



NEWSLETTER

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"I am an idealist. I don't know where I'm going
but I'm on my way"

Carl Sandburg

Dear Parents/Carers

It's been a good week (apart from the weather breaking at last).

Post-16 Open Evening

Thank you very much to students and parents who attended last night's Open Evening. We run a surprisingly wide range of A-level and some BTEC level 3 qualifications, and our strength is being a school-based Sixth Form where individuals are known and matter, which means that our retention rates compare favourably to any other local provider. If you missed the Open Evening, and if you are in a similar position, please contact Mrs Dormand, Head of Post-16, on 01392-462697 for a conversation by phone, an appointment to meet, or to request a prospectus. As I stood on "front of house" duty on the path by the netball courts, it was very heartening to talk to so many students and parents as they arrived and left; I reflected that we've known most of the young people for 5 years, and seen them grow from nervous Year 7s to a point where GCSE grades, A-levels and serious thoughts of university or apprenticeships are at the forefront of their minds. There was a great deal of positivity and loyalty shown towards the College, and many parents commented on the passion and commitment of my colleagues. "Life's a journey" is a common phrase, but it would be fantastic to be able to help Year 11 on the next stage of theirs here at Clyst Vale.

Ghostly Tales

What another great evening! In previous years Miss Ruscoe has entered our Year 10s for the Shakespeare in Schools Festival, but in my humble opinion "Ghostly Tales" was a good decision. For a start it was a "Clyst Vale" event; it enabled more students to take part; it included students from Years 9 to 13; and it enabled more students to gain experience of performing on a public stage. Understandably, with such a range of ages and abilities the performances varied a little, but the best ones were brilliant, and I was delighted to see how well some of our student performers have improved and progressed over the years. The fourteen playlets were varied in style and spookiness, which meant the evening sped along; and overall there was a body count to rival many a war film, even though many of them then came back as ghosts. As ever, many thanks to parents and families for your support.

Remembrance

We take Remembrance seriously at Clyst Vale, all the more so because we're not a school with a military ethos, and few children come from service families. In September, we hold Harry Patch Day; in the summer term there is a history trip to the Belgian battlefields. At the time of Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day, we hold special-themed assemblies, collect for the RBL Poppy Appeal, and observe the

two minutes' silence. The message has always been the importance of remembering and the practical benefits, rather than any glorification of war. I'm pleased to report this year that students have once again been highly respectful.

Cognitive Ability Tests

Year 7 have been wonderful during this week's CATs, coping well with both the tests and the technology. We have moved to on-line assessment rather than paper-based for several reasons: it's quicker, more efficient, and a little less daunting for students than sitting in an exam room (so is likely to give a truer reflection of ability, too). We reassured students that there is no "pass/fail" in these tests, and they are just to help us get a more accurate picture of their ability.

Washington Visit

For several Sixth Form students, this week's American election was particularly "real", as it was only a matter of days since they had been in Washington on the Sixth Form Politics visit, led by Mrs Padden. This is a great trip to the seat of American government, as well as visiting the memorials to former Presidents and leaders, and experiencing the build-up to the election. Whether a future Clyst Vale party will visit the Trump memorial remains to be seen. Student feedback? One student summed it up: "It was absolutely fantastic, really brilliant....but there was lots of walking". You will find photos and more information elsewhere on the website.

GCSE Presentation Evening

A further reminder for Year 12 students, parents and their friends from last year that this evening will be on Tuesday 22nd November. This is always a lovely evening, and a pleasure to welcome back last year's Year 11 students. The guest speaker will be one of Clyst Vale's most successful former students!

Staff Changes

Last Friday, we said our goodbyes to Miss Vicky Carnall, who leaves after 12 years as a Teaching Assistant. Miss Carnall, a former Clyst Vale student, was passionate about netball and had trained as a chef, which made her versatile in supporting students! Many students will remember her at Bude, either at the Year 8 residential, or the extra visits in May half-term which she herself organised and ran. She leaves us to work for SchoolsCompany, supporting students with severe social and emotional needs at their base in Tiverton.

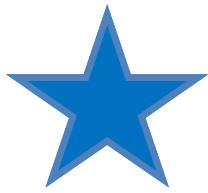
Best wishes.



