



Weekly Update | Friday 11 October 2019

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Dear Parents,

This week's newsletter shows just how active and involved our students are – both in and outside school, be it on stage or competing in sports and technological competitions. Their efforts should inspire us all.

On this note, I would like encourage parents to become actively involved in the Victoria College Parents' Association (VCPA), and discover how you can contribute and help both you and your son feel more integrated in the school community. Please see the attached letter from Jane Baines, Chair of VCPA, and the notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 13 November 2019, 7.00 - 8.00pm, in the Learning Resources Centre at Victoria College.

We are grateful for the VCPA's support to date, e.g. for the purchase of house common room furniture, art easels, water bottles for Founders' Walk; on events like the Prefect Induction Days; and for running the second hand uniform shop.

Y7 Transition update: Drama and Vintage Sports Day

How time flies when you're having fun. As we approach the half-term, our newest students are integrating well into the school community. Here are two examples of the ways in which we as a school help smooth the transition of our Y7s.

Performance of 'Big School Nightmare' by the Junior Drama Club: Y7 students were lucky enough to watch a performance of 'Big School Nightmare' in their year assembly this week. Directed by Miss Hill and performed by Y8 and Y9 Drama students, the play aims to help support secondary school transition and explore themes such as coping with change and making new friends. The Drama department will be doing follow up work in their Drama lessons and students have responded well to this fantastic play!

Year 7 Vintage Sports Day: Despite the poor weather and having to move indoors, the Y7 Joint JCG and VCJ event was a success. Students had lots of fun disco dancing and competing in events such as: the egg and spoon race, hula hoop race and many more! We are so pleased to announce that the event managed to raise £110 the Cystic Fibrosis Charity. Many thanks to our Anti Bullying Ambassadors for organising the charity stalls and to all the Prefects who helped make the event run smoothly. We hope to put on more joint events with JCG in future.

SPORT – RESULTS

Hockey

1st XI, 1 - 2 JHC Leopards
Colts, 4 - 5 JHC Tigers

Football

1st XI, 9 - 2 De La Salle
U16 A, 0 - 4 Hautlieu
U16 B, 4 - 2 De La Salle

Y9 A, 6 - 4 Les Quennevais

Y9 B, 4 - 1 Les Quennevais

MOVE MORE JERSEY: JERSEY MARATHON AND JERSEY SPORT'S CYCLING FESTIVAL

Jersey Marathon: Well done to all our any boys, parents and staff who ran in this year's marathon. A special congratulations to our VCJ Relay team (Sean Adkin, Will Atkinson, Tom Bowden, Isaac du Val and Sam Moore) who ran it in 2 hours 46 minutes 39 seconds, placing them overall 3rd in the men's team category.

Cycling events: To keep our boys and families moving, we're sharing the following information on behalf of Jersey Sport, both of which are at Les Quennevais:

- [Wheels for All](#) cycling festival this Saturday 12 October, 11:00am - 15:00pm
- [HSBC Let's Ride Pop-Up](#) on Sunday 13 October, from 10:00am -12:00noon

HOUSE DRAMA COMPETITION – WEDNESDAY 23 AND THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER, HOWARD DAVIS THEATRE

From Mrs Ogg: "You are warmly invited to attend our annual House Drama competition, where you'll see five adaptations (each 25-40 minutes long) of plays being performed by our talented boys. Each play has been directed by Sixth Form students in just four weeks, and will be watched by our panel of judges. At the end of the week, prizes will be awarded to the Best Performer, Best Performer in a Supporting Role, Best Newcomer, Best Set, Best Publicity and the overall winning House. Doors will open at 6.15pm each night. Tickets will cost £1.00 each for each House play you'd like to see, and can be bought directly from Housemasters from Monday 14 October. Money raised from ticket sales go towards House charities."

Wednesday 23

6.30pm Sartorius: The Play That Goes Wrong

7.15pm Dunlop: Lose Not Thy Head

8.00pm Diarmid: Neville's Island

Thursday 24th

6.30pm Bruce: Lord of the Flies

7.15pm Braithwaite: Black Adder Goes Forth

8.00pm: Results & Prizes

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Mr Murton has appointed Leo Olsson as Captain of the College Concert Band.

SUPPORTING OUR BOYS

Vaping concerns: In the interest of supporting our boys through a partnership between home and school, we are providing some information via the following links, in response to parents' requests:

- https://e-cigarettes.surgeongeneral.gov/documents/SGR_ECig_ParentTipSheet_508.pdf
- <https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/e-cigarettes.html>
- <https://www.verywellfamily.com/what-parents-need-to-know-about-vaping-4154189>
- <https://parentinfo.org/article/e-cigarettes-and-vaping-a-parent-s-guide>

If you are concerned about your son vaping, please contact the school office or your son's Housemaster.

CONGRATULATIONS

- Harrison Caldeira achieved a Distinction for his LAMDA Acting Level 6.
- Finlay Clark achieved four wins out of his six races in the Jersey 2 Day Motocross, triumphing over competitors from France, England and Guernsey; and won the 'Keen Bean' award for the best youth of the weekend meet.
- Archie Scate has been selected goal keeper to represent Jersey in hockey.
- Oli Flemmer is a finalist in the [Jersey Tech Awards](#), and is in the running for 'Technology Student of the Year (Junior)'.



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