



NEWSLETTER

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THOUGHT OF THE FORTNIGHT

"Few activities are as delightful as learning new vocabulary." **Tim Gunn**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We're full in Year 7 in September!

The much awaited allocation of school places was issued to parents and carers today, and I am delighted that we will be full with 182 students in September's Year 7. There are several reasons behind this, including house-building and demographics; but I would like to think that another key factor is our ethos where we try to regard every student as an individual and from that help them realise their full potential. This is very good news for the College going forward.

Year 9 Parents Evening

Thank you very much to parents and carers of Year 9 students for another very positive evening, and an excellent attendance of 80%. This level of support is crucial for student success for all abilities. Inevitably, a good proportion of the conversations was about option choices, and from my "exit interview" position at the door it would seem that the majority of students have decided and are comfortable in their choice.

Maths Challenge (Intermediate)

The Maths Challenge is a competition run by the UK Mathematics Trust (a charity which promotes Maths). Last year over 600,000 students took part. There are three levels of challenge, with the eventual top mathematicians attending national and potentially international "Olympiads". Our Maths Department entered all top set maths students in years 10 and 11 for the intermediate challenge, and 3 students have done so well that they are through to the next round: Ellie Harris, Neddy Jeong and James Readman. These three students plus Charlie Sparkes, Jacob Drinan and Ben Folland each received Gold Certificates.

Half-Term Trips

I am pleased to say that both of the major half-term visits to Washington DC and to Pila in Italy were very successful and enjoyable, and everyone returned safe and sound. As ever, there were hiccups which colleagues and students overcame: in Washington, extreme weather meant that most public buildings were closed, but Mrs Padden's intrepid band managed to get into the Supreme Court and hear a live case.

Parent Group

The next meeting of the Parent Group will be on Wednesday 13th March at 6.30 pm in the Post-16 building. I am very pleased that some of the Governing Body will be coming along to talk about the vision and strategic direction of the College in the next 5 years or so. An important part of this is parental engagement. In terms of supporting students at Parents Evening, and phoning/meeting about individual issues, we have strong engagement with parents already, so the meeting will also focus on ways in which the College can build up partnerships in a wider sense. Inevitably, the issue of communication will feature! I think it's very valuable for Governors and the Parent Group to get together, because the latter have been trying to improve parental engagement for many years; however, the Parent Group is open to ANY parent or carer to attend so I hope that we will see some new faces and that the meeting is valuable to all.

Station Road Broadclyst NOT closed 4-8 March

Further to the Newsletter of 15th February, I am pleased to report that Devon Highways will not be shutting Station Road next week, in term time. This is very good news for many parents' routines and for College transport, but it will nonetheless be a pain for users of the road from 15th to 19th April!

The Internet: 1. Safety

We live in interesting times, so goes an ancient Chinese curse. The national media has been covering "Momo", a sinister and deeply disturbing challenge "game". The original reports were extremely worrying, that Momo had been hacked into WhatsApp and other platforms, or edited into otherwise innocent cartoons including Peppa Pig on YouTube. It now appears to have been a hoax, and the press coverage created a moral panic. The link to the National On-line Safety Campaign regarding Momo is <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/momo-online-safety-guide-for-parents/>. The section "Top Tips for Parents" is very useful.

A BBC article on the issue (28 Feb) states that "Police have suggested that rather than focusing on the specific momo meme, parents could use the opportunity to **educate children about internet safety**, as well as having an open conversation about what children are accessing"; and "a better focus is good positive advice for children, setting up technology appropriately and taking an interest in their online interactions". I find myself increasingly writing the same thing in these Newsletters: do you know what your child is accessing on line? Do you ever discuss it with them? Have you controls in place? Would they talk to you if something alarmed them? It's essentially all about good parenting and having the best possible relationships with one's children.

The Internet: 2. Sad.

We've been made aware of a couple of places on the internet where there is some derogatory stuff about the College and certain individual members of staff. Mostly this seems to be teenage "satire", but in one or two places it crosses the line of acceptability and indeed the law. We have contacted the Police as some of the content constitutes a crime, and we are working with the Police to remove the sites and identify the creators. As usual, there are a number of people who "like" the content; if these turn out to be students, we will be speaking to them to educate them as to what is acceptable and not, and why. My advice is to not follow these sites, and definitely not to record likes.

