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NEWSLETTER

THOUGHT OF THE FORTNIGHT

"Find ecstasy in life; the mere sense of living is joy enough."

Emily Dickinson (d.1886)

Dear Parents/Carers,

STOP PRESS. Rights Respecting School Silver Award. I am absolutely thrilled to announce that we have been assessed and approved for the UNICEF RRS Silver Award. This is recognition of the rapid progress we have made this year, and that students are both more knowledgeable about rights, and also beginning to see differences and improvements in the College. Much more on this next week, but it's great news, and will really accelerate our work next year!

New Intake Special Edition

Transition Days

A special welcome to "first-time parents" of a Clyst Vale student starting here in September, and I hope that the shock hasn't been too great in realising that your eldest child is now starting secondary school! The three transition days this week have been one of the best in recent memory; chatting to Year 6 pupils, they tell me that they are much more confident about starting after the summer, which is the main aim of the transition days, and the main reason we have three days not just one. I told the pupils that the whole point of school is teaching, learning and achievement, but the immediate priorities of the three days are knowing the lay-out of the building, where the toilets are, at least some of the people you'll be working with, and where you can have your lunch. It is a big deal going to big school, especially emotionally, and I must thank Miss McConnachie, my colleagues, and the truly wonderful group of Year 9 helpers for being so welcoming and helpful. There are 182 individual pupils in the year group, so it would be astonishing if every single one was perfectly happy; doubtless there will be a number of queries. This is why we hold the New Intake Parents Evening next Monday, to iron out any worries before the summer. I look forward to seeing you there ! (It starts at 6.00 pm in the Main Hall).

The Clyst Vale Weekly Newsletter

The Newsletter has become an established part of Clyst Vale. It started as a one-term experiment in 2002, imitating the Primary School Newsletters of the time, and has continued ever since. Typically, the Newsletter includes College news (obviously !), successes, forthcoming events, commentary on national issues, explanations when things go wrong occasionally, reminders, and key information for reference. The Newsletter can be found on the College website, and we issue e-mail alerts every Friday (contact information is vital, of course: should your address, e-mail or phone numbers change over the summer, please let us know). A newsletter might seem old-fashioned, but parental feedback is that you like it, and wouldn't want a blog or limited-character tweets on a drip-fed basis. I suppose it's a little more "personal", and thinking about the human side of things is something we seek to promote strongly here.

Absurd Antics in the Amphitheatre

No, nothing to do with poor behaviour. On the contrary, this was a lovely little drama presentation of four mini-plays and sketches, all very melodramatic, and all very funny. Even better, the plays had been created and written by the students themselves, mostly Year 9 with two smaller groups of Year 7s. "Absurd Antics" was performed to the Year 6 students, and I was lucky enough to catch the public performance in the evening. The amphitheatre is a beautiful setting in the evening sunshine, and some of the performances were hilarious. It's very heartening to see the emerging talent in performing arts.

Y11 Prom

All Proms are lovely occasions, but last Friday's was particularly good. Everything fell into place: the weather was glorious, Reed Hall took responsibility for the traffic; and I thought our students and staff had exactly the right spirit to make it a fitting and memorable "rite of passage". The arrivals were as varied as ever, from the sleek limo to the mobility scooters. We were worried about an enforced change from a buffet to a barbeque, but in fact it improved the structure of the event and meant that students ate at roughly the same time in their friendship groups. As always, the Prom shows a glimpse of the adults our students will become, and it was only five years earlier that they were sitting in the Hall on *their* Transition Days.....

Sports Day is Next Week!

This is next Tuesday, and is one of the most popular days in the annual calendar. It is based on 100% participation, so that every student takes part in something and contributes points to their School's total on the day. It's also a day when the strength of the School system is shown to its best; students customise their PE kit in School colours, and really support anyone from any year group who happens to be in the same School as them ! The Met Office forecast looks like it will be a pleasant day, a little cooler than this week, with cloud coming in from the afternoon. Nonetheless, students are encouraged to wear a hat, use sun cream, sit in the shade if they wish, stay hydrated, and generally use common sense ! The pollen forecast is "very high" for Tuesday, so hay fever sufferers may need additional precautions.

Year 10 Work Experience

We are getting there! With little more than a week to go, many more students are now placed and have the required paperwork to go to work experience. If you still have any forms connected with work experience please ask your child to bring them in and talk to Mrs Bennett !

