





No. 497 w/c Monday 4 January 2016 will be Week B

Dear Parents/Carers

Carol Service

Thank you to everyone who came to last night's Carol Service in Whimple. I think the Carol Service gets better every year: the quality of readings and musical items was excellent, and it was fantastic to see how much some students had grown and developed as musicians since last year. The organisation was slick, and there was a great atmosphere. The mince pies and mulled wine tasted better than ever, too. I noticed a particularly supportive "team ethic" among the students, which was brilliant, and certainly contributed to a very lively and celebratory evening.

Recognising Achievements

On the website you will see photos of the GCSE Awards Evening, and the winners of the Clyst Vale Annual Awards. As a College, we are clearly delighted to recognise academic achievement, progress, and the wider contributions that students make. We are also keen to recognise a wider range of students. This week, for example, each of the four Schools has held a special "unsung heroes" event for those students who are consistently good role-models for others, get on with life without complaining, are always prepared to volunteer, and in many ways are the backbone of the College. Another example is the list of students in this Newsletter; there is one per tutor group, identified by their tutor as the student who has displayed the strongest positive character traits this term: this could be resilience, leadership, or a contribution to community. Through the Character Education Project, we have been able to reward these students with a WH Smith token, presented at today's end-of-term assembly. There are literally hundreds of fantastic young people at Clyst Vale, and it is important that we recognise more than just the high achievers and our best performers, sportsmen and women.

"Be Seen, Be Safe"

This was a road safety campaign from years ago, but it is very relevant today. Students who are walking on badly lit lanes without pavements, including Station Road, are putting themselves at risk. The solutions are obvious: wear something reflective or high-visibility, wear some light clothing, and use a torch or the torch facility on a mobile phone. This is one of those messages which needs constant reinforcement from home as well as school.

Dementia Training

Our Sixth formers had a thought-provoking and engaging presentation on dementia, led by David Berenski of Green Tree Court Nursing Home, which specialises in dementia. This may seem a gloomy topic, but far from it — there was a strong focus on supporting the individual as a person, and the case studies presented were uplifting. Dementia is, of course, a growing issue in the population, with many myths which the talk helped to dispel. As a follow-on, Year 13 Health & Social Care students will visit Green Tree Court to see dementia care in action, and spend some time with residents.

Staff Changes: Best Wishes to Mr Birch!

Mr Birch is retiring from Clyst Vale after 32 years and one term. During that time, he has taught English, Media Studies, Communication Studies and Careers Education to literally thousands of young people. He has also held a number of positions of responsibility, including Careers Coordinator, and has been instrumental in the success of our work experience and enterprise education, recognised by our Investor in Careers and Investors in Work-Related Learning kitemarks. Mr Birch has also been a senior examiner with AQA for many years, and this experience has been of great benefit to the English team and thereby students. He has been an exceptional and popular colleague, and after 32 years the place will seem very strange without him. He has brought forward his retirement for family reasons, and we wish him well.

Also leaving to travel is Zenna Tagney, Art Technician, and similarly we wish her well for the next stage in her life.

Thank You

Thank you to parents and carers for your support this term. As I said, the vast majority of our students are fantastic young people, and the foundations for this were laid long before they joined Clyst Vale. That said, your interest in your child's education, your support for us over uniform, your communication over absence and family issues, not to mention your taxi service, all contribute to our successes and reputation as a College. Thank you again, and best wishes for the Christmas Holiday and for a Happy New Year!

Dr Bawn

Year 10 Work Experience 2016 - Monday July 11th - Friday July 15th

A reminder that Year 10 students need to be looking to secure their Work Experience placements. Students can use the website www.devonlearnaboutwork.org and log in using the username: Clyst Student and PIN:2016. The website has a search facilty so that potential employers can be contacted. The database is not entirely accurate and has some flaws but it is a good way to begin tracking down placements. The companies listed are not offering placements but have had students in the past. Students will need to telephone or email and enquire about a placement.

Any student who needs help should go to the Careers Centre or ask their tutor for help.

Mr Birch

Character Education Project

The following students have been identified by their tutors as displaying particularly strong character traits this term. Each student's parent/carers will receive an individual letter explaining the reasons for the award. The one thing that all students have in common is that they are a credit to themselves, their families, and to the College.

