



NEWSLETTER

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w/c Monday 6 June 2016
will be Week B

“Every man is the architect of his own fortune”

Appius Claudius Caecus

Dear Parents/Carers

Early lunchtimes will be required on Wednesday 8th June and Tuesday 14th June

This Half-Term

I'm not quite sure what happened to May, or indeed the whole of this half-term, as it has flown by. We are well into exam season, which brings its own pressures, but other pressures such as the “cabin fever” caused by such a wet spring prior to Easter have been relieved by some decent dry weather. The importance of students being able to get some fresh air, sunshine, and run around (if they wish) cannot be underestimated. My colleagues have worked tirelessly this term both with exam classes, and to make sure that all year groups have the best quality lessons and a wide range of other activities and opportunities. Your support has been essential, too, and is greatly appreciated. It is so much easier for teachers to do their job when students arrive on time, in proper uniform, with the right equipment, and with a positive attitude.

Half-Term Week

The May half-term holiday week will vary for families depending on which year your son or daughter is in; and if she or he is in Year 11-13 how the exam timetable looks for early and mid June. Year 10 students must not forget that they have practice exams fast approaching, too, in the week beginning 20th June; these will cross nearly all of their GCSE subjects. However, the advice remains the same for all exam years, which is to strike the correct balance between revision and relaxation. Overdoing either will be detrimental, although if a student hasn't done much revision yet, then this will require a deliberate imbalance! Planning ahead remains essential to work out the order of exams and therefore when to maximise revision for individual subjects; Euro 2016 provides a minor complication here, with England v Wales on 16th June followed on 17th June by Physics GCSE, the Physics paper for GCSE Double Science, A2 English, and A2 PE; on 20th June England play Slovakia followed by GCSE History, A2 Health & Social Care, and Maths the next morning. Lest anyone accuse me of a national bias, exactly the same principle of planning ahead applies to all Irish, Spanish, Italian, Welsh and French supporters, too.

Options

The Year 9 Options process is very nearly completed with just one or two interviews with individual students left, and students will be advised of their choices shortly after half-term. Just nine students had a clash between two of their choices, and in most cases these were comparatively easily sorted out.

Staff Changes

Leaving today is Mrs Karen Morrish, one of the College's counsellors. Karen has provided fantastic support for many students with mental health and other issues over her six years at Clyst Vale. Nowadays, a counselling provision in schools is a necessity not a luxury, so we are conducting interviews for a replacement very soon after half-term.

Safety

The bomb hoaxes perpetrated at a number of schools across the UK earlier this week prompt me to reassure parents that we do have procedures in place should anything similar occur here. We are blessed with extensive fields, so it is relatively easy to evacuate students and staff to a safe distance. We would also do as other schools did, and follow police advice throughout. (It's possible that memories may have stirred in some parents who attended Clyst Vale in the mid 1990s, who might recall a bomb hoax in February 1996.)

Uniform and Rough Play Reminders

It's part of the human condition, especially in young humans, that as we get more tired, we tend to become slightly more forgetful or casual in our approach. As half-term is a uniform-buying time (especially if your child has had a sudden growth spurt with the onset of Spring), please remember our uniform requirements, and that hoodies are NOT outdoor coats; uniform is actually very good, but a few students need to buy ties, and some skirts seem to have become shorter, possibly one of those growth spurts.... More seriously, there have been one or two unintentional injuries this week as a result of lunchtime play becoming too rough. I repeat previous messages that this is mostly boys, and mostly in Years 7 to 9. This is linked to tiredness, too – although that is no excuse - and I would expect a calmer start to the new half-term after students have had a rest over next week.

So, whichever years your children are in, best wishes for a good half-term week.



Dr Bawn



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



SILVER SCHOOL

7SAO	Chloe Harris
8SLA	James Clark
10SDJ	Erin Shaw
10SSG	Hannah Gooding

RED SCHOOL

9RGG	Joe Jobling
10 8RMHI	Cameron Discombe

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YME	India Ross
8YJC	Jess Norgate
8YJCO	Stefan Bateman
9YMPR	Gaby Dart

**POST 16
ATCVCC**

- > Highly regarded Post 16 College
- > Student support recognised as outstanding
- > Extremely low drop out rate
- > A Level pass rate 99%
- > Nearly half of all grades A* to B
- > Increasing number of students from other schools

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 Clyst Vale Post 16, Station Road, Broadclyst, Exeter, Devon EX5 3AJ.

