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NEWSLETTER

“Do not seek to follow in the footsteps of the
men of old; seek what they sought “
Matsuo Basho

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy Holidays!

Once again, many thanks to parents and carers for all your support in a thousand and one ways over this term. There's rarely a dull moment with teenagers, as all the school and social pressures combine with significant physical and psychological development in quite a short space of time. So, thank you for the excellent attendance figures, for the uniform, for coming to parents' evenings, for ingredients, PE kit, the car shares and the taxi services. Thank you in advance to parents of students in exam years for encouraging revision and consolidation of learning over the next two weeks of holiday. Yes, students will need rest and relaxation, and it is always dangerous to generalise, but a fair proportion of students do need to complete and organise their class notes, or go on to the key revision websites listed on the CVCC website, and make sure they have planned ahead bearing in mind the order of their exams. Many things have changed in education, but not the key to exam success: it's simple, old-fashioned, hard work and preparation. The bright students who leave things to the last minute might reflect on the phrase "hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard". Whichever year(s) your children are in, best wishes for a good spring break.

Character Education Project

The collaborative project between Clyst Vale, Axe Valley, Honiton, King's and Sidmouth, funded by the DfE, has now come to an end. There have been many benefits: staff and students are well aware of the four strands making up "character": resilience, leadership, sense of community, and curiosity. Students in many years have had special lessons and inputs based on these themes: resilience lessons, "will it make the boat go faster?" and "living life to the full". All staff have received general training about character, with others specific training on coaching skills. We have developed a useful character tracker which is used in tutorials. We have also given awards to students who have demonstrated particular character strengths, one per tutor group, per term; these have been a pleasure to present, as the students have been really pleased that their efforts have been recognised. Clyst Vale has also had an important role in leading the "STEM" strand of the Project, working with Clinton Devon Estates to produce a learning pack on the Lower Otter Restoration Project. During the summer term, we will be planning which of the activities and initiatives we will be building into the curriculum permanently. Many colleagues have played a part in this project, but particular praise must go to Ms Prance, who took on the challenging role of Character Education Lead, and coordinated all of the above developments.

Staff Changes

Retiring today is Mr Andy Luscombe, who has taught Business Studies to GCSE, A-level and BTec over the past eleven years. He has also led our Young Enterprise companies, several of which achieved great success in local competitions. Mr Luscombe also taught ICT, Course 42 and Geography, as well as being a Post-16 tutor and latterly co-tutor in younger year groups. We wish him well for his retirement.

Clyst Vale Dual-Use Library

You may have seen elsewhere that Devon's Public Library Service becomes a "Public Service Mutual" from 1st April; the new organisation will be a company limited by guarantee with charitable status, and the brand name will continue as Devon Libraries. So, users of Clyst Vale's Dual-Use Library should not see any difference. I am really proud that we have retained our Dual-Use Library, one of very few left in England, let alone Devon, because of the mutual benefits and the value to our community.

Uniform

I need to choose my words carefully, because stating that uniform has become a bit ragged in the last week or two is unfair on the very large majority of students who turn up every day dressed appropriately in correct uniform. However, there are more students than usual who are pushing at the rules; the current issue is trousers. Jeans and jogging bottoms, even if black, are not part of the uniform and we will ask students to change into loaned uniform, isolate them from lessons or send them home to change if possible. We will be tightening up after the Easter holiday; I should add that Year 11 students are expected to be in full, correct uniform until half-term and for all exams afterwards.



Dr Bawn

Interruption to Clyst Vale Email

Our email is being moved to a new system over the Easter weekend to improve the email service and reduce our costs. This means we will not have access to email between Friday 25th and Tuesday 29th March while everything is being migrated. Any messages sent to @clystvale.org during this period will not be read until Tuesday 29th at the earliest. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this causes.

Paul Colin



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



GREEN SCHOOL

8GTGa	Jude Pearson
9GSW	Mae Wise & Dulcie Sanders
11GIQ	Millie Gee

YELLOW SCHOOL

10YCW	Harry Price
11YSP	Zelgarth Payne

SILVER SCHOOL

10SDJ	Daisy Lugg
10SSG	William Fowles

RED SCHOOL

7RZB	Aubrey Perkin
8RAR	Tobias Jefferson
9RDH	Callum Milburn

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

Deep Learning Day

Chepstow Castle Visit

On Wednesday 16th March we took the Year 7 students on a trip to Chepstow Castle as part of the Humanities course. We were able to have a tour of the castle and the beautiful surrounding area with a superb guide who told us about its history. In the afternoon he gave us a talk about fighting and medicine in the Middle Ages, and showed us his skills as a marksman, during which he was timed by our students firing 16 arrows at a target in 60 seconds. It was a very interesting trip and the students all learnt a great deal about castles and their importance.



It was a long day but it was a pleasure to be with such polite and well mannered students.

Thank you to Miss Slee and Miss Jenkins for arranging the visit, and to PGCE student Mr Richards who impressed the group with his knowledge of Welsh and his rendition of the Welsh National Anthem.

Mrs Padden

Head of History



Do you use twitter? Then why not follow us @clystvale to find out what's going on in the College community

Year 7 Potter to the Otter

Eight lucky Year 7 students enjoyed a lovely sunny day in Budleigh Salterton walking along the River Otter. They were taking part in a joint action research project looking at the proposed restoration scheme of the river, and spent the morning learning about the project and putting their geography skills to the test. An education officer from Clinton Devon Estates showed us around and sent us on an impossible task of finding a pipe underneath the pebble beach! We did a spot of bird watching, walked along the beach, and enjoyed a well-deserved Otterton Mill ice cream! The students really embraced the surroundings they were in and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Mr Gibson also had a fantastic time with his special binoculars!



