



EWSLETTER No. 611 w/c Mon 17 December 2018 will be Week A

THOUGHT OF THE FORTNIGHT

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth." Muhammad Ali

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 8 Parents Evening

A very big "thank you" to parents and carers of Year 8 students who turned out on a chilly night in preference to late night shopping and the Christmas Market. This must mean that Year 8 parents have Christmas completely sorted out already, and I am in awe of their organisation and planning, which hopefully will descend through genetics to their children when they reach Year 11. More seriously, it was a really positive evening with a very good attendance of 78%; in a year group of 170+ students it is unlikely that everything is going perfectly for everyone, so it was also an opportunity to raise questions and concerns. It's very heartening for my colleagues to know that they can count on strong parental support, which is also a major foundation for students to reach and exceed their potential.

Year 11 and Year 13 Mocks

Year 11 mocks have been marked and returned to students. Reports will go out to parents next week. It's very important that students reflect and engage in the process, what went well, what didn't, and do not tick it off the list. It's worth pointing out that the targets on the Progress Reports are high; if a student achieves this grade they will be in the top 20% of students with that level of ability from Year 6.

Year 13 mocks will be held in late January, the week after "Annie". There is an unusually long gap between New Year's Day and the start of term, which would be ideal for revision....

Carol Service, Wednesday 19th December, 7.00 pm, Whimple.

Don't forget next Wednesday! The annual Carol Service is one of the highlights of the Clyst Vale calendar, a true antidote to the weather, Christmas materialism, education funding cuts, and Brexit. Once again, we're very grateful to the Rev Chris Martin for allowing us to hold it in St Mary's Church, Whimple. It will be the customary mix of Bible readings, traditional hymns, and a wide selection of secular readings, popular Christmas songs, and some excellent cover versions of music from past and present TV adverts. For the first time, Sixth Form students are taking responsibility for organising it as part of their BTec Performing Arts course. I can guarantee that there will be one or two songs or performances which will make you think "wow", and I always look forward to seeing the emergence of new CVCC talent. There will be mince pies and mulled wine; it's not a particularly good night on TV; and it's confirmed that I will not be reading a Betjeman poem. There are so many reasons to come along!

University Research

I have a personal reason for mentioning this, as 47 Year 11 students (and their parents) consented to taking part in some research activities for my daughter Rosie's PhD studies at the University of York. The students were polite, courteous, interested and a real credit; Rosie (and I) would like to thank them all. More widely, as a College we do support university projects from time to time, most commonly Exeter University. Clearly, these are all considered very carefully for ethics, safeguarding, and the amount of disruption which may be caused. On the other hand, we're an educational institution and to me it seems right to support other educational institutions, especially where the research is directly related to young people's education, health or well-being.

Smart Watches, iFit Watches and Similar

I expect Santa may be delivering iFit watches and similar technology in a few days' time. So, at the risk of sounding like Scrooge, please can I remind students and parents that if these items can be connected to the internet directly or indirectly through a phone these items are covered by the Smartphone Policy and won't be permitted in College. Similarly, if they can transmit or receive messages then they are not permitted. The whole point of the Smartphone Policy is to improve learning through reducing distractions, and Smart Watches are potentially a distraction.

Behaviour on Buses (yet again)

There must be about a quarter of a million bus journeys by individual Clyst Vale students each year, so it really is a tiny minority of students I am talking about. Students must remember that not only do College rules apply on the buses, but misbehaving students risk warning letters and temporary bans. Please report incidents to us if and when they occur, and we will follow them up. Not poor behaviour, but a genuine accident occurred yesterday when a ball rolled down the coach aisle and ended up among the driver's pedals. This is obviously incredibly dangerous, and our students understand that this is the case, but please reinforce our message to students that balls must be kept in bags on the bus.

CHARITY NEWS

<u>Non-Uniform Day</u> Friday 21st December

The non-uniform day on Friday 21st December will be for <u>Young Minds</u>.

This Charity is Committed to improving children's wellbeing and mental health and is now in its 25th year!! For mor information on the work of the Charity please see www.youngminds.org.uk



Ms Phillips Additional Support

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Dr Bawn



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

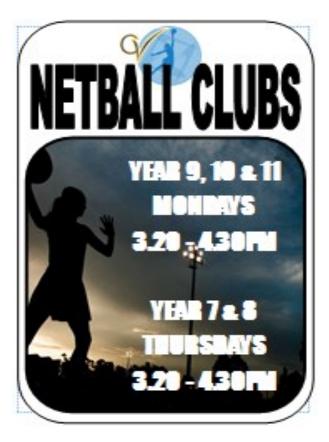


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7YNS	Joseph Rees-Lee
7YMPR	Lily-Rose Burwood
8YRB	Mia Barton
9YJPU	Jack O'Connor
9YMBR	Luke Williams
10YMM	Emily Dunn
10ү2К	Niamh Walter
11YSP	Jess Norgate
11YMHI	Sam Johnson

7RGG	Johnathan Ovenden
7RHCH	Cody Gray
8RHC	Isabelle Burgess
8RTMA	Eliot Sibley
9RCJ	Harry Down
9RCM	Alex Cox
10RZB	Will Smythe
11RAR	Rosie Pring
11RLA	Immie Hopkinson

RED SCHOOL



STUDENT ABSENCES YEARS 7 - 11 The number for absences is 01392 - 463936 or email <u>studentabsence@clystvale.org</u>