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 COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 A Science, Maths and Computing Academy

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

LUNCHTIME CLUBS Monday - Wednesday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Mon	Minecraft for Girls/IT Girls Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mrs Higginson
Mon	Music Club	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Art Club	1.30 - 2.15	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Mon	B&V 'help clinic'	1.30pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Mon	School Newspaper (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	EN5		Miss Haynes
Mon	Year 11 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8, MA5 & MA4		Miss Barrett/Mrs Adie & Mrs Prance
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Miss Borny
Mon	Year 9 & 10 Rounders	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Miss Garman/Miss McGinley
Mon	Year 9 & 10 Softball	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Year 7 & 8 Indoor Cricket	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Mon	Year 7 Tennis	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Woolacott
Mon	Dance (All Years)	1.35pm	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Mon	Yr 10 Homework/Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Mon	GCSE Work (Drama)	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	IT Club/Robots	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Tues	Textiles Club	Lunchtime	DT4		Miss Webber
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Miss Borny
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Basketball (Year 7, 8 & 9)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	Year 7 - Year 11 Dance	1.35pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Softball	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce & Mr Olde
Tues	Year 8 - 11 Tennis	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Courts	
Tues	GCSE Work (Drama)	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Gardening/Eco Club	1.40pm	SC7		Science Techs
Tues	Ten Tors (Year 9 and above)	Lunchtime	IT1		Mr Eales
Tues	B&V KS3 Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tues	STEM (FULL)	Lunchtime	DT2		Mr Hewlett
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Music Club	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Nurses Office-Post 16		Miss Borny
Wed	Year 7 & 8 Maths	Lunchtime	MA7		Miss Mann
Wed	Year 9 Maths	Lunchtime	MA6		Miss Gale
Wed	A Level Dance (Post 16)	1.35pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Miss Arnold
Wed	Year 7 Rounders	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Miss Garman
Wed	Year 9 - Year 13 Indoor Cricket	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett & Mr Powell
Wed	Yr 11 Controlled Assessment Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Wed	Yr 11 Controlled Assessment Catch Up - Child Dev	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin

LUNCHEXTIME CLUBS Thursday - Friday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	Athletics	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett & Mr Olde
Thurs	Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Thurs	Games Club (Year 7 & 8)	1.25pm to 2pm	EN6		Miss Quick
Thurs	B&V Revision (Year 11)	1.30pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	1.30pm	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Miss Borny
Thurs	Year 8 & 9 Rounders	1.35pm	Field	Sports Hall	Mrs Elliot & Mrs Bennett
Thurs	Year 10, 11 & Post 16 Weights	1.35pm		Dance Studio	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Year 11 GCSE Revision	1.35pm	PE5		Miss Garman
Thurs	STEM (Full)	Lunchtime	DT2		Mr Hewlett
Thurs	Year 11 GCSE	Lunchtime	PE5		Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Fri	Staff IT Club/IT HW Help	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Fri	Art Club	1.30pm to 2.15pm	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Fri	Music Club	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Fri	Inter Tutor (Year 7 - 11)	1.35pm	Various	Sports Hall	Mr Everett/Miss Garman/ Mr Powell/Miss McGinley
Fri	Year 10 v Year 11 v Year 12 Softball	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Fri	Yr 11 Controlled Assessment Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Fri	Yr 11 Controlled Assessment Catch Up - Child Dev	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Fri	B&V KS4 Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Fri	B&V Revision	1.30pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton

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 NURSE

Every Friday there is a drop-in session from 13.25 - 14.20 (lunchtime). Students, please feel free to come and meet me in Post-16 in room P9.

Thank you.

Ms Garrett

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.

CALENDAR DATES

2015-16

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June	Summer Half Term	
Monday 6th June	First day back	
Thursday 9th June	Year 8 Parents' Evening	4.30pm
Wednesday 15th June	Non-feeder schools' Parents' Evening	
Mon 20th-Fri 24th June	Year 10 Mock Exam week	
Wednesday 29th June	GCSEs/GCEs finish	
Wednesday 29th June	Sports Day/Festival on the Field	
Friday 1st July	Deep Learning Day	
Friday 1st July	Year 11 Prom	
Tuesday 5th July	Reserve Sports Day	
Wed 6th-Fri 8th July	New Intake Days	
Monday 11th July	New Intake Parents' Evening	6.00pm
Mon 11th-Tues 12th July	Year 9 Belgium Trip	
Mon 11th-Fri 15th July	Year 10 Work Experience Week	
Friday 15th July	Post 18 Preparation Day	
Friday 15th July	Non-uniform Day: Poltimore House/Urafiki/Kenya	
Sun 17th-Wed 20th July	Year 8 Bude Residential	
Mon 18th-Tues 19th July	Post-16 Taster Days	
Wednesday 20th July	Last day of Summer Term	



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