

NEWSLETTER

"One of the greatest discoveries a man makes is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn't do"

Henry Ford



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will be Week B

Dear Parents/Carers

Bugsy Malone

Next week we will be transported to the Prohibition era in America, when gangsters and their molls congregate in Fat Sam's Speak-Easy. Yes, it's the long-awaited Bugsy Malone, and literally thousands of hours have been invested into the production. Once again, there has been unbelievable support from members of the College community. I believe it's theatrical bad luck to go on too much before a production opens, so I'll just say that I am so proud and grateful for everyone's efforts, and I'm looking forward to the show! Tickets are available from the Barnfield Theatre and on their website.

Science Week

Next week is Science Week, and there will be a number of extra activities and special events run by our Science team. There will be special assemblies run by older students with demonstrations from the three sciences, and a Science Fair in the Hall on Wednesday lunchtime organised by the Science Club. There will also be a Science competition with quiz questions around the College for Years 7, 8 and 9. It will be good to see students getting involved and talking about Science next week.

Education Funding

You will have seen that Wednesday's budget did not provide much comfort in terms of the education crisis which is engulfing schools up and down the land. Even though the budget has been and gone, the Government's consultation on the National Funding Formula is still live, and it is still perfectly permissible to write to MPs and local councillors pointing out that this formula, if introduced, will deprive Clyst Vale of a further £67,000. Thanks to the efforts of the local Headteachers' Associations and individual parents, Governors and schools, the funding situation in Devon has reached the national media, and many of our local MPs are supportive. I've mentioned it before, but if parents/staff/members of the community do just one thing, please sign the Parliamentary petition which can be found on <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/177952>. It needs 10,000 signatures to trigger a government response.

Options

As usual, the deadline for Year 9 Options Forms last week was incredibly well-observed, and the processing has begun. Every individual choice is fed into a special timetabling programme, which then churns out the best distribution of subjects for the maximum number of students. There is always a small handful of clashes, and every year there is the proviso that subjects with very small numbers may not run. We will begin the individual student interviews hopefully next week; these are nothing to worry about, rather a reassurance that option choices are reasonable and sensible.

Spring

Judging by the explosion in daffs in the last week or so, Spring is here, although you'd be hard pressed to tell from the weather. During Spring, young mammals often get a bit skittish, and this still applies to a proportion of Year 7 and 8 (mostly). Hopefully, the field will be back in bounds soon as the treacly mud dries out, because this helps enormously in terms of lunchtime football and letting off steam. I mention this because we sometimes see an increase in lumps and bumps caused by over-boisterous rough play, and chase games which lead to accidental slips and collisions; also because this can be reported as bullying when it just isn't. Of course, we do everything we can to prevent this through messages in assembly, tutor time, staff presence on duty, and continually reinforcing the importance of personal safety and respect for others.

Kirkland Rowell Parents' Survey (Again)

Thank you to the parents who responded to my plea for more detailed information on why "diet" and "facilities" received the lowest satisfaction scores in the recent survey; it would be wonderful if a few more could e-mail in to give a fuller picture. As you'll know, schools do not have much funding for capital, so we are interested in where to invest it most effectively.

Staff Changes

Today we say goodbye to Dan Phillips, one of our Caretakers. Dan has been a success story; a former Clyst Vale student, he joined the premises staff as a cleaner, and has steadily worked his way up acquiring relevant qualifications over the years; and now he leaves for a further promotion to Woodwater Academy. We wish him every success in the future.



Dr Bawn

SPORTS NEWS



YEAR 11 FOOTBALL

Probably best just to whisper this, but our Year 11 boys have won their last 4 matches! Most recently this was against a confident St Peter's team who initially dominated possession but never quite managed to get away from us. No-nonsense defending from Alex Arthurs and Connor Hepburn, stoical goalkeeping from Jack Pepperell and two goals from inspirational captain Ollie Evans saw us through with a deserved 3-2 victory. Sssh!

Mr Everett
Sports Co-ordinator

BASKETBALL SUCCESS

Recent basketball matches for our keen Year 10 boys have yielded 100% success, albeit against familiar opposition. For reasons too convoluted to explain at this juncture, we played West Exe on three separate occasions, as well as a match against St Luke's. All four victories were by single figure margins and were never by any means guaranteed, thereby proving that our boys can play well under pressure. Offence was stronger than defence in most games, although a belated switch to Zone Defence proved decisive in the final game which we won by only two points. Incidentally, all the matches were against Year 11 opposition, making our squad even more praiseworthy; well done to Myles Courtney, Ollie Welch, Jack Maguire, James Venton, Jed Dahlke, Fin Jeffery, Owen Elliott, Ben Parker, Rob Clarke and Tre Campbell.



Mr Everett
Sports Co-ordinator

TRIPS

OXFORD UNIVERSITY TRIP

Well done to all the students from Years 10 through to 13 who travelled to Oxford for a day as part of the University's Outreach programme for Gifted and Talented Students. The event involved myth-busting, quizzes, informal talks with undergraduates, tours of the college, a tour of the historic and picturesque parts of Oxford and lunch in the ancient wooden dining hall lined with oil paintings of alumni, deans and rectors. The students behaved brilliantly, asking many well thought out questions and genuinely enjoyed the company of the three undergraduate students who walked them around the city. A day that will surely inspire the students to achieve their very best and eventually challenge for the top spots in some of England's best universities.