Exam Contingency Day, 26th June

This is for students and parents in Years 11 and 13. Nationally, all exam centres are to use 26th June as a "contingency day" in case of a significant national event occurring during the exam period which takes out a day of exams. Therefore, parents are advised not to book holidays before that time in case the contingency day is required (personally, I think it's extremely unlikely, but now I've tempted fate...)

The Pod

More observant students will have noticed a new building has arrived on the edge of the playground next to the Skills Room. This will become a specialist facility for a student with particular needs, and has been provided by Devon County Council. Although we are an Academy, Devon still has responsibility for children with Special Needs, and we work hard to maintain good relationships as we are (rightly) regarded as an inclusive school.

Invigilators

We are still looking to recruit a few invigilators for the GCSE and A-level exams this summer. An advert went out recently, and will be readvertised shortly, but if you think you or someone you know might be interested, please contact andersonthornem@clystvale.org. Ideal for people who like peace and quiet alongside a gentle stroll...

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Dr Bawn

MARCH MARKETING BULLETIN

Welcome to the March edition of your Marketing Bulletin. We're Caterlink, your school's caterer. We want to let you know about the great offers, promotions, events and deals we have coming up this month - So, in February we have International Waffle day, Pancake Day, St Patrick's Day, St David's Day, British Pie Week, Time for a Cuppa Week, Food Hero: Leeks and the latest stop on your food journey is Destination India. Meal deals, loyalty cards and product promotions throughout the month.

INTERNATIONAL WAFFLE DAY



Celebrate at your school with a selection of topped waffles. These include, Fresh fruit, sauces, bacon plus much more!

PANCAKE DAY



Shrove Tuesday is the day in February or March immediately preceding Ash Wednesday, which is celebrated in some countries by consuming pancakes. We have a selection of sweet and savoury pancakes on offer!

Food Hero Leek



Leeks are versatile, tasty, and easy to prepare, making them a great Food Hero for March! Our recipes include leek & potato cakes, chicken & leek pie, leek slaw and much more.

DESTINATION india



Pupils will have an opportunity to try some ever popular food. We have some fantastic unique flavours for the pupils including a Curry counter, fresh herbs and spices and an assortment of curry style sandwiches!

ST PATRICK'S DAY



St Patrick's Day will be celebrated with all things green! Including, Peppers, limes, apples, leeks, celery and plenty of flavour, along with some Irish classics.

BRITISH PIE WEEK



Let's celebrate the Great British Pie! Whether it is Savoury or Sweet. Shortcrust, Puff, Filo, Ruff Puff. With a bottom and top or just a top, Loaded with Potato, its still a Pie...

ST DAVID'S DAY



St David's Day will be celebrated with a variety of Welsh culture, including rarebit muffins, Welsh cakes, Shepherd's pie and much more.

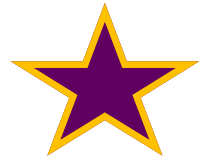
TIME FOR A CUPPA WEEK

Let's celebrate everything tea related! Including iced tea, tea infused biscuits and a tea and cake meal deal. Have a break with a cuppa!





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL

7YNS	Daniel Martin
7YMPR	Fin Duffy
8YRB	Freya Butler
8YKHO	Lucy Emeleus
9YMBR	Sam Mills
10YMM	Will Blum
10YZK	Jay Arthurs & Joff Holdsworth
11YSP	Rachel Champion
11YMHI	Jack Clyburn

RED SCHOOL

7RGG	Keon Byrne
7RHCH	Sonny Smith
8RHC	Charlotte Goddard
8RTMA	Heidi Hewald
9RCJ	Keira Clarke
9RCM	Callum Northover
10RZB	Anya Turner
11RAR	Ellie Harris
11RLA	Harlan Nicholas

