



NEWSLETTER

*"The greater the obstacle, the more glory
in overcoming it."*

Moliere

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will be Week A

Dear Parents/Carers,

New Intake Days

Next Wednesday to Friday we welcome next year's Year 7, which is an important time in the annual calendar. Clearly, we want to ensure the students feel confident when they turn up "properly" in September. Mrs Adie, supported by almost all of her colleagues, has organised a schedule of lessons, activities and information sessions which will put across the important message that we're a College, you're here to make the most of your ability and potential, and these three days are part of that process but because they're quite fun and relaxed does not mean that the next five years will be just about fun and relaxation. Clyst Vale is also one of the safest and most respectful schools you could imagine, and this is another important message right from the start. The days are also a wake-up call to the other year groups, too – it's a symbol to Year 8 that they will soon be looking at options; and to Year 10 that GCSE exams are under a year away and they are now the oldest and most important role-models in the main school. (Not to mention a shock for some parents/carers to think "OMG! I have a child in secondary school/ Year 11! Where did that time go?")

Looking Ahead.

Many parents/carers will be aware that we have an Improvement Plan; this is published on the website, in September, when the Governors have signed it off. However, it's well under construction already, and following Ofsted's visit in April, it will be no surprise that our priorities will be the Ofsted issues for Action: improve the outcomes of Disadvantaged Learners (who we now call "Priority Learners"), improve attendance, improve value-added in the Sixth Form, and improve outcomes in Maths. Although not a specific priority, there will be an underpinning focus on teaching approaches as well, continuing to develop feedback to students and more differentiation. We are also prioritising a review of the curriculum, careers, and a very important set of actions to engender more pride in the College, including achieving the (Human) Rights Respecting School Award [you will shortly receive a separate information letter about RRS].

There will be many and varied actions to achieve these priorities. The change to uniform is now one part of improving pride in Clyst Vale; the smartphone ban (based on the experience of other schools) will improve outcomes, and will improve behaviour and support RRS. We will also reintroduce an afternoon registration of ten minutes: this will allow tutors to follow up on attendance issues from the morning, check on Priority Learners, and provide additional time for a new tutorial programme which is being developed. We will be increasing drop-ins to lessons, and speaking to students more often about their experiences in Clyst Vale. I am hoping to reintroduce the student College Council which was very successful a few years ago. Although we remain a "Good" school, we will also be commissioning some external support to improve weaker aspects and ensure that we continue to remain "Good"! We have to reduce student absence, so for the 16% of parents of persistent absentees (90% attendance or

below), I am afraid that there will be more robust conversations, and these will be earlier to try to prevent absence. The basic ethos of Clyst Vale will not change: we have great teachers, great students, supportive parents, excellent relationships, brilliant pastoral care, and fairly good outcomes. However, Ofsted has demonstrated that we need to tighten up a few things, and change the emphasis to focus even more on the teaching and learning, to improve the outcomes for students.

Student Safety: Cycling

Anyone who cycles in this area knows that the access roads to Clyst Vale are risky for a variety of reasons, depending on which road is in question. Therefore, it is even more important than usual for cyclists to be safe. This means they should wear helmets. It also means that they should cycle sensibly, safely and respect other road users. Perhaps it's madness brought on by the recent hot weather, but we have received three or four complaints about erratic or unsafe cycling, and students without helmets. It really is a parental responsibility to ensure that their cycling children set off properly equipped and briefed for the journey.

Year 10 Work Experience

The employer consent forms are coming in, but there are still more to be returned! As mentioned above, yesterday's DLD focused partly on work experience preparation. An increasing number of schools no longer offer work experience pre-16, as it is not a requirement any more; on the other hand, the government's National Careers Strategy wants schools to promote "meaningful" work experiences and encounters with employers. At Clyst Vale, we have always believed strongly in the potential of work experience. Some placements are a disappointment, but even these give valuable life lessons about working with new people, working with adults, and the realisation that working life is not fun-fun-fun every day.