Dr Bawn

	Student		
7GAP	Elijah Holding		
7RZB	Aubrey Perkins		
7SAO	Megan Newbery		
7YME	Daisy Norris		
7YPG	Tom Slugget		
8GABr	Barnaby Bilton		
8GTGa	Jack Lockett		
8RAR	Jasmine Daniels		
8SLA	Hannah Hewald		
8YJCo	George Hooper		
8YJC	Dylan Mizon		
9GSW	Owen Elliott		
9RDH	Freya Morrow		
9RGG	Mia Hart		
9SNG	Tom Rush		
9SNS	Chloe Darde		
9YMPr	Ellen Blacker		
10GGT	Emer Cunningham		
10RTMa	Jake Faulkner		
10RMHi	Angel Tucker		
10SDJ	Amelia Hopkinson		
10SSG	Robert Stone		
10YCW	Sophie Wallis		
11GPE	Charlie Baggs		
11GIQ	Kristian Tyrrell		
11RBA	Hannah Ebdon		
11SMBr	Jess Randall-Johnson		
11YSP	Joachim Boyden		
11YJPu	Alexa Tipper		



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



SILVER SCHOOL

7SAO Megan Newbery

10SDJ Daisy Lugg

10SSG Rosie Martin

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YPG Charlotte Lacey

8YJC Hebe Poole

8YJCO Maddie Knight

9YMPR Alex Deacon

10YCW Peter Feehan

11YJPU Katie Rea

RED SCHOOL

10RTMA Katey Johnson





Public Consultation

School Admission Arrangements

for state-funded schools 2017-18 and Education Travel Arrangements 2016-17

1 December 2015 to 31 January 2016

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

To view the proposals and to make comments on them, please visit:

www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements or call My Devon on 0345 155 1019 for a paper version.

SPORTS NEWS

Year 11 Netball Match v King's. Lost 21- 14. Player of the Match: Emily Pring

Floodlights were needed for Clyst Vale's match against King's, as it was already dark when the girls went out to warm up. It was raining lightly, and after carrying out a safety check the match outside went ahead. Clyst Vale started off with little energy and enthusiasm, however after King's scored the first two goals, Clyst Vale got their heads in the game, and began to mark tightly, and stick very close to their players. King's GA had great agility, therefore Clyst Vale's GD, Jess Randall-Johnson, had to match this. Emily Pring jumped for every rebound, claiming about 50% of them, turning over the ball, and giving it back to her team. Lots of play went on in King's D, however in the second quarter the game changed, and more play began to happen in the mid court, where Lily Collins-Board was relied on massively. Lily is not a usual member of the team, but she made a massive effort and contribution to the game, making great interceptions, turning over the ball and returning it to the D. Emma Dixon made a huge impact on the game, scoring five goals in the first half of the match. In the third quarter, Jess Randall-Johnson began to take control on the court, giving clear and concise directions for the other players to follow to improve their performance, as she had a clear overview of the whole court. In the final quarter of the game, Emily Pring made great interceptions of the ball, and defended her third amazingly. Due to her defence, Clyst Vale caught up with King's, leading to a close final result.

Year 10 Netball Match v King's Player of the Match: Maddy Ross

A rainy dark night set the scene for the evening's match. Clyst Vale started off strongly, taking control of the court and claiming the first goal of the match. The defence combination of Rosie Martin and Maddy Ross worked very well, as both players were very active, battling hard in the D. Jess Pascoe's and Evie Wragg's movement at the attacking end of the court resulted in a lead in the first half, with a score at 8-9. CV were playing well, however King's stepped up their game, speeding up the game and using their agility to their advantage. CV needed to slow down their play, and make their passes more accurate and look for spaces, using the whole width of the court. To adapt to the weather, CV's girls began to shorten their paces, to ensure they were accurate and fast in order to gain back the lead. After a very aggressive second half of the match, Clyst Vale began to slacken, and their quality of play worsened. Their heads and moral were down, resulting in a loss for Clyst Vale.

Year 10 Hockey Match v St Peter's Player of the Match: Aubrey Perkin

After their training started in October, Clyst Vale's team of various age groups put out an 11 a side squad for a match against St Peter's in December, with the addition of James Selley-Steer and Aubrey Perkin in Year 7. As hockey is not taught in some PE lessons, some students played their first match and thrived on the experience. Tom Bradner lead the team out and injured Chris Perry coached the squad from the side lines. St Peter's took the lead by two goals, so Paddy Gray upped his game, dominating the backs and getting the ball out wide to the safe hands of John Madams.

In the second half of the game, Clyst Vale fought hard with a great goalmouth scramble leading to Rosie Martin scoring the next goal. CV's possession was much stronger and they dominated lots of attacks, marginally missing out on scoring a goal. The final score was 3-1 to St Peter's. Clyst Vale are already looking forward to their rematch in the New Year.