GREEN SCHOOL

7GTB	Izzy Jackson-Lawson
7GSW	Freddie Fenner
8GGT	Izzy Cocking & Amelia Palmer
10GDH	Reese Passmore
11GBA	Jade Waller & Josh Urwin-Barrett

STUDENT ABSENCES YEARS 7 - 11

The number for absences is 01392 - 463911 or
email studentabsence@clystvale.org



LUNCH CLUBS SPRING TERM

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Mon (Week A & B)	Music Club	1.40pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	B&V Bespoke Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Mon	All Years – Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Mon	Year 10 & 11 – Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Mon	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Mon	Week A – ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Tues	B&V Bespoke Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tues	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	Maths Rooms		All Maths except Dr Turl
Tues	Year 11 Top Set Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Week A – Assembly/ Concert/Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Tues (Week A)	Year 10/11 Food Practical	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Tues (Week B)	Year 11 NEA Catch Up		IT4		
Tues	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tues	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 10, 11 & Post 16 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	All Years Dance	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Tues	Gardening Club	1.30pm	By The Greenhouse		Mrs Morgan
Wed	Year 11 French GCSE Revision	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
Wed	B&V Drop In Support	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolcott
Wed	Week A – General Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	Drug & Alcohol Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Year 12 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA4		Miss Prance/Dr Turl
Wed (Week A)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barrett
Wed (Week B)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA5		Mrs Adie
Wed	Week B - ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Wed	Year 9 Indoor Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Mr Brooks
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Weights	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mr Pearce
Wed	Year 7 & 8 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Wed	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wed	KS3 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Walton
Wed	Week A – Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews

LUNCH CLUBS SPRING TERM continued

Thurs	Week B - Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Thurs	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA1		Dr Turl
Thurs	Year 9 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Hula Hoop	Lunchtime	Dance Studio		Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 10 & 11 Catch Up	Lunchtime	PE5		Mrs Broomfield
Thurs	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/ Mr Powell
Thurs (Week A)	Year 11 NEA Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Crook
Thurs (Week B)	Year 10 Food Practical		DT3		
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	KS4 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thurs	Year 9 Netball Club	1.40pm	Netball Courts		Mrs Elliot
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	KS4 Photography Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Food Tech - Drop In Home-work	1.40pm to 2.10pm	DT4		Mrs Routledge
Fri	GCSE Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio		Mrs Elliot
Fri	GCSE Netball Practice	1.40pm	Netball Courts		Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Week A – Assembly/ Concert/Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Dance	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Fri	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/ Mr Powell

Library Opening Hours

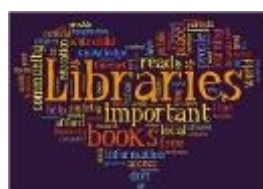
The library is open from 8.45am - 3.45pm on Mon, Wed & Fri.


PLEASE NOTE: The library will be closed every Tues and Thurs

The library is open to the public on:


- Mon & Wed - 3.30pm - 5.30pm

- Thurs 4.00pm - 6.00pm





NETBALL CLUBS



YEAR 9, 10 & 11
MONDAYS
3.20 - 4.30PM

YEAR 7 & 8
THURSDAYS
3.20 - 4.30PM

CALENDAR DATES

SPRING TERM 2019	
Fri 8 March	Y9 TDP and Meningitis ACWY Vaccinations
Tues 12 March	Y10 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.00
Wed 20 - Fri 22 March	Y12 Geography Residential - Dorset
Fri 29 March	Take Your Child to Work Day
Thurs 4 April	PE Sports Awards Evening 6.00 - 9.00
Fri 5 April 2019	Non-Uniform Day (Guide Dogs for the Blind) LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
SUMMER TERM 2019	
Wed 24 April 2019	START OF SUMMER TERM
Sat 27 - Sun 28 April	Ten Tors Practice Weekend
Thurs 2 May	Y7 Parents' Evening 4.15 - 7.15
Mon 6 May	Bank Holiday
Tues 7 May	Y12 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.30
Fri 10 - Sun 12 May	Ten Tors Main Event
Fri 24 May	Y11 and Y13 Study Leave Starts
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May 2019	SUMMER HALF TERM
Wed 12 June	Y6 Non Feeder Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Fri 28 June	Y11 Prom 6.00 - 11.00
Mon 8 July	New Intake Parents' Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Tues 9 July	Sports Day
Fri 12 July	Y12 Final Day
Mon 15 July - Fri 19 July	Y10 Work Experience Week
Thurs 18 - Sun 21 July	Y12 Gold D of E Practice
Fri 19 July 2019	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

Attendance, Absence and Requests for Absence

You need to let the College know of any absence on the first day it occurs. If you do not notify the College, then you will be contacted to identify the reason for absence.

