



NEWSLETTER

"Picture in your mind a sense of personal destiny."

Wayne Oates

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w/c Mon 9 July 2018
will be Week B

Dear Parents/Carers,

Transition Days

A very special welcome to "first-time parents" of Year 6 pupils student starting at Clyst Vale in September. The three transition days this week have gone very well, and chatting to a various Year 6s they are much more confident about starting after the summer, which is good news as it's the main aim of the transition days. As I said to the students in the very first assembly, transition is not an end in itself. We want to make them welcome, feel safe, recognise that there are plenty of opportunities and fun to be had, but actually transition is just one step, admittedly a big one, on a five or ideally seven year journey through Clyst Vale. Schools are about teaching, learning and achievement, but just like an adult starting a new job the immediate priorities are knowing the lay-out of the building, where the toilets are, the people you'll be working with, and where you eat lunch. It is a big deal going to big school, and I must thank Mrs Adie, my colleagues, and the truly amazing group of Year 9 helpers for being so welcoming and helpful. We talk about year groups for convenience, but there are 150 individual children; it would be remarkable of all 150 had a wondrous transition with no worries or queries at all: that's why we hold the New Intake Parents Evening next week, to iron out some of these wrinkles. I look forward to seeing you there!

Next week.....

On Tuesday, we hold our annual Sports Day and Festival on the Field. Our Sports Day is, we believe, unique: every student is involved in something. The traditional athletics events with winners, medals, certificates, school records, points and overall trophies is at the core; enriched by other points-scoring competitions like rounders and penalty shoot-outs, with other activities like BMX, target golf and archery. The lunchtime slot is filled by student performers who literally fall on to the back of a lorry on the field. The Staff Band, "*Requires Improvement*" will also be playing (anyone involved in education will enjoy the name of the band...).

The forecast is for another hot day. Therefore, we have planned a few adjustments to cope with this. The timing of some events has been shifted to a cooler part of the day; more water fountains will be provided outside; we will keep the Giraffe House supervised all day so that students who wish to get out of the sun for a while between activities; and we will be issuing frequent reminders about hats, sun block, covered shoulders, keeping hydrated, not overheating and spending spells in the shade. Please note that we cannot supply sun creams and certainly not apply them: therefore if it is likely to be a burning hot day, we would

be grateful if parents could add the appropriate sun cover to the sports day bag. Parents/ carers are very welcome to attend – please sign in at reception. Please note that we do not allow Year 11 students to come along unless they are on an official list helping the PE department or are accompanied by a parent/ carer; in other words are being supervised when on site.

...and the week after

The last week of term is looking busy. Year 8 students will be going to Adventure International in Bude for a residential; 40 Year 9 students will be going on a history visit to the Belgian Battlefields; all of Year 10 will be on work experience (where did the four years go since *their* transition days?); and Year 7 will also be taking part in a whole day robotics problem-solving day supported by the engineering company Arconic. There is also a Big Day Out to Woodlands on Tuesday! Last year we became very aware of the students who do not go on these activities for a variety of reasons, so although we will never be able to please everyone there will be a significant improvement in the activities we will be running back at Clyst Vale.

Homework Club: Last Week of Term

As you can imagine, with staff and students all over the country and even in Europe, we will not be running homework club during the last week of term (w/b 16th July). If this causes very serious problems for you, please contact your child's AtHoS because we might be able to make a small number of individual arrangements, especially if children can be collected by 4.30 at the latest.

Student Safety: Cycling

Another reminder that our location is not brilliant for cycling, but perfectly safe from the Exeter direction if students observe basic safety precautions. Helmets are essential; bikes must be properly maintained; students must be clearly visible. Please can parents reinforce this message at home.

SchoolComms and SIMS Parent App

From September we will be introducing a new, improved messaging system called "In Touch". The main reasons for the change is that the messaging service is better, more flexible, will be developed to include homework, and is also much more secure in terms of data security under GDPR. This will be through an app called SIMS Parent App, and next week existing parents will shortly receive instructions. For communications for the rest of this term we will continue to use the SchoolComms Gateway; from September it will be through the SIMS Parent App. There is one small wrinkle to all this: SchoolComms Gateway will remain the method to make online payments for the time being. We will be looking to switch this to SIMS Parent App at the earliest opportunity next year.

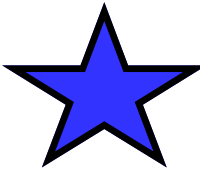
Skirts.

On the New Intake Days the Head Girls wore the new uniform skirts (the Head Boys declined politely). They looked really good, and the girls reported, slightly to their surprise, that the skirts were comfortable and felt good to wear. Yes, I know, I'm taking every opportunity to remind everyone about the uniform changes.....

Best wishes as always,



Dr Bawn



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL

7REW	Ben Heywood-Rose
7RTMA	Freya Berrisford
8RCJ	KeiraClarke
8RCM	William Jeremy
9RZB	Aidan Potter
10RAR	Lenni Bashford
10RLA	Harrison Tarrant

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YRB	Evie Miller
7YKHO	Lucy Emeleus
8YMBR	Poppy Lugg & Martha Bolt
8YJPU	Max Walker
9YMM	Charlotte Lacey
9YZK	Maddy Jeffery
10YMHI	Edwin Choi & Laura Goss
10YSP	Aaron Young & Harry Quinton

Boys Inter-School Football World Cup 2018

Congratulations to Japan of Red School who are the 2018 Boys Winners of the Clyst Vale Inter School World Cup. The team, captained by Andy Dodd of 10RAR, triumphed after a 3-2 penalty spot kick win over Yellow School's Brazil in the Final.

The week long tournament, which aims to integrate students from Year 7 to Year 10 for both Boys and Girls, in separate tournaments, was very well attended and took place in very hot conditions on our wonderful field. The purpose of having a fun, competitive yet fair and considerate competition was met with superb examples of sportsmanship and camaraderie, with the Year 10 students leading the way with outstanding leadership of younger students.

Very well done to all of the students involved and a very big thanks to our Y12 CSLA students and members of PE staff for officiating and the members of staff who helped to support the teams.

The Girls turn started on Monday 2 July at lunchtime, which school will pick up the trophy?

Adam Pearce



There is currently a job available in the canteen. Term time only. Please call 01392 462359 for more information.

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
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
					Miss Cranston/Mr
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
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

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
Tues 17 July	Woodlands Trip
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.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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