



NEWSLETTER

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w/c Monday 21 March 2016
will be Week B

*"An idea can turn to dust or magic,
depending on the talent that rubs against it."
William Bernbach*

Dear Parents/Carers,

Deep Learning Day

Wednesday's "DLD" went very well. In particular, students' response was fantastic in all years. Year 7 enjoyed their visit to Chepstow Castle as part of the Humanities curriculum; Year 8 took part in a literacy day which involved quite a lot of rapping and consideration of rhythm; Year 9 focused on Healthy Lifestyles or ICT research skills in preparation for GCSE (with a theme of a BBC researcher looking into Education and Technology); Year 10 had a Science Coursework Day (the time available meant that extended experiments could be undertaken without eating into other subjects' lessons as on a normal day); Year 11 considered a range of social and health education topics based around a very good drama DVD; Year 12 travelled to Plymouth University for a Higher Education Day. As time goes by, the DLD provision becomes better and better; however, my colleagues invest a lot of time and planning to make them happen. I believe strongly that the opportunity for deeper learning is valuable, but more than that many DLD activities help build relationships between staff and students in a different way to formal teaching, which is one of Clyst Vale's particular strengths. For students, many of the activities are a break from the normal routine, do not involve writing everything down, and often allow students with different skills to shine.

Exam Years

Student individual exam timetables will be issued next week; these will be on paper and through Schoolcomms. It's worth printing off a spare copy for the fridge door, and also worth thinking about long term planning and the distribution of exams, especially which ones are after half-term. While the temptation is to not focus on these subjects because there's a week's break beforehand, this runs a big risk that they will become "neglected"; this is one of many reasons why we like to keep students in school right up to half-term, to ensure that these subjects remain "topped-up".

Once again, I have been delighted with Year 11's attitude and approach to the additional practice exams in English, Maths and B&V. It's the end of a short but intensive term, there are plenty of coughs and colds, but students have responded well. These mocks are important for the three subjects concerned, as they will be an indication of areas to focus on in the revision run-up. Of course, psychologically, another few visits to the exam rooms and familiarisation with the routines and surroundings provides helpful preparation.

Thank you to parents who attended last night's Year 12 Parents' Evening. This was a positive evening and again, the focus was very much on the next few weeks. For all exam years the "old-fashioned" messages are still current: good organisation, planning, hard work and not leaving everything until the night before still remain the keys to success. Students still ask me, "Should I be revising in the Easter holiday?" The answer is yes, but sensibly. There's no point cramming in information for an exam in two months' time; but there is a point in going back over which exam is which, which are the main themes, and there is also a point in organising files, folders and books, as well as starting to prepare revision cards, posters or post-its. It is also important to balance this with a decent rest.

Amnesty Day

Next Thursday our student Amnesty team will be running an all-day event to raise awareness about the refugee crisis; the focus will be humanitarian. Students from Years 7 and 8 will be invited to the hall to participate in interactive sessions; there will be an open mike event in the hall at lunch time, and various fund-raisers. We will be accepting donations of the items below all day in the Hall, which will be delivered to Refugee Action From Taunton (RAFT).

FOOD Ring pull tins of: (no meat pleas) Fish Vegetables Pulses (lentils, chick peas etc) Beans Baked beans Long life milk Rice Lentils Cereal bars	Teen clothes Trainers (especially boys'/men's) Small rucksacks (school bag size) Blankets Sleeping bags Baby milk Baby food Nappies MEDICAL Bandages Antiseptic cream Gauzes
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Led and coordinated by Miss Watt, our Amnesty School Group has done some fantastic things in recent years, contributing enormously to promoting information about human rights, citizenship, and in so doing reinforcing Clyst Vale's values. Many of the group will be leaving at the end of this academic year, so it is an excellent time for younger students to get involved!

PTFA: Hold the Date!!

The next meeting of the PTFA will be on Wednesday 20th April at 6.00 or 6.30 (tbc). We are hoping that Taylor Shaw, our contract caterers, will give a presentation and answer questions on the food provision at Clyst Vale, in light of developments such as the sugar tax and the national concerns over childhood obesity. This will be confirmed after the Easter break, but please hold the date as this is likely to be a particularly interesting meeting, and a great opportunity for parents to feed back (no pun intended) to Taylor Shaw.

Best wishes.



Dr Bawn



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



GREEN SCHOOL

7GAP	Harvey Board
8GABr	Lauren Elliott
8GTGa	Corbyn Aitken
9GSW	Jonah Holding
10GGT	Tegan Beggs
11GIQ	Adam Carpenter
11GPe	Fergus McDonald

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YPG	Emily Brooke
7YME	Elizabeth West
8YJC	Chloe Pennells
9YMPr	Jack Maguire
10YCW	Joe Chandler
11YJPu	Freya Pook
11YSP	Tommy Lyon

SILVER SCHOOL

7SAO	James Slater
10SDJ	Daisy Lugg
10SSG	Lucy Pullen

RED SCHOOL

10RTMa	Josephine Wild
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Lost Property

Lost property will be on show in the Giraffe House for a final time at breaktime on Monday (21st March). Anything not claimed by the end of breaktime on that day will be taken to the local clothing bank.

Thank you.

Mrs Down



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

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
	Into The Woods Rehearsals	1.45pm - 2.15pm			Miss Williams
	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
	Into The Wood Rehearsals	1.45pm to 2.15pm			Miss Williams
	Into The Wood Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe

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	
	Into The Woods Rehearsals	1.45pm - 2.15pm			Miss Williams	
	Into The Woods Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe	
	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	
Into The Woods Rehearsals		Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe	
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

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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.

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

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	

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