"In Touch" and Parent App

Watch out for a separate detailed letter about how this will be improved for September. There are no changes, but we can and should make this important method of communication work better. Some of my colleagues will be present on Monday at the New Intake Parents' Evening to answer queries.

Rough Play

If your child is not in the small number of friendship groups who engage in rough play, then you have nothing to be concerned about. Again, it's mostly just boys, and mostly Year 7 and 8. It is not bullying, as these are groups of friends. However, if you think your child is involved, please have a word at home. We supervise, we break up anything which looks dangerous, but it is still occurring. This is a good example of RRS: children must have the right to play (Article 31) but also have a right to be safe from being hurt (Article 19).

The 3.20 Pick-Up

It's stating the obvious to say that the pick-up at the end of the School Day can be tricky. Putting a secondary school on a bend in a village didn't show much foresight, although in fairness in 1960 there were only 300 students, far fewer cars, and many of them walked anyway. Unfortunately there was an incident in the Sports Hall car park on Thursday during the pick up the Year 6 students where an adult was hit by a car. Although fortunately this person was not injured, it could have been a lot worse. We would appreciate if parents could please be vigilant and take care in this confined space when picking up and dropping off. Come September, different families have different routines: some delay the pick-up until about 3.35 or so, when the buses have gone and it's easier to swing into the coach park; some make the pick-up at a little distance from the College gates.

Uniform Reminders

The next couple of months will be the peak time for buying school uniform, so I would like to draw parents to the uniform checklist on the College website. It has its own page, and can also be found in the weekly Newsletter. We made significant changes to uniform this year, and the standard has been much higher and maintained throughout the year. Where we have had difficulties on occasion is over footwear: shoes should be completely black, including the sole, in other words without any coloured or white trim.

Uniform: more riveting information

If you're buying school trousers from Thomas Moore, then read no further; correct CVCC uniform trousers will come already with a "rivet of approval" attached. If, however, you are buying trousers from another outlet, then we will need to approve them and rivet them ourselves. It is much easier to do this before term starts properly, and we are offering the following times and dates: Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th July between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Friday 30th August and Tues 3rd September between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m... This applies to students in all years, and it is best to bring the student as well as the trousers so that we can see them on!

Best wishes,



Dr Bawn

Lost Property

On Wednesday and Thursday (10th & 11th July) we are putting out all lost property for students to claim. If your child has lost any item can you please ask them to go the Giraffe house to check if it is there.

Anything which has not been collected will be taken to the charity shop at the close of Wednesday.

Regards

Sharon Down
Resources Assistant



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL

7YNS	Izzy Ward
7YMPR	Hafi Oztas
8YRB	Maddy Forty
8YKHO	Frankie Apps
9YMBR	Casey Townsley
9YJPU	David Pardew
10YMM	Charlotte Lacey
10YZK	Katie Batty

GREEN SCHOOL

7GSW	Steven Maby & Courtney Beattie
8GDJ	Chris Johnson & Maddie Grabham
8GGT	Ollie Readman & Harriet King
9GHE	Tom Massey, Joe Welch & Josh Worlin
9GIM	Joe Whitton & Emma Chick

RED SCHOOL

7RGG	Jess Slater
7RHCH	Adelaide Perry
8RHC	Rhys Burt-Jones
8RTMA	Holly Sheller
9RCJ	Oliver Churchill
9RCM	Ellie Norris
10RZB	Adie Whiteman

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



Clyst Vale Inter-School Boys Touch Rugby World Cup

Throughout all of last week, boys across all three schools competed for 16 various teams based on the countries representing at the Rugby World Cup 2019 in Japan, later this year.

The tournament is designed to integrate all boys in their respective School from Year 7 through to 10 and follows previously successful events such as RWC 15', Euro's 2016, Champions Trophy Cricket 2017 and Football World Cup 2018.



The boys started the competition on Monday 24 June, with the turnout being excellent. The opening ceremony and first game settled the boys into the tournament well, with the Tuesday bringing about the final two group games, to determine the top two in the group that would progress to the Quarter-Finals on Wednesday. Yellow School dominated, making up 5 of the 8 sides in unbeaten Scotland and England plus New Zealand, France and Australia making it through, despite having a loss each. Green School gained two runners up spots in Samoa and Italy, with the unfortunate South Africa missing out, despite winning two games! Japan were the only side to make it through for Red School, securing second place behind Australia in Pool D.