Dr Bawn



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



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL

7YJPU	Emilie Atwell
8YME	Daisy Norris
8YMM	Libby Windle
9YSP	Aaron Young
9YJCO	Damien Beattie
10YMPR	Ellen Blacker

RED SCHOOL

7RCM	Alisha Newton
7RKC	Ashik Skelton
8RZB	Anya Turner
9RAR	Rowan Greaves
10RDH	Jack Cromwell
10RGG	Dylan Pengilly
11RMHI	Kate Branson
11RTMA	Josephine Wild

GREEN SCHOOL

7GHE	Charlotte Powell
7GIQ	Jack Williams
8GPE	Charlie Blackburn
9GABR	Emily Ferdinand & Jacob Lush
9GTGA	Poppy Neville & Noah Muscatt
10GSW	Dulcie Sanders
11GGT	Tristram Howe & Poppy Bilton

SILVER SCHOOL

8SAO	Keira Parsons
10SNG	Emily Blatchford & Shannon Carpenter
11SDJ	Kiara Ashford
11SSG	Jack Pepperell, Hannah Gooding & William Fowles

SPORTS NEWS

U15 Netball

A huge well done to the Year 10 Netball team who played against St Peter's last week in miserable conditions. Huge progress has been made due to their effort and commitment at training and we managed to win 14-8. Player of the match was given to Alice Courtier, however all girls played brilliantly and were extremely tenacious and resilient! There was some excellent shooting from Mya and Megan.

I would also like to thank the Year 10 girls who have turned up each week since September to help coach the younger students and also umpire inter-tutor matches. It is extremely helpful and greatly appreciated.

Good luck for the Year 9 & 10 match on Tuesday at St. Luke's. We will return to Clyst Vale at approximately 5pm.

Mrs Elliot

Lunch Clubs—Mon—Thurs

Mon	Music Club - WEEK A	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	School Newspaper (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	EN5		Miss Haynes
Mon	Choir	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Mon	GCSE PE Workshop/Revision	1.40pm to 2.15pm	PE5		Miss Garman
			Look at posters		
Mon	Year 11 Maths Workshops	1.30pm to 2pm	in Maths Rooms		Miss Barratt
Mon	Year 7, 8 & 9 (boys & girls) Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Mon	Year 9 Rugby	Lunchtime	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	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot/Mrs Bennett
Tues	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Miss Garman
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Tues	Year 10 & 11 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Powell
Tues	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 10 B&V Revision (AFTER XMAS)	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Music Club - WEEK B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	Jazz Band	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Wed	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Nurses Office-Post 16		Mrs Gillespie
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	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Miss Garman
Wed	Year 10 - 13 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Dance	Lunchtime	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	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Miss Garman
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	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Powell
Thurs	Year 9 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Thurs	Year 11 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thurs	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe

Lunch Clubs—Fri

Fri	Minecraft Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
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)	Lunchtime	Various	New Block	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce
				Unless Specified	Mrs Elliot/Miss Garman
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Fri	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Games Club - Year 7	1.30pm - 2.00 pm	EN6		Miss Quick
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden



CALENDAR DATES

Tues 15th November	Year 12 Meet the Tutor (4.30pm) & U19 Netball National Schools
Wed 16th November	G&T Architecture Day
Thurs 17th November	7.00 Woman in Black Theatre Trip
Fri 18th November	Children in Need (Non Uniform Day)
Tues 22nd November	GCSE Presentation Evening (7pm)
Thurs 24th November	Year 10 Parents' evening (4.30pm)
Tues 29th November	Year 13 Parents' Evening (4.30pm)
Last Day of Autumn Term	Fri 16th December 2016
Start of Spring Term 2017	Wed 4th January 2017
Half Term	Mon 13th February to Fri 17th February 2017

CHARITY NEWS



Our next non uniform day will be in aid of Children In Need
This is taking place on Friday 18th November and costs just 50p

Thank you for your support.

Ms Phillips
Additional Support

SHOEBOX APPEAL

Please let me have your
completed shoeboxes
ASAP.

Ms Phillips

Devon
School
Admissions
Service

Devon
County Council 

Public Consultation

School Admission Arrangements for state-funded schools and Education Travel Arrangements and Relevant Area for Admissions

consultation open from 1 November 2016 to 6 January 2017

You are invited to consider the arrangements
proposed by Devon County Council and by academy,
voluntary aided, foundation and free schools in
Devon** which are their own admission authorities.

and the following academies in Plymouth: **Oreston Community Academy, **Old Priory** Junior Academy, **St Edward's** CofE Primary, **St George's** CofE Primary, **St Matthew's** CofE Primary & Nursery and in Torbay: **All Saints**, **Babbacombe**, CofE Primary, **Oldway** Primary, **Roselands** Primary, **St Marychurch** CofE Primary, **Upton St James** CofE Primary

To view the proposals, please visit:
www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements
or call My Devon on 0345 155 1019
for a paper version.

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.

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.

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