



# **NEWSLETTER**

w/c Mon 3 October 2016 will be Week A

"The empires of the future are the empires of the mind." – Winston Churchill

Dear Parents/Carers

### Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening

A big thank you to Year 7 parents for coming to last night's "Meet the Tutor" evening. There was an excellent attendance, and an opportunity to talk to Heads of School and senior staff as well as tutors. Year 7 have settled very well indeed, but there are inevitable exceptions and concerns, so we hold this evening after a month or so in order to tackle any issues before they become deep-seated.

### Year 10 GCSE Parents' Information Evening, Thursday 13th October, 6pm

Year 10 parents should have received a letter about this information evening, which is of particular importance as the majority of GCSE subjects have embarked on the new specifications with changed exam arrangements in the summer of 2018. Therefore, things will have changed quite a bit if you have had an older child "go through the system" even a year or two ago. This is a *parents*' information evening, but there is nothing I would say to parents that I wouldn't say to a student, so student attendance is very welcome but not essential.

#### Open Tours

Over 120 people have booked to see Clyst Vale in action next week, and we will accommodate as many as wish to come! If you, a friend or a neighbour has a Year 6 child and would like to come along, please phone Claire Phillips on 01392-463919.

### Student "Lifestyle" Questionnaire

We are pleased to be working with the University of Exeter Medical School on a project into the lifestyles of young people. Students in Years 7 and 8 will complete a brief questionnaire with questions about diet, computer use and exercise. The results will be aggregated as part of the research project, no individuals identified, and we (Clyst Vale) will not be given the information. If you do not wish your child to take part, please let the AtHoS (Assistant to Head of School) relevant to your child's School know. There is also an opportunity for twelve students in each year group to take part in a focused discussion group ("workshop"), but this will require detailed consent from parents. If your son/daughter would be interested, then they will need to bring home an information pack including the consent form. The questionnaires will be completed by students in morning registrations next week.

### Sick Students and First Aid

If your son or daughter is ill, please don't send them to College! Of course we wish to encourage the maximum attendance possible, but we have limited medical facilities, and we wish to use our first aiders to help with genuine accidents. Our first aiders all have other jobs in the College, and it is not a good use of their time dealing with colds and headaches. Further, school nursing provision has been significantly reduced over the years, and the nurse has different duties to perform which do not include first aid. So, students will be much more comfortable at home. And, of course, if they are infectious then this reduces the risk of spreading it to others!

### **Station Road Closure**

It was all clear at 7.00 this morning, but please be prepared for the road closure from the College to the old A30 from today until Tuesday. We understand that there will be "rolling roadworks" so that exactly which section is closed and when is not clear.

### Gideon Bibles Assembly 21st October

The Gideons organisation are coming to Clyst Vale on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October. They will give a pocket-size New Testament to any Year 7 student who is happy to receive one. It is important to remember that we are not a faith school, and recognise all faiths and none. Therefore, if you do not wish your son or daughter to attend the Gideon Assembly, or are happy for them to attend but do not want them to receive a New Testament, please let the relevant AtHoS (Assistant to Head of School) know.

### **Sidmouth Science Festival**

Later on in the Newsletter you will find information regarding this year's Sidmouth Science Festival which runs from 7<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October; we're a STEM School, and work collaboratively with other agencies in the area promoting science, so we're pleased to bring this to your attention.

Best wishes.

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Dr Bawn



# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL				
<b>7YJPU</b>	Ellie Hooper			
8YME	Ed Sleep			
8YMM	Olly Bunkum			
9YSP	Jack Wright			
9YJCO	Ty Pardew & Trenell Campbell			
10YMPR	Grace Porter & Molly Dart			
11YCW	Lucy Dechan			

GREEN SCHOOL				
7GHE	Luca Santillo			
7GIQ	Jesse Davey			
8GPE	Joe Hartley			
9GABR	Lauren Elliot			
9GTGA	Jake Bauer			
10GSW	Sam Hallett			
11GGT	Peter Betts			

RED SCHOOL				
7RCM	Adam Dodd			
7RKC	Lily Youel			
8RZB	Catherine Tooze			
9RAR	Tiff Bament			
10RDH	Owen Potter			
10RGG	Lauren Harker			
11RMHI	Freya Westney			
11RTMA	Ella Bibby			

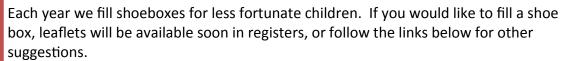
SILVER SCHOOL				
9SLA	Ryan Goodier			
10SNG	Hayley Bristow			
11SDJ	Joe Lockyer			
11SSG	Hannah Gooding			

### CALBNIDAR DAINES

Tues 11th October	Ski Trip Information Evening (6pm)
Thurs 13th October	Year 10 Parents' GCSE Information Evening (6pm)
Half Term	Mon 24th October to Fri 28th October 2016
Thurs 10th November	Post 16 Open Evening (6pm)
Tues 15th November	Year 12 Meet the Tutor (4.30pm)
Tues 22nd November	GCSE Presentation Evening (7pm)
Thurs 24th November	Year 10 Parents' evening (4.30pm)
Tues 29th November	Year 13 Parents' Evening (4.30pm)
Last Day of Autumn Term	Fri 16th December 2016
Start of Spring Term 2017	Wed 4th January 2017
Half Term	Mon 13th February to Fri 17th February 2017

### **Operation Christmas Child/Shoebox Appeal**

It is that time of year again when we start to think about Operation Christmas Child.