Fri 6th Exeter Hospitals Panels

Next week we are very fortunate to be allowed to display the Exeter War Hospitals 1914-18 canvasses which have been displayed in various places around Exeter, including the Library and University. We have been asked to put them somewhere safe, which we have done, but Year 9 students will get to see them as part of their history lessons, and they will be available for other students as well. I can't resist a bit of history, as you know, so if you watched Downton Abbey when the house was converted into a hospital for wounded soldiers, that's roughly what we're talking about. In Exeter, there were several hospitals and converted buildings where wounded soldiers came to be treated. Many thanks to Mrs Padden for arranging this!

Homework Club, Last Week of Term

Please note that there will be no homework club during the last week of term, 16th to 20th July. If this is going to cause big problems, please contact your son or daughter's AtHoS because we can make individual arrangements for very small numbers.

Lost Property and Naming Clothes/Equipment

The small mountain of lost property in the Giraffe House prompts me to remind parents to please name your child's clothing and belongings! Students also need to check the clothing and belongings when they pick the item up after PE or at lunchtime.

Best wishes,



Dr Bawn

June Marketing **BULLETIN**

Hi we're Caterlink, your college caterer. June is month of offers, promotions and events for you. In June there's National Picnic Week, Chocolate Pudding Day and your In Season Food Hero is... Tomato!



Food Hero Tomato

Did you know that while Tomatoes are botanically berry - type fruits, they are considered a vegetables as an ingredient. Tomatoes are a member of the nightshade family along with aubergines, peppers & chillis and will feature in lots of recipes this month - hot and cold.



National Chocolate Pudding Day

National Chocolate Pudding Day offers a perfect excuse for you to indulge yourself with some delicious chocolate pudding. This unusual holiday is a great occasion for chocolate pudding enthusiasts and chocolate pudding lovers alike.



National Picnic Week

National Picnic Week takes place this June across the UK, so grab your 'blankets and baskets' and keep an eye out for some traditional summer favourites.



Destination Greece

Greek cookery makes wide use of vegetables, olive oil, grains, fish and meat. Other important ingredients include olives, cheese, lemon juice, herbs, bread and yoghurt. We will introduce students to a broad range of Greek foods this month. Help you get into that holiday feeling!

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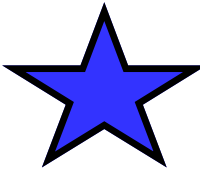
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favourite
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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL

7REW	Oliver Triggs
7RTMA	Cassidy Perkin
8RCJ	Lily Youel
8RCM	Robin Wellaway
9RZB	Flossy Voaden
10RAR	Rosie Pring
10RLA	Ryan Goodier

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YRB	Mia Rice
7YKHO	Michael Rothery
8YMBR	Jarred Hancock
8YJPU	Lara Anning
9YMM	Oli Bunkum
9YZK	Niamh Walter
10YMHI	Maddy Knight, Tre Campbell & Ty Pardew
10YSP	Brandon Pym

Beliefs and Values Stars Shine!

Congratulations to this year's B&V stars who have been nominated for their positive and mature attitude to learning. Well done!!!

Pictured right is a group of students with their certificates.



Ms Brotherton
Head of B&V



CVCC Inter School Football World Cup (Years 7-10)

