



HOUSE NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2024

Victoria House



From the HM



We are at the end of our first half of term and I could not be more proud of the spirit and family support the Victoria House girls are showing already. We have had some incredible new additions in all years, not forgetting our new matron Jeanette! The girls have embraced the challenges of the new academic term and are in full flow with their new routines. I have particularly enjoyed our House family time, where the Year 13 'Mums' are in charge of the weekly competitions. This will continue to grow, and ensures that the girls are mixing with all year groups. There is a strong sense of togetherness and sistership, which is really special and important to me.

We are all really looking forward to House Dinner on Saturday 9 November, and I wanted to mention that if you wish your daughter to board after House Dinner, then please do let me know. As Victoria is not usually open on a Saturday night, we will need to make the appropriate plans. I will try my best to accommodate those that wish to stay. It promises to be a wonderful evening where core memories can be made.

A message from Eleanor, Bea and Faiza

It has been a busy and vibrant start to the term with House singing, House quiz and many treat Fridays courtesy of Jeanette! Though we did not place with the main song, our part song was excellently led by our head of music, Katherine W, securing us 2nd place, which seems to be our lucky number at the minute as we also came 2nd in the House quiz (starting the year off strong by placing for the first time!) My favourite part of my role so far is being able to see all the girls settle into another school year and watch new friendships form. It is always daunting starting as a Year 9, moving school for Sixth Form or even just returning for another year, but I am so proud of how everyone has adjusted and represented Victoria this term. Already there have been so many positive mentions in chapel for a wide range of achievements. I am looking forward to House Dinner with the theme of 'Night under the Stars', which is promising to be a lovely event and definitely my favourite thing we do as a House.

Personally I am close to submitting my application to the University of Miami which I have chosen to do early with the decision to apply for the communications school. For half term I am going with my friends from House to Mallorca and to go and visit my other choices of universities in the States including Boston College, University of Rhode Island and Syracuse in New York. I hope everyone has a restful half term and in preparation to tackle a busy but exciting run up to Christmas. Eleanor.

Hi, I'm Faiza, Deputy Head of House I'm applying to read Architecture at Glasgow, Leeds and Sheffield and still deciding my last two. For half term I am planning on visiting Manchester and relaxing with my mum and grandma in Spain for a few days. I just broke my ankle, so I am no longer participating in DofE this half term. I will be using this time to further my studies, before hitting the netball court hard for the season ahead. This half term I have really enjoyed House singing, doing lots of netball and getting to know all the new girls in Vic. Hi, I'm Bea, Deputy Head of House. When I leave school I would like to go into an apprenticeship or straight into work doing agronomy, which is all to do with the science and technology surrounding crops. I have really enjoyed being in Victoria and meeting all the new girls who joined this year. We had a great time organising House singing and are in the process of trying to create the best House Dinner yet. Half term is just around the corner, I have booked a trip with some of the girls in Victoria to go to Mallorca for just under a week. We are all really looking forward to it and have lots planned. I hope everyone has a restful half term and I look forward to seeing you all when we come back in November.

Highlights from this half term

Please do follow us on our Instagram account where regular stories and updates are posted on achievements and day to day life in house. Our handle is @victoriahousefc

