Bruce	X Barette
Year 7 House Points Cup		E Keep
Year 8 House Points Cup		F Perree
Year 9 House Points Cup		J Hilton
Year 10 House Points Cup		J Czapkowski
Year 11 House Points Cup		H Higgins
Michael Johnson Cup	Diarmid	B Le Gallais
Year 7 House Points Cup		A Barnard
Year 8 House Points Cup		L Sikapizye
Year 9 House Points Cup		L Kelly
Year 10/11 House Points Cup		C Welsh
Year 7 House Points Cup	Dunlop	B Gurner
Year 8 House Points Cup		H Adam
Year 9 House Points Cup		T Waller
Year 10 House Points Cup		O Drieu
Pirouet Tankard	Sartorius	T Boarer
Year 7 House Points Cup		F Nowacki
Year 8 House Points Cup		W Turpin
Year 9 House Points Cup		L Muir
Year 10/11 House Points Cup		S Hugo
Most House Points		Braithwaite

<b>Cricket Colours</b>	<b>Senior</b>	R Forrest
		P Gouge
		D Kotedia
		J Lawrenson
		B Le Gallais
	J Watling	
	<b>Colts</b>	W Perchard
		K Pullman
		G Richardson
<b>Hockey Colours</b>	<b>Senior</b>	X Barette
		T Boarer
		A Boyle
		R Forrest
		T Heelis
		C Thomas
		R Thomas
		T Treharne
		J Watling
<b>Rugby Colours</b>	<b>Senior</b>	J Bailey
		X Barette
		T Boarer
		H Dawson
<b>Athletics Colours</b>	<b>Colts</b>	M Brown
		J Butler
		M Geddes
		F Lucas

Subject Prize	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 12
English	B Gurner	T Barratt	S Reynolds	C Maloney	L Olsson & H Harrison
Chemistry	B Gurner	A Le Cornu	P Neal	C Maloney	D Prendergast (Beaulieu)
Physics	C Ballands	J Wright	T Waller	F Engelbrecht-Kotze	J Toudic
Geography	A Reczynski	J Le Fondre	A McKeon	W Perchard	J Rabet
Religious Studies	T Morris	H Adam	L Muir	C Maloney	L Harrison-Lopez
Art	M Hazzard	E Clarke	-	W Wheatley	B Hunter
Computer Science	J Riley	C Parker	A Morris	E Powell	T Griffiths
Design & Technology	M Caldiera	W Read	S Mutete	W Howarth & G Richardson	-
Music	D Frost	N Sonteke	L Hunt	W Perchard	A Robinson
Sports Studies	-	-	-	M Brown	J Watling
Economics	-	-	-	-	J Brown
Photography	-	-	-	-	T Matthews