



NEWSLETTER

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will be Week A

"You are built to shrink down to less but to blossom into more."
Oprah Winfrey

Dear Parents/Carers

Early Lunchtimes

There are no more early lunches this term due to exams!

Parents and Carers

It's been a good week for contact with parents: there was the Parent Interest Group on Monday, the evening for students and parents of Year 6 pupils who don't attend our seven "feeder" schools, plus one or two parent governors yesterday!

Clyst Vale PIGs

This is SO Clyst Vale! Pigs are good-hearted, lovable, intelligent social creatures, although they can be a bit spiky at times, and so the new acronym is highly appropriate. The serious point is that the parents' group wishes to make a complete break from "PTFA" with all the associated stereotypes. The presentations which have already been held have been of a very good quality, and the challenge is to encourage parents to attend, safe in the knowledge that they will not be running tombolas or asked to provide sweets (or probably grapes these days) in a jar. (It'll be worth coming just to discuss possible logos reflecting the new name....)

After many years of tremendous and enormously-appreciated service to the PTFA and now PIG, Jenny Sanders and Anita Hill will be stepping down as Chair and Treasurer at the AGM in October (Wednesday 3rd, 6.30 pm!). This is because their children have grown and will have flown from Clyst Vale at the end of this school year. If anyone is interested in taking these roles on, or cautiously exploring what they entail, please let Jenny know via jls.sanders@btinternet.com.

There is a draft programme of events for next year: PIG activity will be based around a series of parents' information presentations: provisionally, these will be on the College ethos and Rights Respecting School Award, mental health, careers, internet safety, food/catering, and curriculum discussions. Clearly, there will be flexibility as a year is a long time in a school, and issues wax and wane in importance, while new things often pop up. The PIG will continue to support the annual Carol Service, and will scale down fund-raising to one or two bigger events with one fund-raising project in mind.

Smartphones and Uniform

Apologies if you already know this, but my contact with parents this week suggests that the message has not reached everyone. From September, smartphones and any device capable of accessing the internet are not permitted during the College day, from the moment of arrival on site until 3.20 pm. This includes breaks and lunchtimes. On uniform, please see the website for details; the changes affect all year groups, including Year 10 going into Year 11.

Attendance

One area where we really need maximum parental support is that of attendance. You'll see that this is a major issue flagged in the Ofsted letter, and one we have to improve significantly, starting immediately. Our overall attendance is around 93.6%. Superficially, that doesn't seem too bad, until you realise that the national average is 94.6%, and Clyst Vale is hardly in an area of deprivation and challenging social problems: we should be hitting 95% as a minimum. 95% attendance on an individual level means that a student has missed the equivalent of a day every four weeks, or 9.5 days a year. Obviously, this covers a few coughs and colds, but equally obviously any ten-day holiday automatically puts a child below the individual, College and national expectations.

Possibly more shocking is that one in six Clyst Vale students is a persistent absentee. This does not match the general profile of our students (or parents). A persistent absentee is a student who has 90% attendance or below. This means they have missed 19 days, or 38 sessions (morning and afternoon registration) in an academic year. Once 38 sessions have been clocked up, there is nothing anyone can do to stop that student being a persistent absentee.

There are many things which we shall be doing to improve attendance. We will reinstate one point of contact for phoning in the morning; we will be engaging more with parents of students who are persistently late with no good reason; we will no longer authorise holiday requests; more positively, we will be stressing the importance of good attendance with students and seeking to engage with parents more positively as well as having to tighten up; we will clearly strengthen our tracking of attendance so that support and interventions can be made earlier. We will also apply common sense; we know buses sometimes run late; we know there seems to be one set of inconvenient roadworks somewhere in our catchment on any given day; we know that students who are infectious need another 24 hours at home. However, in the coming months we will be working with everyone to ensure the best possible attendance and your support will be crucial in this.