Extra Curricular Clubs and Activities

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing	Teacher
Mon	Minecraft for Girls/IT Girls Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mrs Higginson
Mon	Music Club	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Art Club	1.30 - 2.15	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Mon	B&V 'help clinic'	1.30pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Mon	School Newspaper (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	EN5		Miss Haynes
Mon	Year 11 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8, MA5 & MA4		Miss Barrett/Mrs Adie & Mrs Prance
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Miss Borny
Mon	Badminton (Year 7)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Mon	Netball (Year 9 & 10)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Broomfield & Mrs Needs
Mon	Rugby (Year 9)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Football (Year 7 & 8)	1.35pm	Field Studio	New Block New Block	Mr Everett Mrs Elliot
Mon Mon	Dance (All Years) Into The Woods Rehearsals	1.35pm 1.45pm - 2.15pm	Studio	New Block	Miss Williams
Mon	GCSE Work (Drama)	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tue	IT Club/Robots	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Tue	Textiles Club	Lunchtime	DT4		Miss Webber
Tue	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tue	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Tue	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Miss Borny
Tue	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Miss Manaton
Tue	Basketball (Year 8 & 9)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tue	Netball (Year 8)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Elliot
Tue	Rugby (Year 7 & 8)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tue	GCSE Work (Drama)	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tue	Gardening/Eco Club	1.40pm	SC7		Science Techs
Tue	Ten Tors (Year 9 and above)	Lunchtime	IT1		Mr Eales
Tue	B&V KS3 Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tue	STEM (FULL)	Lunchtime	DT2		Mr Hewlett
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Music Club	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Nurses Office-P16		Miss Borny
Wed	Year 7 & 8 Maths	Lunchtime	MA7		Miss Mann
Wed	Year 9 Maths	Lunchtime	MA6		Miss Gale
Wed B	GCSE Food Practical Catch Up A Level Dance (Post 16)	1.25pm to 2.15pm	DT4	Now Block	Miss Fraser-Roe
Wed Wed	Netball (Year 11 & Post 16)	1.35pm 1.35pm	Dance Studio Courts	New Block Sports Hall	Miss Arnold Mrs Broomfield & Mrs Carnall
Wed	Rugby (Year 10 & 11)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce & Mr Gibson
Wed	Football (Year 9)	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Wed	Into The Wood Rehearsals	1.45pm to 2.15pm	Tield	THEW BIOCK	Miss Williams
Wed	Into The Wood Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Thur	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thur	Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Thur	Games Club (Year 7 & 8)	1.25pm to 2pm	EN6		Miss Quick
Thur	B&V Revision (Year 11)	1.30pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thur	Hula Hoop Club	1.30pm	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Miss Borny
Thur	Netball (Year 7)	1.35pm	Courts	Sports Hall	Mrs Needs
Thur	Basketball (Year 10, 11 & Post 16)	1.35pm	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thur	Weights (Year 10, 11 & Post 16)	1.35pm	Dance Studio	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thur	STEM (Full)	Lunchtime	DT2		Mr Hewlett
Thur	Year 11 GCSE	Lunchtime	PE5		Mrs Broomfield
Thur	Into The Woods Rehearsals	1.45pm - 2.15pm			Miss Williams
Thur	Into The Woods Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3	-	Mr Bailey
Fri	Staff IT Club/IT HW Help	Lunchtime	IT5	-	Mrs Higginson
Fri	Art Club	1.30pm to 2.15pm	AR3	1	Mrs Pieczenko
Fri	Music Club	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2	1	Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Into The Woods Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1	Consultation	Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Inter Tutor (Year 7 - 11)	1.35pm	Various	Sports Hall	Mr Peace & Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Football - Year 10A v Year 11B	1.35pm	Field	New Block	Mr Everett & Mr Pearce
Eri	Football - Year 11A v Post 16	Lunchtime	Courts	Post 16 Plant	Vicky Carnall
Fri Fri	Netball (Post 16) Hockey (all years/girls and boys)	Lunchtime Lunchtime	Courts Sports Hall	Post 16 Block	Vicky Carnall Mrs James
Fri	B&V KS4 Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1	 	Miss Brotherton
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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: Anita Perram (01392 463906; perrama@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

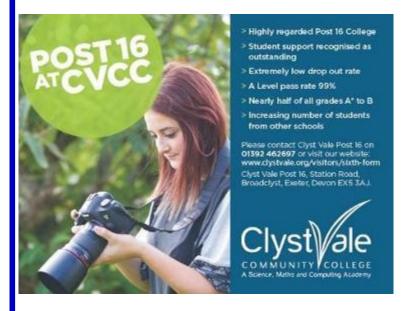
School Transport

- 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

CALIENDAR DATIES 2015-16

Monday 4 January 2016	First day of Spring Term	
Saturday 9 January	Ten Tors Walk 3	
Tuesday 12 January	Y10 Parents' Evening	4.30pm - 7pm
Tuesday 26 January	Y11 Parents' Evening	4.30pm - 7pm
Friday 29 January	Y11 Freestyle Photos	
Saturday 30 - Sunday 31 January	Ten Tors Weekend 1	
Tuesday 9 February	Y9 Options Evening	4.30pm
Friday 12 February	Non-uniform Day	
Monday 15 - Friday 19 February 2016	Spring Half Term	
Thursday 25 February	Y9 Parents' Evening	4.30pm - 7pm
Thursday 24 March 2016	Last day of Spring Term	
Tuesday 12 April 2016	Start of Summer Term	
Monday 30 May - Friday 3 June 2016	Summer Half Term	
Wednesday 20 July 2016	Last day of Summer Term	



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