



NEWSLETTER

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“Cuisine is when things taste like what they are”
Prue Leith

Dear Parents/Carers,

GCSE Certificate Presentation Evening, Tuesday 14th November

This is always one of our annual highlights, and this year’s event lived up to this reputation. It also seems to be growing: we saw our highest ever attendance. GCSE and GCSE equivalent certificates were awarded to all students attending; certificates and prizes to the students making the best achievement and most progress in each subject and you will find a full list below in this Newsletter. It was an extremely close thing between three students who are also very good friends, but the overall winner of the Achievement award was Maddy Ross; the student making most progress under the new “Progress 8” measure, and winner of the overall Progress Award, was Marcus McCabe. Our guest speaker was County Councillor, Independent Parliamentary Candidate and (most importantly, of course) former Clyst Vale student Claire Wright. Claire’s theme was “what I would tell my younger self”, which included always being true to yourself and your values; identify what these are as early as you can (Claire’s passion for campaigning started at Clyst Vale); reflect on significant moments and turning-points in your life; and while academic success is obviously a help, life after school is actually what you make it. Congratulations to ALL of last year’s Year 11, best wishes that their GCSEs are the first step to great things, and that we will have a long list of high-achieving former students to speak at future Presentation Evenings. Enormous thanks go to Mrs Dominy for her superb organisation of the evening, and to colleagues who supported her.

“RAP 2”

The Progress Reports for all students are issued today; this includes narrative reports for Year 7. You will notice that the somewhat grudging word “adequate” no longer appears, and parental feedback has played an important part in this. In College, we follow up the Reports with a tutorial to reflect on achievement and progress (hence “RAP tutorial”), review strengths and weaknesses, and consider targets for improvement. Reports are for parents and carers, too: if you have any concerns or queries, please direct them to either your child’s AtHoS in the first instance, or if it is subject-specific, to the teacher of that individual subject.

Year 11 Mocks

These will be held from the 4th to 12th December, with the pen-and-paper exams in the first week, Art and Photography on 11th and 12th. Timetables will be issued to students next week, but as I said in assembly yesterday all subjects are setting an exam. Subjects will also be setting revision for homework, and giving advice about revision techniques. There is also plenty on the internet: GCSE Pod, Bitesize, CVCC Moodle. We aim for the mocks to be a realistic “rehearsal”, but there have to be compromises on the number of exams and the length of exams, or we’d be doing mocks for three weeks.

From PTFA to PIGs

The evolution of the PTFA into a Parents' Interest/Information Group continues apace. There was a really enjoyable meeting on Wednesday; I ran through the GCSE curriculum and accountability changes, and how they are affecting the curriculum and approaches to teaching and learning for all year groups. There was a very interesting discussion about these issues, as well as further discussion about uniform, smartphones and catering. I cannot stress enough how valuable it is to meet parents face-to-face about general issues rather than specific ones, and I hope that more and more parents will be attracted by these meetings. The PTFA business part of the meeting lasted about five minutes, and no-one was signed up for anything or asked to contribute time or money.

Funding Update

The "Worth Less?" campaign (of which we are part) was on Tuesday's news presenting a letter to the Chancellor in 11 Downing Street imploring that he reinstates the £1.7bn which will be removed from school budgets between 2015 and 2020. Worth Less? is an umbrella campaign group for low funded counties and schools. In September 2017 it represented 17 counties, but such are the levels of concern that this has now risen to 30. The Headteacher representatives in London were speaking on behalf of 5,000 schools and over 3 million families. If you are thinking of e-mailing your constituency MP in advance of the budget, a selection of these points may be helpful:

- . In 2015-16, 9,400 schools – over a third of state schools - were in deficit. This does not include Clyst Vale due to careful financial planning and steady reductions.
- . The new National Funding Formula has entirely failed to address the huge disparities in funding between schools in England. In extreme cases one state school can receive £4.4 million (64%) less than one of equivalent size / pupil numbers.
- . Significant rising costs such as unfunded salary increases, employer's National Insurance contributions and the removal of key educational grants mean that cash improvements to school budgets are immediately offset in real terms. The Institute for Fiscal Studies states that there will be a 4.6% reduction in real terms to school budgets 2015-20.
- . Last year secondary schools across Devon released or made redundant over 90 teaching assistants and 50 teachers.
- . Option choices were reduced at GCSE as Devon schools reduced information technology spending by over a million pounds.
- . Additionally, almost all schools across Devon cut a number of enrichment courses and support with transport.
- . The £1.3 bn announced by the government as an increase in spending for schools is nothing of the kind. Originally funding was to be cut by £3 billion, so now it is only being cut by £1.7 billion. This is not good enough and does not represent fair funding.
- . A child in Devon does not receive the same funding for their education from this government as children in other parts of the country, or even the national average.