Boys' Tournament: w/c June 25-29

Girls' Tournament: w/c July 2-6

By Invitation Only

5/6 teams per School = 16 teams in total

A member of staff to manage/oversee each team from same school

8 boys & 8 girls from each School/Year to be involved

Y12 CSLA students to officiate

Group Stages

1 game on Monday Lunchtime

2 games on Tuesday Lunchtime

Quarter Finals: Wednesday Lunchtime

Semi Finals: Thursday Lunchtime

Final/Bronze Medal Matches: Friday Lunchtime

MORE INFORMATION TO BE POSTED SOON

Lunch Clubs - Monday - Wednesday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Mon	Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Mon	Year 7, 8 & 9 Boys Cricket	Lunchtime	Tennis Courts	Sports Hall	Mr Pearce
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Year 8 Girls' Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Needs
Mon	Year 9 Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Mon	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Mon	Invasion of the Pawn Snatchers Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Foulds
Mon	B&V Year 11 Religion Unit	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Tues	Year 10 & 11 GCSE History Catch Up	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Tues	Year 11 GCSE Food Revision	Lunchtime	DT4		Mrs Crook
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Tues	Year 9 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Miss Bennett
Tues	All Years Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tues	Year 9, 10 & 11 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Tues	Year 10 & 11 Dance/Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliott
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Gardening Club	Lunchtime	by Science garden		Miss Morgan
Tues	Year 11 B&V Thematic Unit	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tues	All Years Tennis	Lunchtime	Tennis Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 9 B&V	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Wed	Year 7, 8 & 9 Dance/Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Wed	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers room		Mrs Bennett
Wed	Year 11 Maths Higher	1.30pm to 2pm	MA4		Ms Prance
Wed	Year 11 Maths Higher Foundation	1.30pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barratt
Wed	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Walton
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Miss Shire
Wed	All Years Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Needs/Mr Everett
Wed	Year 10 Food Practical Session	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook

Lunch Clubs - Thurs - Fri

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Thurs	Year 9, 10 & 11 Softball	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Year 8, 9 & 10 Girls Cricket	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Thurs	GCSE Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thurs	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Thurs	Year 7 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Elliott
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Child Development/Health & Social Care Catch Up	Lunchtime	VO2		Mrs Bennett/Ms Chandler
Thurs	Film Club	1.40pm	HU5		Ms Matthews
Thurs	Year 13 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU2		Mrs Battishill
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 B&V	1.35pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Fri	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	Year 11 GCSE PE Revision/Catch Up	Lunchtime	PE5		Mr Powell
Fri	Various Years Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Miss Shire/Mrs Elliot/Mr Everett
					Miss Cranston/Mr Johnston
Fri	Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Fri	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers Room		Mrs Bennett
Fri	Year 7 - 11 Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Miss Shire/Mrs Elliot
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Fri	Year 9 B&V Drop In	Lunchtime	HU2		Mrs Battishill
Fri	Year 11 Physics Revision	Lunchtime	SC1		Mr Pearce

CALENDAR DATES

Wed 4 - Fri 6 July	New Intake Days
Mon 9 July	6.00 New Intake Parents' Evening
Tues 10 July	Sports Day
Fri 13 July	Reserve Sports Day
Sun 15 - Wed 18 July	Y8 Bude Residential
Wed 18 July - Fri 20 July	Belgium Residential
Wed 18 July - Sat 21 July	Y12 DofE Gold Practice Expedition - Dartmoor
Fri 20 July	Last day of Summer Term
AUTUMN TERM 2018	
Wed 5 Sept	Start of Autumn Term
Mon 22 Oct - Fri 26 Oct	Autumn Half Term
Fri 21 December 2018	Last day of Autumn Term
Mon 7 January 2019	Start of Spring Term
Mon 18 - Fri 22 Feb 2019	Spring Half Term
Fri 5 April 2019	Last day of Spring Term
Wed 24 April 2019	Start of Summer Term
Mon 6 May 2019	Bank Holiday
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May 2019	Summer Half Term
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 your Assistant to Head of School (AtHoS) will contact you 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 contact the relevant AtHoS

Yellow School: Claire Turner (01392 463914; turnerc@clystvale.org)

Green School: Catherine Prunty (01392 463913; pruntyc@clystvale.org)

Red School: Pam Grant (01392 463910; grantp@clystvale.org)

For Year 12 - 13 Absences

Please ring:

Jassy Barrington Post-16 PA

Direct line: 01392 462697

(answerphone available)

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



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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 School colour logo.
- Trousers should be plain, black, formal and full length. This means no jeans, leggings, chinos or any trousers with rivets or studs. Trousers must be worn on the waist.
- Skirts should be plain black, and may be worn just above the knee. Skirts must be A-line or straight, but not stretchy or “skater” style.
- Knee length black tailored shorts may be worn in the summer.
- Black sturdy shoes or all black trainers.
- Clyst Vale reversible jacket or other outdoor coat.

Main uniform, PE kit and reversible jacket can be purchased from Thomas Moore.

- 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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