Mr Powell
Head of PE

STUDENTS OF THE ★ WEEK ★

CLYST VALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PRESENTS
ALAN PARKER'S



Barnfield Theatre, Exeter

15th - 18th March

Tickets: £8 children, £10 adults

Performances:

Wednesday 15th March 7.00pm

Thursday 16th March 7.00pm

Friday 17th March 7.00pm

Saturday 18th March 2.00pm and 7.00pm

Tickets available from the Barnfield Theatre box office
(01392 271808) or online

Play by Alan Parker

Words and Music by Paul Williams

By arrangement with Faber Music Ltd on behalf of Warner/Chappell Music Ltd

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YJPU	Lawrence Raeder
8YME	Haille Morgan
8YMM	Ethan Wheatcroft
9YJCO	Lucia Boyden
9YSP	Harry Quinton
10YMPR	Toby Derges
11YCW	Reece Warren

SILVER SCHOOL

7SMBR	Sam Mills
9SLA	Katie Berry
10SNS	Jack Jeffery & Elsie Andrews
11SDJ	Daisy Lugg
11SSG	Sophie Buckland & Jake Kendall-Torry

RED SCHOOL

7RCM	Jennifer Auld
7RKC	Oliver Churchill
8RZB	James Selley-Steer
9RAR	Jasmine Daniels
10RDH	Louise Lines
10RGG	Edward Gold
11RMHI	Issy Calderwood
11RTMA	Katey Johnson

Lunch Clubs Mon - Wed

Mon	Music Club - WEEK A	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Year 11 Maths Workshops	1.30pm to 2pm	Look at posters in Maths Rooms		Miss Barratt
Mon	Year 8 (girls) Netball	1.45pm	Courts	New Block	Miss Wright
Mon	Bugsy Cast Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Mon	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Mon	Year 7, 8 & 9 (boys & girls) Basketball	1.45pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Mon	Year 9 Rugby	1.45pm	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	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Tues	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 Netball	1.45pm	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot Mrs Bennett
Tues	Food - Theory Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Crook
Tues	All Years Badminton	1.45pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Football	1.45pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Tues	Year 10 & 11 Rugby	1.45pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce Miss Wright
Tues	Year 10 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 10 Maths Workshop (Disadvantaged Students)	Lunchtime	MA8		Mrs Manaton Mrs Hucklesby
Wed	Music Club - WEEK B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	Bugsy Cast Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Wed	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Dance (all years)	1.45pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones' Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	French Year 11 Revision Sessions	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
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 & 8 Girls Netball	1.45pm	Courts	New Block	Mrs Broomfield
Wed	Year 10 - 13 Basketball	1.45pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett



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

Lunch Clubs Thurs - Fri

Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Dance	1.45pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Badminton	1.45pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Thurs	Food - Theory Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT4		Mrs Crook
Thurs	Girls Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mrs Higginson
Thurs	Music Club - Week A	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Thurs	Bugsy Orchestra	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	1.30pm	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 Rugby	1.45pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Year 9 Football	1.45pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Thurs	Year 11 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thurs	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Minecraft Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	Academic Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Fri	Music Club - WEEK A & B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Bugsy Orchestra	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Fri	Inter Tutor (Year 7 - 11)	1.45pm	Various	New Block unless specified	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce/ Mrs Elliot
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Football	1.45pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Fri	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Fri	GCSE PE Revision (Week A)	1.45pm	PE5		Mrs Broomfield

CHARITY NEWS



Our next non uniform day will be in aid of Comic Relief and Red Nose Day.

This is taking place on Friday 24th March and costs just 50p.

If you would like to do anything else to help fundraise for Comic Relief, please see the Charity notice-board (outside Dr Bawn's office), ask your AtHOS or HOS or me. I have plenty of resources/sponsor sheets/balloons and stickers.

Thank you for your support.

Ms Phillips
Additional Support

CALENDAR DATES

Mon 20th February	Y13 Mock Exam Week
Thurs 23rd February	4.30 - 7.00 Y9 Parents' Evening
Sat 25th February - Sun 26th February	Ten Tors 2 nd overnigher
Tues 28th February	Y11 Pre-exam Support Evening
Thurs 2nd March	1.30pm Y13 Slapton Ley trip leaves
Sat 4th March	Y13 Slapton Ley trip returns
Wed 15th March - Sat 18th March	'Bugsy Malone' School Production, Barnfield Theatre
Tuesday 21st March	Deep Learning Day
Thurs 23rd March	4.30 - 7.00 Y12 Parents' Evening
Fri 24th March	Red Nose Day - Non Uniform Day
Sat 25th March - Sun 26th March	Ten Tors third overnigher
Mon 27th March - Fri 31st March	Year 10 mock exams week
Fri 31st March	Last day of Spring 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

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.

All uniform 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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