This will help to reduce unauthorised absences and truancy.

Please note, the College may ask you to provide medical proof if a student is absent from College due to illness.

For Years 7 - 11 Absences

Please ring:

Penni Ball (Attendance Officer)

Direct line: 01392 463911

Email: studentabsence@clystvale.org

For Year 12 - 13 Absences

Please ring:

Jassy Barrington (Post-16 PA)

Direct line: 01392 462697

Email: barringtonj@clystvale.org

School Transport

1. Clyst Vale supports the (DCC) Devon County Council's "No Pass No Travel Scheme" that operates on transport to and from this College.
2. Only students who show a valid travel pass to the driver **on every journey** will be allowed to travel. Students must travel on the vehicle indicated on their pass.
3. **Please ensure that your child has their travel pass before they leave home every day.**
4. Please ensure that your child knows what to do in the event they are not allowed to travel or the bus does not arrive (e.g. because of breakdown or traffic conditions or severe weather). College attendance is very important and it is best to be prepared for any of these eventualities.
5. DCC will carry out regular pass checks throughout the year.
6. Drivers are not allowed to carry passengers who cannot show a valid pass.
7. If your child loses their pass during the day they should go to the AtHoS offices to ask for a 10 day temporary pass. Replacement passes cost £5 each and can be ordered online, or by sending a cheque with a replacement form.

Further information is available at: http://www.devon.gov.uk/school_transport



Do you use twitter? Then why not follow us @clystvale to find out what's going on in the College community.

COLLEGE DRESS

Clyst Vale aims to maintain a simple pattern of College dress to promote a clear sense of identity and enable students to come sensibly dressed, at reasonable cost, for a range of learning activities. If a student is improperly dressed, correct uniform will be provided for that day or the student may be sent home to change his/her clothing, at the discretion of the Principal. **If parents are in any doubt about the suitability of an item of uniform they should check with the College before buying it.**

Uniform for all students in Years 7 to 11

- White collared shirt
- School colour tie
- Clyst Vale V-neck jumper with College logo.
- Boys trousers - Banner Slimbridge (Black)/Banner Falmouth (Black).
- Girls trousers - Trutex GTN (2 pocket black)/David Luke DL965 black).
- **All trousers must have Clyst Vale logo rivet on waistband.**
- Skirts - Blue Tartan.
- Trutex Senior stitched down/Taylor Tartan (blue) skirt and may be worn no more than 2" above the knee. Knee length black tailored shorts may be worn in the summer.
- Black sturdy shoes or **all black** trainers.
- White socks or black tights with skirts.
- Clyst Vale reversible jacket or other outdoor coat.

All uniform and PE Kit can be purchased from Thomas Moore, Exeter. Thomas Moore offers both a personal service in their shop and also the opportunity to order on line at www.thomasmooretoymaster.co.uk.

- Eyebrow jewellery, facial, tongue, nose and lip studs are not permitted.
- Leather jackets, all denim garments and all hoodies are not permitted.
- Hats should not be worn indoors.
- Outer coats should be predominantly plain in colour and without large logos.
- A plain white t-shirt or vest may be worn under the shirt.
- On health and safety grounds, shoes should be appropriate for a work place. Flipflops, open toes, Uggs, Dr Martens (or equivalent) are not permitted.
- Jewellery may be worn, providing it is not excessive or potentially hazardous. However, it is a legal requirement that all jewellery must be removed before undertaking sporting activities. It is the responsibility of the wearer to do this.

The Principal, in consultation with the Governors of the College, will decide on the suitability of the appearance of a student attending the College - extreme hair styles, of either cut or colour, are not permitted.

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