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Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Monday (Week A & B)	Music Club	1.40pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Monday	B&V Paper 1 Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Monday	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Monday	Year 9 & 10 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Monday	Year 11 Boys Rugby Club	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Monday	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Monday	Year 11 Revision Buddhism & Sikhism	1.30pm	HU2		Mrs Battishill
Monday	Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Foulds
Monday	Drama Drop In/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Mrs Bowring
Tuesday	B&V Paper 2 Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tuesday	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	Maths Rooms		All Maths except Dr Turl
Tuesday	Key Stage 4 & 5 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tuesday	Year 11 Pilates	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Mrs Needs
Tuesday (Week A) Tuesday (Week B)	Year 10/11 Food Practical Year 11 NEA Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT3 IT4		Mrs Crook
Tuesday	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tuesday	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tuesday	KS3 Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Mrs Bowring
Wednesday	B&V Drop In Support	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wednesday	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Wednesday	Year 9 Indoor Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Mr Brooks
Wednesday	Drug & Alcohol Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wednesday	Year 12 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA4		Miss Prance/Dr Turl
Wednesday (Week A)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barrett
Wednesday (Week B)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA5		Mrs Adie
Wednesday	KS3 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce & Exeter Chiefs
Wednesday	Year 11 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Wednesday	Drama Drop In/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Mrs Bowring
Thursday	Various Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/Mr Powell & Mrs Elliot
Thursday	Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	Library		Miss Matthews
Thursday	KS3 Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Mrs Bowring
Thursday	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA1		Dr Turl
Thursday (Week A) Thursday (Week B)	Year 11 NEA Catch Up Year 10 Food Practical	Lunchtime	IT4 DT3		Mrs Crook
Thursday	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Friday	Various Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mrs Elliot/Mr Everett/Mr Powell & Mrs Broomfield
Friday	Dram Drop In/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Mrs Bowring
Friday	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott

CALENDAR DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2018	
Wed 19 Dec	Christmas Concert 7.00 - 9.00
Fri 21 Dec 2018	Non-Uniform Day (Rights Respecting Schools) LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM
SPRING TERM 2019	
Mon 7 Jan 2019	START OF SPRING TERM
Sat 12 - Sun 13 Jan	Ten Tors Bronze D of E Weekend
Thurs 17 Jan	Y11 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.30
Wed 23 - Sat 26 Jan	College Production of 'Annie' at Barnfield Theatre 7pm all evenings plus 2pm on Saturday
Mon 28 Jan	Y9 Girls' HPV Vaccinations
Wed 30 Jan	Ski Trip Information Evening 5.15 - 7.30
Tues 5 Feb	Y11 Pre Exam Support Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Sat 9 - Sun 10 Feb	Ten Tors Practice/Bronze D of E Weekend
Thurs 14 Feb	Y9 Options Evening 4.30 - 6.30
Fri 15 Feb	Non-Uniform Day (Force)
Mon 18 - Fri 22 Feb 2019	SPRING HALF TERM
Thurs 28 Feb	Y9 Parents' Evening 6.30 - 8.30
Fri 8 March	Y9 BCG Vaccinations
Tues 12 March	Y10 Parents' Evening 6.30 - 8.30
Wed 20 - Fri 22 March	Y12 Geography Residential - Dorset
Fri 29 March	Take Your Child to Work Day
Thurs 4 April	PE Sports Awards Evening 6.00 - 9.00
Fri 5 April 2019	Non-Uniform Day (Guide Dogs for the Blind) LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
SUMMER TERM 2019	
Wed 24 April 2019	START OF SUMMER TERM
Sat 27 - Sun 28 April	Ten Tors Practice Weekend
Thurs 2 May	Y7 Parents' Evening 4.15 - 7.00
Mon 6 May	Bank Holiday
Tues 7 May	Y12 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.30
Fri 10 - Sun 12 May	Ten Tors Main Event
Fri 24 May	Y11 and Y13 Study Leave Starts

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CALENDAR DATES cont'd

Mon 27 - Fri 31 May 2019	SUMMER HALF TERM
Wed 12 June	Y6 Non Feeder Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Fri 28 June	Y11 Prom 6.00 - 11.00
Mon 8 July	New Intake Parents' Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Tues 9 July	Sports Day
Fri 12 July	Y12 Final Day
Mon 15 July - Fri 19 July	Y10 Work Experience Week
Thurs 18 - Sun 21 July	Y12 Gold D of E Practice
Fri 19 July 2019	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

Clyst Vale Community College Christmas Carol Service 2018





Wednesday 19th of December-<u>Whimple</u> Church- 7:00pm



Come and join us for a festive celebration of seasonal music and readings, led by Clyst Vale students. Mince pies and mulled wine will be available afterwards.

Stocking fillers...

Don't forget that mini dictionaries and thesauruses can be great stocking fillers for students. They can retail for as little as £1 in pound shops and discount stationers so they won't put a huge dent in Santa's wallet either!

Mrs Oldfield Head of English



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 you will be contacted 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 ring: Penni Ball (Attendance Officer) Direct line: 01392 463911 Email: studentabsence@clystvale.org

For Year 12 - 13 Absences Please ring: Jassy Barrington (Post-16 PA) Direct line: 01392 462697 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.
- 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

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

COLLEGE DRESS FROM SEPTEMBER 2018

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 College logo.
- Boys trousers Banner Slimbridge (Black)/Banner Falmouth (Black).
- Girls trousers Trutex GTN (2 pocket black)/David Luke DL965 black).
- All trousers must have Clyst Vale logo rivet on waistband.
- Skirts Blue Tartan.
- Trutex Senior stitched down/Taylor Tartan (blue) skirt and may be worn no more than 2" above the knee. Knee length black tailored shorts may be worn in the summer.
- Black sturdy shoes or **all black** trainers.
- White socks or black tights with skirts.
- Clyst Vale reversible jacket or other outdoor coat.

All uniform and PE Kit 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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