We would be grateful for any spare shoe boxes. If you cannot fill one yourself, you could group together with some friends and each donate something.

Handy information on 'how to pack your shoebox gift' can be found at the link below: <a href="https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox/">https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox/</a>

Please note that shipping costs can now be purchased online, printed out, and put straight into your completed box – see link below for information:

www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/follow-your-box-donation/

For more details on their work please look at their website www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk

If you would like any more details, please contact Claire Phillips on 01392-463919.



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# 7 - 16 October 2016 Fun for all the Family!







info@sidmouthsciencefestival.org www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org

As well as contributing to activities taking place in schools, the Science Festival is running events around Sidmouth and at the Norman Lockyer Observatory, including a free interactive science trail along the Sea Front on Sunday 9 October. Why not make up a team to see how far you can tow the Lifeboat tractor? Just turn up between 11am - 3pm.

On Saturday 15 October there will be hands-on experiments and activities such as making a volcano, popping candy, light shows, jelly baby wave machine etc, at All Saints'Hall, Kennaway House, the Methodist Church Hall, the Masonic Hall, the St Teresa's Hall and the Parish Church. These events run from 11am until 5pm (approx) and are FREE! Please look for the Science Festival flags and the dinosaur footprints outside the venues. Look out for Iggy the Iguanodon outside Kennaway House.

On 16 October the Science Festival moves to the Norman Lockyer Observatory for a family Sunday Funday on "Speed", from 11am to 4pm. This costs £8 for adults but children are free. There will be storytelling, planetarium shows, Space Detectives, Space Boffins, robots, the now famous jet car races, technology workshops and also some preschool science fun.

There are interesting events taking place during the week, too. Ada Lovelace Day on Tuesday 11, celebrates female scientists with speakers from the University of Exeter and Exeter City Futures. There's a Fungus Foray, Sunday church services, talks about Autonomous Vehicles, Liquid Crystals and a talk which includes maths in the Simpson's from Simon Singh.

Full details can be found at <a href="https://www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org">www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org</a> or Tweet @SidmouthScience. We're on Facebook too.

Don't forget to give your feedback in the Photo Booth.

Full details and how to reserve places can be found at

www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org



### **Lunch Clubs—Mon—Thurs**

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Mon	Music Club - WEEK A	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	School Newspaper (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	EN5		Miss Haynes
Mon	Year 8 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Needs
Mon	Year 11 Maths Workshops	1.30pm to 2pm	Look at posters in Maths Rooms		Miss Barratt
Mon	Year 7, 8 & 9 (boys & girls) Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Mon	Year 9 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	BTEC/IMedia & Digital Creativity	Lunchtime	Mac Suite		Mrs Higginson
Tues	Academic Catch Up (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Tues	Yr 10 Homework/Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Tues	Textiles Club - Starting date tbc	Lunchtime	DT4		Miss Webber
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Mrs Adie
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot/Mrs Bennett/Miss Carnall
Tues	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Miss Garman
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Tues	Year 10 & 11 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Powell
Tues	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 10 B&V Revision (AFTER XMAS)	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Music Club - WEEK B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Nurses Office-Post 16		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Year 7 Science Club	1.40pm	SC2		Dr Odunlade
Wed	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wed B	Year 10 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up	1.25pm to 2.15pm	DT4		Mrs Crook
Wed	Year 7 Girls Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Needs
Wed	Year 10 - 13 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Miss Garman
Thurs	Food - Theory Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT4		Mrs Crook
Thurs	Girls Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mrs Higginson
Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Music Club - Week A	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	1.30pm	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Powell
Thurs	Year 9 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Thurs	Year 11 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thurs	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe

### **Lunch Clubs—Fri**

Fri	Minecraft Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Fri	Academic Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Fri	Music Club - WEEK A & B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Inter Tutor (Year 7 - 11)	Lunchtime	Various	New Block	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce
				Unless Specified	Mrs Elliot/Miss Garman
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Fri	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Games Club - Year 7	1.30pm - 2.00 pm	EN6		Miss Quick
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden

## 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

Silver School: Julia Knowles (01392 463906; knowlesj@clystvale.org) Yellow School: Claire Turner (01392 463914; turnerc@clystvale.org) Green School: Catherine Hellier (01392 463913; hellierc@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

### **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 can be purchased from SWI online shop or Thomas Moore.

PE kit is only available from SWI online shop.

The reversible jacket is only available 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.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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