The 39 Steps

Opening night is a week on Monday! Tickets are going steadily, with just over twenty left. Sometimes, the audience at school shows is largely made up of friends and relatives of the cast, but if you enjoy fast-paced verbal humour and slapstick and have never seen The 39 Steps, now's your chance. You'll need to book them directly from Cygnet Theatre.





Subject	Achievement 1st choice	Progress 1st choice
Art	Erin Hewald	Angel Tucker
Biology	Chris Grieve	John Thurley
Business Studies	Harry Knowles	Kate Branson
Chemistry	Robbie Palmer	Jess Pascoe
Child Dev	Martha Harrington	Teoni Wilson
Computing	Adam Barber	Harry Price
Design & Technology	Maisie Bailey	Yasmin Thain
Food Tech	Holly Daniels	Martha Harrington
Drama	Amelia Hopkinson	Martha Harrington
English Lang	Erin Hewald	Paige Galliford
English Lit	Maddy Ross	Coral Woodstock
French	Eleanor Sansbury	Lucy Roberts
Geography	Josephine Wild	Millie Pascoe
Health & Social Care	Cody Hole	Sophie Louise Thomas
History	Maddy Ross	Marcus McCabe
iMedia	Peter Feehan	Robert Stone
Maths	Chris Grieve	Harry Price
Music	Robbie Palmer	Tom Palmer
PE	Jess Pascoe	Maddy Ross
BTEC Sport	Harry Knowles	Logan Dawkins
Photography	Issy Calderwood	Robert Stone
Physics	Marcus McCabe	Joe West
Religious Studies	Chris Grieve	Ella Bibby
Science	Rosie Martin	Maisie Bailey
Spanish	Kelsey Marriott	Ella Bibby
Overall winners	Maddy Ross	Marcus McCabe



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL

7REW	Maggie Pascoe
7RTMA	Harvey Tarrant
8RCJ	Rhys Smaldon-Welham
8RCM	Toby Pearce
9RZB	James Selley-Steer
10RAR	Ellie Harris
10RLA	Draton Pike
11RDH	Robert Clarke
11RGG	Cleo Isaac

GREEN SCHOOL

7GGT	Millie Moxey & Ollie Readman
8GHE	Adam Muscat, Jack Kingston & Luca Santillo
8GIM	Breanna Leach, Theo Munro & Henry Walker
9GPE	Eve Wollen & Rufus Perrott-Kolk
10GBAR	Lauren Elliot & Josh Bradley
10GBA	Millie-Jo Elliott & Corbyn Aitken
11GSW	Peter Hoskins, Dulcie Saunders & Jay

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YRB	Maya Barton
8YMBR	Ted Collins
8YJPU	Jack O'Connor
9YMM	Will Blum
10YSP	Zoanne Morrish & Jessica Norgate
11YNS	Coby Lincoln

CALENDAR DATES

Tues 21st Nov	4.30 Y13 Parents' Evening
Thurs 30th Nov	4.30 Y12 Meet the Tutor
Mon 4th Dec—Fri 8th Dec	Mocks/practice exams
Sat 9th Dec	DofE/Ten Tors Walk 2 Dartmoor
Tues 12th Dec	4.30pm Y8 Parents' Evening
Fri 15th Dec	Non Uniform Day – Alzheimer's Society
Mon 18th Dec	Carol Service - Whimpe Parish Church
Thurs 21st Dec—2nd Jan	Christmas Holidays
Wed 3 Jan	First day back for the Students

SPORTS NEWS

Year 7 Netball v Uffculme

On Tuesday, Clyst Vale year 7 girls were really excited to play their first ever match and to be travelling away to Uffculme. We played well as a team, especially our centre - Charlotte. She was quick and helped the ball travel the right way. Our shooters, Sophie and Harriet, did very well



beating the Uffculme defenders and the shooters from Uffculme were exceptionally good too. It was a tough half but Clyst Vale came out with a 6-5 lead.

In the second half we were all becoming confident and more positive. Holli did amazingly well getting the ball towards the shooters from WA. Polly and Lucy swapped positions a number of times to try to mark their amazing GA and defend the goal. Freya also helped intercept the ball and send it quickly back to the other end to our shooters. Both team's shooters managed another 3 goals each in the second half, making the score a close 9-8 at the end of the game. An exciting win for Clyst Vale.

We loved our first match and can't wait for the next one. Thank you Mrs Elliot for taking us.

Player of the match and match report written by Lucy Emeleus 7YKHO

Clyst Vale Year 7 netball second team travelled to Uffculme Secondary School to play a friendly match against their Year 7 team on Tuesday, November 7th and came away with a well-deserved 3-3 draw. It was Clyst Vale who went ahead in the first quarter when Sydney, assisted by Maddie, Clyst Vale's goal attack, beat the Uffculme defence to go one up. Uffculme fought back to level the score at the end of quarter one.



The second quarter opened with Clyst Vale's Sydney getting another goal but again the home side equalised, despite great goal keeping by Keira, to end the second quarter level. In the third quarter there was a great team effort to help Sydney to score again to put Clyst Vale 3-2 up going into the last quarter.