Names of students in the photo - Zizzi Burns, Jack Craig, James Selley-Steer, Thomas Sluggett, William Smythe, India Ross, Lilly Schamroth and Libby Windle.

Charlotte James
Teacher of Geography

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

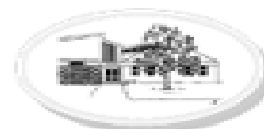
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Principal: Kevin Bawn, BA PhD



LUNCHTIME CLUBS Monday - Wednesday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing	Teacher
Mon	Minecraft for Girls/IT Girls Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mrs Higginson
	Music Club	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
	Art Club	1.30 - 2.15	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
	B&V 'help clinic'	1.30pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
	School Newspaper (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	EN5		Miss Haynes
	Year 11 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8, MA5 & MA4		Miss Barrett/Mrs Adie & Mrs Prance
	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Miss Borny
	Badminton (Year 7 - 11)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
	Netball (Year 9 & 10)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Needs & Miss Cantin
	Rugby (Year 9)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
	Football (Year 7 & 8)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
	Dance (All Years)	1.35pm	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
	Yr 10 Homework/Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
	GCSE Work (Drama)	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	IT Club/Robots	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
	Textiles Club	Lunchtime	DT4		Miss Webber
	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Miss Borny
	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Miss Manaton
	Basketball (Year 8 & 9)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
	Netball (Year 8)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Elliot/Mrs Bennett
	Rugby (Year 7 & 8)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
	GCSE Work (Drama)	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
	Gardening/Eco Club	1.40pm	SC7		Science Techs
	Ten Tors (Year 9 and above)	Lunchtime	IT1		Mr Eales
	B&V KS3 Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
	STEM (FULL)	Lunchtime	DT2		Mr Hewlett
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
	Music Club	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Nurses Office-Post 16		Miss Borny
	Year 7 & 8 Maths	Lunchtime	MA7		Miss Mann
	Year 9 Maths	Lunchtime	MA6		Miss Gale
	GCSE Food Practical Catch Up	1.25pm to 2.15pm	DT4		Miss Fraser-Roe
	A Level Dance (Post 16)	1.35pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Miss Arnold
	Girls Football (Year 7 - 11)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Exeter City
	Free Style Gym	1.35pm	School Hall	School Hall	Mr Powell
	Netball (Year 11)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Miss Cantin
	Rugby (Year 10 & 11)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce & Mr Gibson
	Football (Year 9)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
	Yr 11 Controlled Assess. Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
	Yr 11 Controlled Assess. Catch Up - Child Dev	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin

LUNCHTIME CLUBS Thursday - Friday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing	Teacher
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
	Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
	Games Club (Year 7 & 8)	1.25pm to 2pm	EN6		Miss Quick
	B&V Revision (Year 11)	1.30pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
	Hula Hoop Club	1.30pm	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Miss Borny
	Netball (Year 7)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Needs
	Basketball (Year 10, 11 & Post 16)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
	Weights (Year 10, 11 & Post 16)	1.35pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Mr Pearce
	STEM (Full)	Lunchtime	DT2		Mr Hewlett
	Year 11 GCSE	Lunchtime	PE5		Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
	Staff IT Club/IT HW Help	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
	Art Club	1.30pm to 2.15pm	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
	Music Club	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
	Inter Tutor (Year 7 - 11)	1.35pm	Various	Sports Hall	Mr Pearce & Miss Cantin
	Smash It Up Badminton (Year 7 - 11)	Lunchtime	School Hall	School Hall	Mr Powell
	Football - Year 10A v Year 11B	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
	Football - Year 11A v Post 16				
	Yr 11 Controlled Assess. Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
	Yr 11 Controlled Assess. Catch Up - Child Dev	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
	Hockey (Year 7 - 11)	Lunchtime	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs James & Mr Newman
	B&V KS4 Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
	B&V Revision	1.30pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton


INVIGILATORS NEEDED

We are looking for more invigilators to help oversee our exams this Summer.

Invigilators need to be reliable, highly flexible and able to relate to students.


It's a part-time role, but one that can make a real difference.

If interested please phone Judy on 01392 463920



- > 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

Please contact Clyst Vale Post 16 on 01392 462697 or visit our website: www.clystvale.org/visitors/sixth-form
Clyst Vale Post 16, Station Road, Broadclyst, Exeter, Devon EX5 3AJ.



Clyst Vale
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
A Science, Maths and Computing Academy

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 “skinnies”, jeans, leggings, chinos or any trousers with rivets or studs. Trousers must be worn on the waist.
- Skirts should be plain black, around knee length and certainly no more than 10cm higher than the centre of 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

Thursday 24 March	Last day of Spring Term	
Tuesday 12 April	Start of Summer Term	
Sat 16th-Sun 17th April	Ten Tors Weekend 3	
Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 3rd May	Year 7 Parents' Evening	4.30pm
Fri 6th-Sun 8th May	Ten Tors Main Event	
Monday 16th May	GCSEs/GCEs commence	
Monday 30 May - Friday 3 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	
Monday 18th July	College Awards Evening (tbc)	
Mon 18th-Tues 19th July	Post-16 Taster Days	
Wednesday 20 July	Last day of Summer Term	