The quarter finals ended in four Yellow School wins with the following results:

Scotland (Y) 6-4 Italy (G)

New Zealand (Y) 2-1 Samoa (G) *AET

England (Y) 3-1 Japan (R)

Australia (Y) 4-7 France (Y)

These results meant that there would be a guaranteed Yellow School winner, overall. A very rare feat, indeed!

The Semi-finals were hotly contested with Scotland and England continuing their 100% winning streak by overcoming New Zealand and France, 3 tries to 2 and 4 tries to 3, respectively.

With the final being on a DLD, on Friday 28 July, all Yellow School teams had to do without their strong Year 7 representatives, however put on a sterling final and Bronze medal matches with England overcoming Scotland by 2 tries to 1 in the final and the Bronze medal match ending in a 3 all draw between New Zealand and France.

The week of competition was truly superb, with all boys being very considerate, cooperative yet participating in a competitive, yet measured manner.

Very well done to everyone who competed and also to the PE department and other staff who supported the competition.

Mr Pearce



LUNCH CLUBS SUMMER TERM

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Mon (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	All Years – Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett/Miss Lewis/ Mr Hammond/Kate Needs
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Mon	KS3 Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Mon	Week A – ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Mon	Year 9, 10 & 11 Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mr Pearce
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 (A)	Year 10/11 Food Practical	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Tues (B)	Year 11 Revision		IT4		
Tues	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Year 11 History Revision	Lunchtime	HU5		Mrs Padden
Tues	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 9, 10 & 11 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 Green-house		Mrs Morgan
Tues	Year 7, 8 & 9 Cricket	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Hammond
Tues	All Years Tennis	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 11 French GCSE Revision	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
Wed	Yu Gi Oh	Lunchtime	SC8		Mr Moxey
Wed	B&V Drop In Support	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
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 (A)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barrett
Wed (B)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA5		Mrs Adie
Wed	Week B - ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Wed	Year 9 5-a-side	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Mr Brooks

LUNCH CLUBS SUMMER TERM continued

Wed	All Years Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett/Mr Hammond/Mrs Broomfield
Wed	KS3 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Walton
Wed	Week A – Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Wed	Year 11 Spanish Revision	Lunchtime	MF4		Ms Emmett
Thurs	Week B - Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Thurs	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA1		Dr Turl
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/Mrs Elliot/Mrs Broomfield/Mr Hammond/Miss Lewis
Thurs (A)	Year 11 Revision	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Crook
Thurs (B)	Year 10 Food Practical		DT3		
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	KS4 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	KS4 Photography Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Food Tech - Drop In Homework	1.40pm to 2.10pm	DT4		Mrs Routledge
Fri	GCSE Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio		Mrs Elliot
Fri	Week A – Assembly/Concert/ Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Year 11 Indoor 5-a-side	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Fri	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/Mr Powell/Mrs Elliot/Mrs Broomfield/Mr Hammond/Miss Lewis
Fri	KS3 Musical Theatre Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Ruskin



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Ski Italia

2021




If your child is interested in being part of the next **Ski Trip in 2021**, they need to collect a letter from **Dr Turl** or **Mrs Elliot**.

Pila is an excellent beginner resort with over 70km of pistes, offering high-altitude snow-sure skiing for everyone, from complete beginners to those who have skied at a high level. The price will be **£1029.00** which includes the following:

- Travel, from Clyst Vale to resort, and return journey (luxury coach fitted with seat belts), plus ferry, together with use of coach whilst in resort
- Ski lessons (morning and afternoon for six days)
- Hire of skis, boots and poles
- Full area lift pass
- Full insurance (including 24 hour Medicare, ski breakage and snow guarantee)
- Full-board accommodation, including hot lunch on the slopes
- Après-ski activities, such as ice-skating, tubing, ski test and presentation evening
- Clyst Vale ski hooded sweatshirt

Behaviour and achievement points will be taken into consideration prior to students being accepted on this trip.






NETBALL CLUBS

YEAR 9, 10 & 11
MONDAYS
3.20 - 4.30 PM

YEAR 7 & 8
THURSDAYS
3.20 - 4.30 PM



CALENDAR DATES

SUMMER TERM 2019	
Thurs 4 July	RRS Accreditation Day
Mon 8 July	New Intake Parents' Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Tues 9 July	Sports Day
Thurs 11 July	Reserved Sports Day
Fri 12 July	Y12 Final Day
Mon 15 July - Fri 19 July	Y10 Work Experience Week
Mon 15 July— Thurs 18 July	YR8 Bude Residential
Thurs 18 - Sun 21 July	Y12 Gold D of E Practice
Fri 19 July 2019	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

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 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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