In the last quarter, the Clyst Vale team was again playing great netball with centre Maggie playing very well but Uffculme equalised at the last minute to make the final score three-all.

Player of the match and match report written by Maddie Grabham

SPORTS NEWS continued

King of the Courtney

In a close match last week our U16 Basketball boys defeated St Lukes by 57-42. Thanks mainly to the superb shooting skills of Myles Courtney who scored 34 of our points (nearly 60%) which included six '3 pointers'. A highly entertaining match saw us fall behind as their 6' 2" players took advantage of our lack of height, but a devastating third quarter's display of outside shooting from Myles resulted in a fairly relaxed final 5 minutes. Yes, we had 8 other athletic and talented players, but it was certainly a day for one to remember; he was quite simply (sorry, you knew it was coming) Myles ahead!



Phil Everett
Sports Co-ordinator

Dear parents, grandparents and guardians,

Celebrate reading at our HALF PRICE Book Fair!

The Book Fair will be arriving in the school library soon, with hundreds of new books for children and young people to browse and buy.

Come and join us!

WHEN	FOR STUDENTS	MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
Thursday 30th November	Breaktime, Lunchtime & After School	From 3.30pm – 6pm
Friday 1st December	Breaktime, Lunchtime & After School	From 3.30pm – 4pm
Monday 4 th December	Breaktime, Lunchtime & After School	From 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Tuesday 5 th December	Breaktime, Lunchtime & After School	From 3.30pm – 4pm

There are over 200 titles to choose from, and everything is HALF PRICE, making this event not just exciting but affordable too! Prices for books start from only £1.00, so there's sure to be a book for everyone. Also available for sale will be a great range of stationery and posters.

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for our school library!

Kind regards,

Sarah Foulds
Library Manager

Lunch Clubs - Monday - Thursday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Mon	Music Club - WEEK A & B	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Netball (to start in a few weeks time)	Lunchtime	Courts		Mrs Needs
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	All Years Girls Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Science Club - WEEK B	Lunchtime	SC2		Dr Odunlade
Mon	Invasion of the Pawn Snatchers Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Foulds
Mon	B&V Year 11 Religion Unit	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Mon	Year 10 & 11 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett

Tues	Year 10 & 11 GCSE History Catch Up	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Tues	Year 11 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up - WEEK A	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt
Tues	Year 9 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Miss Bennett
Tues	Year 8 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tues	Year 9 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Tues	Year 11 B&V Thematic Unit	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton

Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 9 B&V	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Wed	All Years Dance & Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones' Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers room		Mrs Bennett
Wed	Year 11 Maths Surgery - WEEK A (Starting after Half Term)	1.30pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barratt Ms Prance
Wed	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Walton
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Broomfield
Wed	Year 8 & 9 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Wed	Year 10 GCSE Food Practical Catch - WEEK A	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Wed	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell

Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	Year 9 & 10 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Thurs	GCSE Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thurs	Year 11 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Thurs	Year 10 & 11 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 11 Science Workshop	Lunchtime	SC5		Mrs Serven
Thurs	Year 7 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Girls Film Club	1.40pm	HU5		Ms Matthews
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 B&V	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton

Lunch Clubs - Friday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Fri	Music Club - WEEK A & B	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers Room		Mrs Bennett
Fri	Year 7 - 11 Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce/Mrs Broomfield/Mrs Elliot/Mr Everett
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden

Ski Pila 2019

If your child is interested in being part of the next Ski Trip in 2019 they need to collect a letter from Mrs Woolacott or from the folder outside of the PE office.

Pila is an excellent beginner resort with over 70kms of pistes offering high altitude, snowsure skiing for everyone from complete beginners to those who have previously skied.

The price will be **£969.00** which includes the following:

- Travel from College to resort and return journey (luxury 49 seater coach fitted with seat belts), plus ferry, together with use of coach whilst in resort
- Ski lessons (morning and afternoon for six days)
- Hire of skis, boots and poles
- Full area lift pass
- Full insurance (including 24 hour Medicare, ski breakage and snow guarantee)
- Full board accommodation, including hot lunch on the slopes
- Après-ski activities, such as ice-skating, tubing, ski test and Presentation Evening
- College ski hooded sweatshirt



Behaviour and achievement points will be taken into consideration prior to students being accepted on this trip.

THE RED NOSE DESIGN CHALLENGE

Do your pupils have a nose for design?

Are you getting a whiff of some outstanding creativity in your classroom? Perhaps you are on the scent of the next great designers of our time?

Well, here comes a real challenge.

We're sniffing out all the creative geniuses from across the nation to be in with a chance of designing one of the new Noses for Red Nose Day 2019.

**FIND OUT HOW TO ENTER THE CHALLENGE NOW
AT REDNOSEDAY.COM/NOSES**

RND19_001 Comic Relief, registered charity 326558 (England and Wales); SC039730 (Scotland).



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 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



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

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.

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