Exams

For most of Year 11, GCSEs are now over. There are Graphic Products and two Further Maths exams next week, and clearly A-level exams continue until June 26th. So, although the site is much easier to manage, we are still in the exam season. Year 11 students who have finished their exams for some reason generally don't want to come back to College, but if they have a genuine reason they must sign in at reception and obtain a visitor's badge (coming to see their mates at lunchtime is not a genuine reason...). As I said, not completely finished, but an interim massive "thank you" to candidates for their behaviour in the exam room, to all other students for their respect in keeping quiet, to parents for all your support and encouragement, and to my colleagues for an unbelievable amount of hard work and nervous energy.



Dr Bawn

June Marketing **BULLETIN**

Hi we're Caterlink, your college caterer. June is month of offers, promotions and events for you. In June there's National Picnic Week, Chocolate Pudding Day and your In Season Food Hero is... Tomato!



Food Hero Tomato

Did you know that while Tomatoes are botanically berry - type fruits, they are considered a vegetables as an ingredient. Tomatoes are a member of the nightshade family along with aubergines, peppers & chillis and will feature in lots of recipes this month - hot and cold.



National Chocolate Pudding Day

National Chocolate Pudding Day offers a perfect excuse for you to indulge yourself with some delicious chocolate pudding. This unusual holiday is a great occasion for chocolate pudding enthusiasts and chocolate pudding lovers alike.



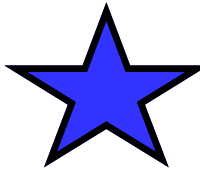
National Picnic Week

National Picnic Week takes place this June across the UK, so grab your 'blankets and baskets' and keep an eye out for some traditional summer favourites.

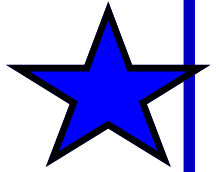


Destination Greece

Greek cookery makes wide use of vegetables, olive oil, grains, fish and meat. Other important ingredients include olives, cheese, lemon juice, herbs, bread and yoghurt. We will introduce students to a broad range of Greek foods this month. Help you get into that holiday feeling!



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL

7REW	Reese Aldridge & Polly Hurren
7RTMA	Harvey Tarrant & Freya Berrisford
8RCJ	Emma Gold & Jed Rogers
8RCM	Dan Roach & Clementine Wild
9RZB	Matthew Pike & Maisy Cromwell
10RAR	Jasmine Daniels & James Maloney
10RLA	Jasmin Collins-Board & Harlan Nicholas

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YRB	Freya Butler
7YKHO	Lucy Emeleus
8YMBR	Jack Galliford
8YJPU	Emily Kellaway
9YMM	Tom Davey & Will Blum
9YZK	Natasha Barley & Brooklyn Roberti
10YMHI	Lucia Boyden
10YSP	Aaron Young, Jack Wright & Rachel Champion

GREEN SCHOOL

7GGT	Charlie Harrison & Amelia Palmer
7GDJ	Chris Johnson & Maddie Grabham
8GHE	Riley Beer & Noah Jackson
8GIM	Ryan Greenaway & Bethy Lawrence
10GABR	Dylan Cosslett, Kiera Raynor-Johnson, Zoe Atkins, Tyler Hole & Cameron Morley
10GBA	Jake Bauer & Poppy Neville

Cone it @ Clyst Vale
Your Favourites All Wrapped Up
 Monday the 11th June 2018

Only £1.80

Full of flavour, great, fresh, hot food on the go!

Why don't you grab & go with a cone?

Pizza cone with all your favourite fillings!



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CVCC Inter School Football World Cup (Years 7-10)

Boys' Tournament: w/c June 25-29

Girls' Tournament: w/c July 2-6

By Invitation Only

5/6 teams per School = 16 teams in total

A member of staff to manage/oversee each team from same school

8 boys & 8 girls from each School/Year to be involved

Y12 CSLA students to officiate

Group Stages

1 game on Monday Lunchtime

2 games on Tuesday Lunchtime

Quarter Finals: Wednesday Lunchtime

Semi Finals: Thursday Lunchtime

Final/Bronze Medal Matches: Friday Lunchtime

MORE INFORMATION TO BE POSTED SOON

Lunch Clubs - Monday - Wednesday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Mon	Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Mon	Year 7, 8 & 9 Boys Cricket	Lunchtime	Tennis Courts	Sports Hall	Mr Pearce
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Year 8 Girls' Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Needs
Mon	Year 9 Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Mon	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Mon	Invasion of the Pawn Snatchers Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Foulds
Mon	B&V Year 11 Religion Unit	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Tues	Year 10 & 11 GCSE History Catch Up	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Tues	Year 11 GCSE Food Revision	Lunchtime	DT4		Mrs Crook
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Tues	Year 9 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Miss Bennett
Tues	All Years Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tues	Year 9, 10 & 11 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Tues	Year 10 & 11 Dance/Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliott
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Gardening Club	Lunchtime	by Science garden		Miss Morgan
Tues	Year 11 B&V Thematic Unit	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tues	All Years Tennis	Lunchtime	Tennis Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 9 B&V	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Wed	Year 7, 8 & 9 Dance/Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Wed	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers room		Mrs Bennett
Wed	Year 11 Maths Higher	1.30pm to 2pm	MA4		Ms Prance
Wed	Year 11 Maths Higher Foundation	1.30pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barratt
Wed	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Walton
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Miss Shire
Wed	All Years Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Needs/Mr Everett
Wed	Year 10 Food Practical Session	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook

Lunch Clubs - Thurs - Fri

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	Drama Rehearsals/Drop In Sessions	Lunchtime	PA1		Ms Bowring
Thurs	Year 9, 10 & 11 Softball	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Year 8, 9 & 10 Girls Cricket	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Thurs	GCSE Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thurs	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Thurs	Year 7 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Elliott
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Child Development/Health & Social Care Catch Up	Lunchtime	VO2		Mrs Bennett/Ms Chandler
Thurs	Film Club	1.40pm	HU5		Ms Matthews
Thurs	Year 13 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU2		Mrs Battishill
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 B&V	1.35pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Fri	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	Year 11 GCSE PE Revision/Catch Up	Lunchtime	PE5		Mr Powell
Fri	Various Years Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Miss Shire/Mrs Elliot/Mr Everett
					Miss Cranston/Mr Johnston
Fri	Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Fri	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers Room		Mrs Bennett
Fri	Year 7 - 11 Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Miss Shire/Mrs Elliot
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Fri	Year 9 B&V Drop In	Lunchtime	HU2		Mrs Battishill
Fri	Year 11 Physics Revision	Lunchtime	SC1		Mr Pearce

CALENDAR DATES

Tues 19 June	Y12 Biology Field Trip - Dawlish Warren
Wed 27 June	7.00 Y13 Prom
Thurs 28 June - Mon 2 July	Y13 DofE Gold Assessed Expedition - Brecon
Fri 29 June	7.00 Y11 Prom
Wed 4 - Fri 6 July	New Intake Days
Mon 9 July	6.00 New Intake Parents' Evening
Tues 10 July	Sports Day
Fri 13 July	Reserve Sports Day
Sun 15 - Wed 18 July	Y8 Bude Residential
Wed 18 July - Fri 20 July	Belgium Residential
Wed 18 July - Sat 21 July	Y12 DofE Gold Practice Expedition - Dartmoor
Fri 20 July	Last day of Summer Term
AUTUMN TERM 2018	
Wed 5 Sept	Start of Autumn Term
Mon 22 Oct - Fri 26 Oct	Autumn Half Term
Fri 21 December 2018	Last day of Autumn Term
Mon 7 January 2019	Start of Spring Term
Mon 18 - Fri 22 Feb 2019	Spring Half Term
Fri 5 April 2019	Last day of Spring Term
Wed 24 April 2019	Start of Summer Term
Mon 6 May 2019	Bank Holiday
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May 2019	Summer Half Term
Fri 19 July 2019	Last day of Summer 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

Yellow School: Claire Turner (01392 463914; turnerc@clystvale.org)

Green School: Catherine Prunty (01392 463913; pruntyc@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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